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# SHEPHERD NEWS

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## GROUND RULES

These rules apply to all handlers during training sessions and have been formulated for the welfare of you and your dog.

Any Club member, or any person guilty of unseemly conduct or acts harmful to the club, may be asked to leave the Training area. They may also be dealt with by the Committee of The GSDC of S A Inc. under clause 6, and relative by-laws of the Clubs Constitution.

Any dog which is sick WILL NOT be permitted onto the Club grounds.

Dogs who have suffered a CONTAGIOUS DISEASE WILL NOT be allowed on to the grounds until 5 weeks after being cleared by a veterinarian (a vets certificate may be required). Puppies should not be brought out onto the Club grounds under the age of 8 weeks or at least 2 weeks after they have been inoculated for

HEPATITIS, DISTEMPER AND PARVOVIRUS ( vaccination certificate may be required).

Bitches in season are not permitted on the grounds unless at a recognised Club event.

The use of switches, spiked collars or whips is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN ON THE CLUB GROUNDS.

Members shall not treat their dog in a manner which may reflect badly on the Club.

Dogs are NOT to be taken off-lead or left unattended, except on the directives, or under the supervision of a Class Instructor.

The handlers of dogs which foul the Club grounds, will be responsible for cleaning up same, with the equipment provided.

The Head Instructor has the authority to permit the use of a muzzle or training devices, as required in special cases. The use of the equipment is to be under supervision, and its use on the grounds, other than above, is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.

Dogs under the age of 12 months ARE NOT permitted to use jump equipment higher than 400 mm, or longer than 800 mm.

Pursuant of the Health act "Dogs" ARE NOT permitted inside the Clubrooms.

In the interest of safety and health, and in consideration of others, parents are required to supervise the behaviour of their children. The Clubrooms and Toilets MUST NOT be used as playing areas.

In the interests of public health the Clubrooms and the verandah area are NON-SMOKING areas.

### TRAINING HEAT POLICY

If the forecast temperature is predicted to be 38 degrees or above on channel 9 weather at 6pm the night before training, (Wednesday nights or Sunday's), all training will be cancelled.

Appropriate foot wear must be worn at ALL times when handling / double handling dogs on the Club grounds. Bare feet, thongs, slip on shoes, high heels, sandals or crocs are not suitable foot wear and members wearing any of the above will be asked to leave the training area.

## THANK YOU!

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# President's Report

## John De Lucia

I would like to welcome everyone back from the Christmas break and trust that your break was both enjoyable and relaxing.

I would like to sincerely thank Charlie Van Groen for painting the inside of the kitchen area and main hall and to the helpers of Tony and Anna Shoemaker along with Peter Flynn. These members had already made a start to painting the club rooms and are now in the process of finishing off. I am sure you will all agree that they have made a huge difference to the appearance of our club rooms and join me in thanking them for their time and efforts.

The Presentation night was a huge success judging by the reports from those who attended. It was a fantastic venue and enjoyable evening with the best part being that we did not have to clear away or clean up. There is merit in holding an event such as this away from the club in order that the same group of people aren't left with the setting up and cleaning up and gives them a well deserved break.

Just a reminder that when the weather is warm to look after your dogs at home and when travelling in a vehicle keep them cool and have plenty of fresh water.

Unfortunately we have had a member breeder who has had parvo virus in their kennels so this serves as a timely reminder for all pet owners to keep your vaccinations up to date and watch when out and about with young animals visiting public places or even when people come to visit you in your own home.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the new year.

John De Lucia

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# From the Editor...

## Heidi De Luca

It has been a busy few months behind the scenes, some of you may notice the transformation of the clubrooms. A huge thank you to the driving forces behind this and for getting in there and doing it.

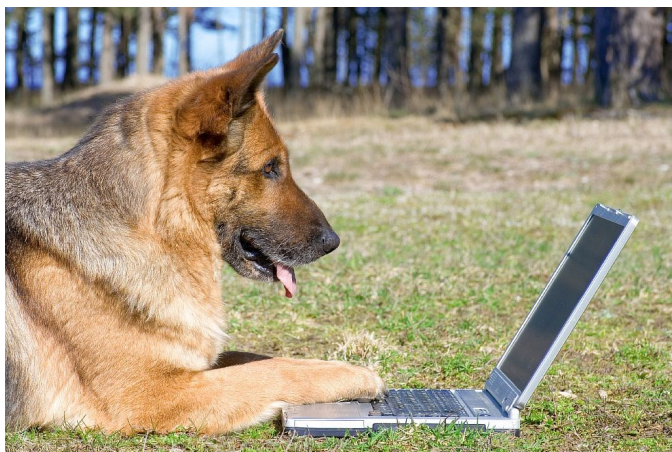
The website is also under going a make over– stay tuned.

My sincere apology to Jenny De Lucia who submitted her annual report which was omitted from the annual report and so appears in this edition. Jean Butterfield's breed survey report for 2013 which was received after the printing deadline also appears in this edition.

I have a few corrections to the awards, titles and certificates information provided in the annual report. Vonrauten Schon should read Vonrauten Schone, apologies James. We got a little ahead of ourselves, Pauline Spear hasn't quite achieved her CD title with San Rancho Jagged Edge CCD– good luck in 2014. Pauline Spear and Zeus achieved their basic obedience certificate– well done.

I hope you have all had an enjoyable break and good luck with you endeavours in 2014.

Heidi De Luca



<b>August</b>		
Sunday 10th	Balmead Obedience Trial	
Sunday 17th	Members Competition	Judge: Ms Melissa Lloyd SA
<b>September</b>		
Sunday 7th	NO TRAINING	Father's Day
Sunday 14th	Shannon Double Agility Trial	9am and not before 1pm start times.
Tuesday 30th	End of club financial year	
<b>October</b>		
Sunday 19th	Members Competition	Judge Mr Peter Cocks SA
Sunday 26th	Breed Survey	12pm start
Friday 31st	Membership Renewal	Last day to pay
<b>November</b>		
Saturday 8th	Open Show	Judge to be confirmed
Friday 14th or 21st November	GSDC of SA AGM	8pm at the clubrooms.

## **BREED SURVEY**

**“PEDIGREE PARK” WEST BEACH**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2014**

Commencing at 12.00 noon

**All entry fees & documentation MUST be received by close of training (12.00 noon) on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014**

Documents required are -

Completed Breed Survey Application Form (GSDCA BS1)  
Five (5) generation pedigree  
Copy of ANKC pedigree  
Copy of HD & ED results  
Copy of Haemophilia results (if applicable)

**PLEASE NOTE** – Originals of the ANKC pedigree and HD & ED results **MUST** be brought to the survey and sighted by the surveyor.

# WHAT'S ON

<b>January</b>		
Sunday 12th	Puppy Day	Starts at 11am, free BBQ, please bring a salad
Wednesday 29th	Training commences	7:00pm Obedience 7:30pm Show
<b>February</b>		
Sunday 2nd	Training commences  Ballarat Dog Club Inc Championship Show	9:30am Obedience    10:30am Show  Judge– Mr Andrew Thor NSW
Saturday 8th	GSDCA 53rd National Council AGM	Grand Chifley Adelaide, 208 South Terrace, Adelaide
Sunday 9th	GSDCA 53rd National Council AGM	Grand Chifley Adelaide, 208 South Terrace, Adelaide
Saturday 15th	Members Competition	Judge Mr John Fenner WA Starts at 6pm at club grounds
Sunday 16th	Breed Seminar	Presented by Ms Joyelene Neddermeyer commencing at 1pm at the club rooms.
Sunday 23rd	Breed Survey	Starts at 12pm
<b>March</b>		
8th & 9th	GSDCV Championship Show	Judge Mr Malcolm Griffiths– England Schedule available on website
<b>April</b>		
Saturday 6th	ADWDC Show	
<b>May</b>		
Sunday 11th	Breed Survey	Starts at 12pm (Mother's Day) NO TRAINING
Friday 16th	National GSD Show & Trial	42nd National Show and Trial, Canberra ACT
Saturday 17th	National GSD Show & Trial	42nd National Show and Trial, Canberra ACT
Sunday 18th	National GSD Show & Trial	42nd National Show and Trial, Canberra ACT
<b>June</b>		
Saturday 7th	Championship Show	
Sunday 8th	Championship show	
Saturday 21st	Endurance Test	
<b>July</b>		
Saturday 5th	Double Agility Trial	9 am and not before 1 pm start times.
Sunday 20th	Breed Survey	12pm start

## PUBLIC RELATIONS/ MINUTES SECRETARY ANNUAL REPORT

**Jenny De Lucia**

Towards the middle of this year, I volunteered to come onto the committee to fill the vacant committee position in whatever capacity I was needed.

The Portfolio given to me was that of Public Relations, a position which I am familiar with as I have held this position for several years' running when I served on the committee previously. I deemed it necessary to also offer my services as Minute Secretary which was granted and gratefully accepted by the Hon. Secretary, Doug West.

As I have only held this committee position since June of this year, there is not a great deal to report to our members.

I have prepared articles for printing in the Quarterly National Review concerning Police Dog Koda and the Totally Wild segment which was aired on Channel 10 recently. I have also prepared a short article for the Club News component of the Quarterly National Review which should be received by the members towards the end of this year.

I will be running an instructors course for the two interested club members this year and I sincerely thank them for their enthusiasm in helping out the club in this way and wish them every success and enjoyment.

Wishing all members and their families a very Merry Christmas and prosperous 2014.

Jenny H. De Lucia

## **BREED SURVEYS Year 2012 to 2013**

The Club held five surveys during this calendar year including a National Show Survey, they were held in October 2012, February 2013, April 2013, May 2013 (National) and July 2013.

At the October 21st 2012 survey 3 animals were entered. Of the three animals presented to the survey all females the following classifications were awarded.

2 Class 2 Females SC

1 Class 1 Female LSC

At the February 24th 2013 survey 12 animals were entered 5 male and 7 females. Of the twelve animals presented to the survey the following classifications were awarded.

4 Class 1 Male.

3 Class 1 Females

1 Class 1 LSC

4 Class 2 Females

At the April 28th 2013 survey 10 animals were entered 2 male and 8 females. Of the ten Animals presented to the survey the following classifications were awarded.

1 Class 2 Male

3 Class 1 Females

1 Fail

3 Class 2 Females

1 withdrawn

1 Fail

At the May 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 National Survey 2 animals were entered 2 females. Of the two animals presented to the survey the following classifications were awarded.

1 Class 1 Female

1 Fail

At the July 21st 2013 survey 5 animals were entered 1 male and 4 females. Of two animals presented to the survey the following classifications were awarded.

1 Male Fail

1 Class 1 Female

3 Females withdrawn

Total animals Entered = 32

Total animals Classified = 24

Total withdrawn = 4

Total fail = 4

This represents a slight increase in numbers from 2012 (28 dogs) and decrease of 2011 (51 dogs).

Generally in all dog activities we have seen a decrease in numbers so it is pleasing to see that the numbers going through survey this year have been equivalent to past years.

I have listed for your information previous years of entries Year 2010 (22) Year 2009 (42) Year 2008 (31) Year 2007 (28) Year 2006 (28)

This has been the first year that Long Stock Coats have had the opportunity to be present



**GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

**PRESENTS A BREED SEMINAR ON GERMAN SHEPHERD DOGS**

**SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> February 2014**

**Commencing at 1.00pm**

**GSDCA Clubrooms, West Beach**

- **POWER POINT PRESENTATION ON CURRENT STUD DOGS OF BOTH VARIETIES, THEIR BLOODLINES AND PROGENY STATISTICS**

- **OVERVIEW OF THE 2013 SIEGER SHOW**

**PRESENTED BY – MRS. JOYLENE NEDDERMEYER**

**National Breed Commission Chairman  
German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia**

**BBQ lunch at 12.30pm – gold coin donation**



# STUD DOG DIRECTORY

## CONTINUED

**\*Odin Delle Terra Matildiche 'a'  
Normal ED Norml H Neg (Imp Italy)**

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This has been the first year that Long Stock Coats have had the opportunity to be presented to survey. This year one LSC Male and one LSC Female. This was an history making year for the breed of Long Stock Coats.

I give thanks to all of you for your continued support of the National Council Scheme.

I personally would like to thank everyone who has assisted in any way at the surveys this year in the setting up for the survey or with the assistance with the final pencilling, your support is invaluable and I thank you all for your efforts, and look forward to your continued support in the future.

**Jean Butterfield**

SA State Breed Survey Registrar

## Hip and Elbow Results

Congratulations to the owners and breeders of the following animals who successfully gained their A Z stamps

Gilarisha Running Bear A Z

Gilarisha Pocket Rocket A Z

Gilarisha Ldyprimadonnaprincess A Z

Gilarisha Right on Q A Z

Please forward results to the Secretary for your animal's results to be published in the Shepherd News



# Treasurer's Report

Peter Flynn



## 2012/13 Financial Report – Update

Following the AGM there were some outstanding questions from the Treasurer's report.

### Detail of NBC Expenses

NBC Expenses	\$
<b><i>Future Directions Workshop</i></b>	
Airfare to Melbourne	\$ 482.00
Catering	\$ 178.00
Accommodation	\$ 574.90
Total FDW	\$ 1,234.90
<b><i>NBC</i></b>	
Airfare to Sydney	\$ 304.49
Catering	\$ 130.00
Accommodation	\$ 463.24
Total NBC	\$ 897.73
Prepaid AGM Conf Room	\$ 594.00
Total	\$ 2,726.63

The Prepaid AGM expenses are for the hire of conference room for the GSDCA AGM which will be held in 2014 in Adelaide. The hosting club pays for the venue. This expense should have been classified as GSDCA-AGM Expense.

### Tattoo Income

There is Tattoo Income shown in the report of \$704.00. It is shown on the wrong line (one down) in the report as "Tattoo ink/equipment".

If any members have any further questions please contact me via email

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Peter Flynn, Hon Treasurer, GSDC of SA

### **\*Focus Von der Piste Trophe** (a) Normal: ED Normal SchH1 IOP3 (Imp Deu)

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Normal: ED Normal.

Dam:V2 Godalis Hera KK1: SchH1 HD  
Normal: ED Normal

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H1 (Imp Gmy)

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## **Shepherd News Change from 2014**

The Shepherd News is currently published five to six times a year plus one report for the Annual Reports for the Annual General Meeting. For 2012/13 financial year the club paid \$4,956 for the year for printing and \$1150 for postage which was donated in the last financial year, totalling \$6,106 for the year. This equates to approximately \$873.00 per print for 2012/2013.

The main purpose of the Shepherd News is to:

- Promote the breeding, training, and exhibiting of the German Shepherd Dog in accordance with the standards set by the club.
- Educate and encourage members to abide by the required breed standards of the German Shepherd Dog as approved by German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia.
- A tool for Committee position holders to keep members informed on activities within their respective portfolios.
- Keep members informed on upcoming club events.

The Shepherd News has a proud history of meeting its purpose above, but the reality is that by the time the information is gathered and formatted by the Editor and then printed much of the information contained is outdated. With the new Club Website, information is usually uploaded on a minimum of a weekly basis.

As such the club will be moving away from publishing and distributing the Shepherd News in a hardcopy format. From 2014 the Shepherd News shall be published as an "E-News" format (i.e. In PDF) and will be distributed via email. For members that still want a hardcopy, on written request an A4 hard copy will be available at the club rooms for pick-up. If a member requires a hardcopy to be posted then a postage charge will apply (\$ to be determined). For non-active Pensioner members on approval by Committee a hard copy will be posted for no charge.

The Annual Report will still be printed and distributed by hard copy.

The Club is expecting to save in the order of \$3,000 - \$4,000 with this change, which we can use to invest in upgrading the Club Website (e.g. Payment online for membership, show and obedience entries) and improvements in club property.

# Secretary's Report

## Doug West

The year started with Puppy Socialisation Day on the 12th January, this is for puppies under 9 Months of age, the theme is to close the gates and release the puppies off their leads & to run free to have a good time meeting all the other puppies.

First Wednesday Night Training at 7:30pm is 29th January 2014 & the First Sunday Morning Training 9:30am is Feb 2nd 2014. Don't forget Training is only available to Financial Members, if you haven't Renewed your Membership from 2013, it has lapsed, and you will be required to pay a rejoining fee of \$30 on top of the annual fee.

This year the German Shepherd Dog Club of South Australia is hosting the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia's 53rd AGM on 8th & 9th Feb 2014 at the Grand Chifley Hotel, 208 South Terrace, Adelaide, so here is your opportunity to see how the system works.

The SA Club along with all the other States are affiliated with the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia, and every year the AGM is held in alternative States this gives each State the opportunity to host the AGM, and also gives the local Club Members the opportunity to attend, so come along as a observer and see what your Club delegate does over the weekend. Apart from being the SA Clubs Hon. Secretary I'm also the GSDCA National Hip & Elbow Control Scheme Registrar & I have not missed a meeting in 16 years.

Some coming events apart from above:

Feb 15th Members Competition

Feb 16th BREED SEMINAR- to be conducted by Joylene Neddermeyer 1:00pm

Feb 23rd Breed Survey 12 midday

Ref to the Calendar of Events inside for more.

The Canteen has been serving fantastic coffee due to Salvatore organising the new machine from Monjava coffee, we have had this for the past year or so and it's certainly a big improvement on instant coffee.

The year is ahead of us, and as responsible owners we need to ensure our dogs are under control at all times, and that we don't allow our dog to bring the Club or the Breed into disrepute. Training for both Show & Obedience is available at the Club Grounds to all Members so take advantage of it.

Happy New Year, don't forget your dog wants to please you, so all you need to do is to show him what you require from him!

Doug West Hon. Secretary

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## From the Second Vice President

**Salvatore Pittelli**

Happy New Year to all our German Shepherd Club of SA members.

As the nominated 2nd Vice President (Breed Affairs) in 2012, it is with pleasure that I provide you with my first report for the year 2014.

Please note that Show training will resume on the 29 of January and I believe that we will all be ready for this after our break for the festive season. Although January is nearer a close, we still have a lot of hot weather in front of us, therefore I take this opportunity to remind all our members the importance of ensuring that our beautiful dogs are taken care of whilst they are being worked in the summer months as it doesn't take much for dogs to become dehydrated and distressed during the hot weather.

As all members are aware we seem to constantly have to deal with our share of media negativity towards dogs in general, therefore I urge all members to continue to support our club breeding practice .  
Please view our club website, [www.gsdcса.org.au](http://www.gsdcса.org.au). for more info on Breeding Practice.

There has been numerous correspondence and discussions pertaining to "Interbreeding Stockcoat German Shepherd with a Long Stockcoat German Shepherd" - in relation to this matter I would suggest that we follow the S.V. rules and regulations as they spent a considerable amount of time on this matter taking into consideration various aspects prior to making such ruling.

We will be holding three Member's Competition, one Championship Show and one Open Show during the 2014 year. For all show and show training dates, please visit our club website [www.gsdcса.org.au](http://www.gsdcса.org.au).

I look forward to providing you updates throughout the year on behalf of the committee and take this opportunity to wish you a successful year with your dogs!!

**ENTRIES CLOSE Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 12 noon**  
**NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

**26<sup>TH</sup> MEMBERS SPECIALITY COMPETITION**  
**"PEDIGREE PARK" WEST BEACH**

**JUDGE : MR JOHN FENNER (WA)**

The club reserves the right to appoint a reserve judge if necessary

**SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2014 COMMENCING AT 6-00 PM**

**CLASSES & ORDER OF JUDGING —**

LSC bitches (classes 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 11a), Best LSC bitch followed by

LSC dogs (classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11), Best LSC dog followed by

SC bitches (classes 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 11a), Best SC bitch followed by

SC dogs (classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11), Best SC dog.

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO GRADING CERTIFICATES & SHOW RECORD BOOK**

**SASHES & TROPHIES** — 1st place in each class; Best Bitch and Best Dog for each "Breed".

**GRADINGS** — Awarded at the judges' discretion in all classes. Excellent medallions will be awarded only in the Open classes if the animal has been successfully Breed Surveyed Class 1 or Class 2 and is over 24 months of age. All Show Record Books will be completed for animals competing in the adult classes. Grading Certificates available automatically for all Baby, Minor & Puppy classes; **ONLY available on request** for Junior, Intermediate & Open classes. Please **VISIBLY** request on entry form if grading certificate for adult classes required.

**CRITIQUES** — Available in Junior, Intermediate & Open classes.

**ENTRY FEES** — Baby, Minor & Puppy classes - Initial entry \$15-00 (includes catalogue).  
Subsequent entries \$10-00.

Junior, Intermediate & Open classes - Initial entry \$23-00 (includes catalogue).  
Subsequent entries \$18-00.

**ENTRIES TO : *The Show Secretary, GSDC of SA Inc, GPO Box 1421, Adelaide SA 5001***

Please make cheques payable to the GSDC of SA Inc. Credit card payments only accepted in person at the club. Non-members to pay double the entry fee. Interstate competitors given Hon Membership for this event. Separate entry form for each class. Please ensure that the "breed" is stated on entry form e.g. German Shepherd Dog – Stock Coat or German Shepherd Dog – Long Stock Coat and all titles, pedigree names, registration numbers and full details of sire & dam are shown on entry form.

**NO CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS AWARDED &**

**NO INTERSEX OR INTER "BREED" COMPETITION AT THIS SHOW**

Any person double handling at this fixture does so at their own risk. The GSDC of SA accepts no responsibility for any injury that may occur while double handling.

**PRESIDENT'S YOUTH TROPHY COMPETITION**  
**(INCORPORATING GSDCA JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP AWARD)**

**JUDGE : MISS TORI HAYNES**

Entries taken on the day. To be judged during the lunch break. Medallions (donated by Alimanda Kennels) will be presented in the clubrooms at the conclusion of all judging.

**Classes :** 7 to under 10 years; 10 to under 13 years; 13 to under 18 years

**All children must have control of the animal they are exhibiting.** If any child cannot solely control (hold) the animal they are exhibiting they may be asked to leave the ring.

**No adults will be permitted in the ring.**

'WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DOG BITES'? Is it a combination of all the above? Are there other reasons? (I know there are.) The ones I have listed are in my opinion some of the most important.

If you own a dog, LOVE IT, TREAT IT AS A PART OF YOUR FAMILY, BUT NEVER LOSE SIGHT OF THE FACT IT IS A CREATURE OF THE WILD.

We accept the responsibility of having children. We don't always like what they may do, but we do what we can to alter the things we can, guide them, love them, and try to Understand them. Lets try doing that with our family extension 'OUR DOG'.

Val Bonney. (Canine Behavioural Specialist/International Trainer.)

Author :- "WHO'S THE BOSS"? & its Sequel "ARE YOU STILL THE BOSS"? The newest book in the trilogy will be released in June, 2013. "Hey Baby – Who's the Boss"? The book to bring peace, harmony and safety to new babies, toddlers, and dogs.

**The books all dog owners should have. D.V.D.'s**

Basic **dog obedience and puppy pet or pest?**

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**Tails are wagging.....**

"The website looks a little strange".... Yes it is undergoing a facelift.

Congratulations to the southern breeder on her "you will not be going out on New Year's Eve litter". All went well until the last three decided they did not want to party by themselves. Mother and babies all doing well.

One lucky northern breeder scored big time again this Christmas.... Her husband has received many marriage proposals since...

Dementia is setting in for two Club life members who forgot it was New Year's Eve.

Betting on the Point Score for 2013/14 is being considered. The odds may be extremely short!

Seems like the constabulary members of our Club are New Year's Eve Grinch's.... guess that they see the worst of it on the night.



Would never take all four dogs to an off leash area and let them loose at the same time. They would pack and could cause trouble. Know your dogs.

When a dog fight occurs between say two or three dogs, should another dog, or person try to interfere and get involved, all the initial fighting dogs will turn and attack the dog/person who is trying to interfere. This is a natural instinct of the dog. NEVER INTERFERE PERSONALLY IN A DOG FIGHT. YOU WILL GET BITTEN. Even if you own one of the dogs, that same dog in the heat of the fight, will turn and attack along with the others, anyone or anything who at that precise time, becomes an interloper.. Dogs can be very territorial especially when they are in prey mode (fight). If we understand this, then there may be fewer bites.

We need to be aware that a dogs teeth and claws hurt just as much in Fun as they do in Anger. Many young children get bitten by family pets when the children are allowed to play with the dog UNSUPERVISED. Especially an untrained dog, but even training doesn't always stop this happening. Children run and get excited; they yell and make a large noise. That's okay. That is normal for the young child. BUT when you allow the child out there to run with the dog, then we may have a problem. Children are excited, Dog gets excited, children's hands and arms are moving around in a flaying manner. He is going to grab at the arm. or anywhere else it can get hold of. This is not done to be nasty or to hurt, but in FUN. (Dog is a natural predator remember) He loves the chase. However, what we now have is a little child crying and hurt by their family pet. How many dogs get euthanized because this has happened? With a little more care and more education about the dog, this would not be happening. (Tether the dog away from the children while they play and teach the children to stay away from the dog while he is tethered.) No chance of anything happening then. It is a very common problem, and can be solved very quickly. This type of accident doesn't happen when it is explained to parents with young children when they first bring their very small puppies together with their young children, to well conducted Puppy Management Classes. Between the ages of 8 to 16 weeks is when the puppy is most receptive to the information you wish to give it and to teach it home manners. TEACH IT, THIS IS HOW TO LIVE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN TOTAL HARMONY.

INDISCRIMINATE BREEDING. When people breed indiscriminately with their dogs, we now have thousands of cross breeds circulating throughout our society. I am not against cross bred dogs, I do have to wonder however why people do this. Raising a litter of puppies is not easy. Is it the money they make from selling them that is the drawcard? With dogs which are crossbred you now have dogs who themselves can be totally mixed up temperament wise. They may have herding instincts mixed up with guarding and hunting instincts. Their temperament could be totally unsound. Pups from these litters get sold at Markets, Pet Shops Newspaper Adds, and anywhere else you care to look. People have a tendency to impulse buy. No real thought is given to the things we have previously spoken about. It's not surprising that many of these pups as they mature can be found in refuges. People either don't want them anymore, or they regret they ever bought them, or the dog is not as easy to handle as they thought it would be, or the whole family work and cannot give the dog the attention it requires. So sad for the dog.

There is so much more that can be written but I guess I have to cut off somewhere.

# PRESENTATION NIGHT 2013

## Lockely's Hotel.



President's Youth Handler  
Trophy Winners

Top: Isabella De Lucia  
Left: Bree Hansen



Other awards recipients from left, Martin Kimpton  
James Wissell and Andrew Skipper



Ingrid Hanegreefs, Robert  
MacPherson



More photos on the website under the social side tab. Many thanks to Ian and Marilyn Cooke for the photos

## **GSDCSA SHOW RECORD BOOK**

The 2014 calendar show year will be a “trial” year for the “GSDC of SA Show Record Book” at Member’s Competitions only. These will be provided initially one per exhibitor and initially free of charge (any replacements will incur a \$5-00 fee).

As 2014 is a trial year, only animals exhibited in the adult classes (Junior, Intermediate & Open) will be provided with a Record Book. The Record Book will contain all an animal’s details/information and provide room for it to be updated as needed. An example is below.

At the first Member’s Competition for 2014 exhibitors will be provided with a Record Book for each animal that is entered in the Junior, Intermediate and Open classes. Exhibitors, please bring the originals of pedigrees, HD/ED and Breed Survey certificates for each of these adult animals to the first member’s competition so the details in the Record Book can be verified and signed by a Breed Surveyor or Judge.

At future 2014 Member’s Competitions the Record Book will be handed over to the show secretary when collecting your vests. The judge will sign the books after the show and they will then be available for collection at presentation.

Grading certificates will still be done automatically for Baby, Minor & Puppy classes, however will **ONLY** be done upon request for the adult classes.

THE REQUEST FOR A GRADING CERTIFICATE FOR ANIMALS ENTERED IN JUNIOR, INTERMEDIATE & OPEN CLASSES **MUST** BE DONE ON THE ENTRY FORM AND BE CLEARLY VISIBLE – SUGGEST IN RED INK OR HIGHLIGHTED ie **Grading Certificate required**. If grading certificates for adult animals are not requested on the entry form they will **NOT** automatically be done and therefore will not be signed by the judge.

Information on this document has been placed on the club’s website home page—more of the layout is on display.

require an immediate correction for acting in such a Wolf like manner. If a dog is not made aware that there is an ALPHA (YOU) in his pack, then he will very quickly take on that role of top dog. A dog living in the wild and misbehaving within the pack structure, is immediately and often severely reprimanded by the lead dog. It is a just punishment, and the dog accepts it without hesitation. If in our domestic situation this distinction between ignoring & time to reprimand is not made then trouble will follow. Trainers/Instructors should not leave their clients with the idea you never correct you just ignore, then the problems we have will continue to escalate at an alarming rate. This is proving to be the case at the moment.

**DOGS THEMSELVES**:- Some dogs are born with genetic problems and really should never make it out of the first couple of weeks of its life. Human beings however, being the compassionate creatures we are, continually try to save the little, possibly neglected one in the pack. If Mum ignores a pup and will not feed it or look after it she often has very good reasons. She knows there is something possibly wrong with this puppy. If it was born in the wild, it would be allowed to pass quietly away. A Lioness will often push her cubs over a small bank just not long after they are born. She will then sit at the top of the bank and watches these little things endeavour to make their way back up to her. She will wait all day if necessary, but if one cub can’t make it, she will walk away and leave it. She knows its chance of survival in the wild is negligible. As Human Beings we find this difficult to accept. It is not our way. It is however the way of the wild. Remember our domestic pets stem from this heritage, and they have inbred in them all these perfectly normal instincts. **WHY DO WE KEEP INTERFERING?** Most Breeders try very hard to do the right thing by their Breed, and the people who purchase them. They won’t breed from dogs who show tendencies to be aggressive, or which show other non acceptable traits. In the main they really try very hard to maintain excellent standards.

Puppies born of aggressive parents are more often than not aggressive themselves. Ask question when you purchase your puppy. Find out what the parents of the puppy are like. Don’t take a puppy with genetic problems. Choose your puppy wisely and with care.

**COUNCIL REGISTRATION**:-Perhaps it is time that the method of registration for dogs by Councils was changed. Don’t register the dog. How about registering the owner to own certain breeds of dogs.

Why don’t we have to apply for permission to own a dog.? We have to apply to drive a car. Is a car any more lethal than the wrong dog in the wrong hands? We have to take lessons to learn how to drive the car? Why don’t we apply to a panel of people who understand dogs, who can assess whether or not we are capable of handling the dog we think we would like to own. Many questions can be asked. Should we have to reapply every couple of years? Are we fenced.? Will we take it to a reputable trainer? Will we try to Understand the psychology of the dog.? How many dogs should we be allowed to own. I personally have a harbouring permit to own four dogs, but I am very aware that two (2) or more dogs make a pack of their own. Often one dog will encourage another dog to misbehave, and it is interesting to note how many dog bites there are that are caused by more than one dog being involved. Should the number of dogs allowed per family be limited, especially to the novice owner. I am wise enough to walk one dog at a time.

OBEDIENCE TRAINING. All dogs need to be given obedience training. This should be mandatory. It should be for every dog, not just the large ones, and it should start early. While we say we give the dog the training, good trainers and instructors are really people training. We teach the owner how to handle the dog. If the psychology of the dog is included with this training, then trainers are doing a good job. If however, which so often happens Understanding the dog and what makes it tick, is not included in the training curriculum. then the job is only half done. DOG TRAINING IS A PEOPLE TRAINING INDUSTRY AND IS A SPECIALIST FIELD.

There is a tendency in the training industry at the moment to use different approaches to what was considered the established method for over 60 years of Praise & Reprimand. These methods proved very successful, but as we move into a different century, then we need to look for alternative or additional methods. There are many new ways of doing things today, and while many prove very successful, it doesn't mean that the older ways should be cast aside. They too have their place. Some of the "new methods" are in actual fact old methods couched in different terms. Silent whistles (only the dog can hear them) have been and are still used for many working dogs, Voice sounds, Clickers, tins with stones in them, chains with sound devices on them, have all been used at different times over many years, but are being reintroduced into our current systems of teaching and that is fine. After all there are many new Trainers/Instructors out there who have never seen or heard of some of the older methods of teaching.

The biggest problem I see, is that many are now teaching the general public who attend their classes that understanding Pack Structure is not important. They are teaching a method of never using a correction/reprimand ever. on the dog.. People are being taught "You never correct the dog".. You PRAISE the dog when it does something right, and IGNORE it when it does something you don't like or you consider is wrong. This has become very popular in many areas and with a number of trainers and instructors. Are they wrong? You decide.

While I understand using this method of training works with some animals particularly mammals ,it does leave a wide gap with the training of the dog. You don't take Dolphins, Sea Lions and other Mammals home to live with you in your domestic environment. Do you? They stay in their environment, are trained there, and work there and their trainers are amazing, but they are not dogs. They are totally different species.

While I thoroughly agree with PRAISING (Motivating is the word most currently used) for correct responses, and with the idea you can IGNORE certain behaviour while you are teaching a new exercise and the dog doesn't get it right(These are accepted as being the right way to go by most trainers), I find it irresponsible that people are not being taught that there is a cut of point for just ignoring an issue

When a dog shows a tendency to want to control the owner, it is now time to give the dog an instant reprimand and mean it. How can you ignore the dog who growls, snarls, bites when it is told to do something. How can you just ignore the dog that has no home manners? Who rushes through the doorway, knocks you down the steps, takes over your favourite chair and wont get off. Where has your control gone? Actions like these

OFFICIAL SHOW RECORD GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG

DOGS NAME <i>(do not include titles)</i>		ARKAHLA WALTZING MATILDA				For Australian results show scores. For overseas results show letters eg a N, ED NN etc			
VARIETY	Stock Coat	SEX		Female		HIP STATUS		ELBOW STATUS	
DOB	7/11/10	MICROCHIP NO		N/A		A	8 : 1	Z	0 : 0
TATTOO NO <i>(if present)</i>	KAH 149	ANKC REG NO		5100061563		a	N/A	ED	N/A
BREEDERS NAME	WJ & Mrs JD O'Loughlin					VERIFICATION OF HD/ED STATUS A Breed Surveyor to sign below that the scores for Hips and Elbows are correctly shown above.			
VERIFICATION OF PEDIGREE INFORMATION A Breed Surveyor to sign that the information from the original pedigree is correctly shown above.									
NAME			DATE		SIGNATURE				
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BREED SURVEY CLASSIFICATION A Breed Surveyor to sign; certifying that the above animal has been successfully Breed Surveyed.						NAME		DATE	
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People who handle dogs all the time are very aware of what they have. For example:- A working sheep or cattle dog is very rarely kept as a family pet. He is fed, and cared for because he is a working tool. If he fails at his job then he is of no further use to his owner., and yet we place this hard working breed into a backyard situation and expect it to be happy lying about. People who work and train dogs never lose sight of what makes a dog tick. People compete with dogs in many areas, and I am sure if you ask someone who is a very good handler, they will tell you how important it is to understand the dog they are working with. To understand the dogs instincts.

Education is an absolute necessity if we are to live in harmony with our family pets, and yet it is an area that has been sadly neglected over recent years. Understanding what makes the dog tick, has to be a subject taught to all prospective dog owners if our present problems are to be eradicated. It takes time. It will continue to take time. It will take a change of attitude by many owners towards owning and living with a dog. The idea that you just have a dog, put it in the back yard and forget about it has to be eliminated. The dog needs to be a part of your pack (your family) if it is ever to reach its full potential, especially if it is meant to be a family pet, or competition dog. Buying or being given a dog is not something we should decide on easily. Type (Breed) of dog has to be taken into consideration. Families should discuss this well before any decisions are made. Can we all agree as a family on size, Breed length of coat, boundaries to be given to the dog, feeding, housing, and general welfare of the pooch must be decided before the dog come to live with us. Have we made the decision jointly that this new family member will attend Obedience Management Classes as soon as possible.?

To own a dog is a huge responsibility, and it is approx. a 12 to 15 year commitment, not to be undertaken lightly or thoughtlessly. It should be a total pleasure to own this extension to our family and not something we dread. Not everyone is cut out to be a dog owner. That's not something to be ashamed of. That's life.

A dog sometimes becomes an extension of the owner's personality. The macho person, wants a macho image dog, so they go for the stronger more dominant Breed, and encourage it to become arrogant, Dominant and often aggressive. This if quite often the dog which causes problems to neighbours and others. Show me an arrogant, abusive person with a dog, and I am sure I would find the dog is exactly the same. This macho thinking needs to stop, but human nature being what it is, this is a difficult area of ownership to either deal with or control. It is usually this type of owner who never takes their dog for training. They may let their partners go but they do not consider it a necessity and so it is often a waste of time, as their personal attitude comes through both to partner, and dog. This person often has a lot to answer for. Many others put human connotation on the dog. They ANTHROPOMORPHISE IT. (Humanise). This also causes huge problems. Especially, believe it or not, with the smaller, cuddly breeds. People forget or don't know that this little creature has the same brain capacity and instincts as its larger cousins. It's bite just happens to be smaller, but no less painful or destructive. You very rarely hear about the smaller dogs bites. They don't tend to make headlines, but they occur with regularity, really more often than the larger ones we hear about. The sad part about this is, that the owner really loves the dog too much, and have no actual control.

## **“WHO” OR “WHAT” IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DOG BITES”?**

Who is responsible for the dog bites that are occurring? Is it the Dogs themselves? Is it the owners? Is it the Trainers/Clubs who are training the dogs? Is it the Breeders? Is it those who breed indiscriminately who just let their dog have a litter of cross breeds?. Is it a total lack of Education about what it means to own a dog? Is it irresponsibility of parents? Do they allow children to tease or otherwise provoke the dog? Is it Councils and their attitude? WHO IS RESPONSIBLE.? There are so many possibilities I can't answer them all here. Where does the blame lie.

I have been asked to write this, but it is not an easy question to answer, and it doesn't matter what I say, some people are going to disagree somewhere along the line, so all I can do is to write it as I personally see it. I apologise in advance if I upset anyone, this is not my intent, but this problem has become huge, and is not just going to go away. It is going to get worse before it gets better and the one who ultimately suffers is the Dog.

A person who gets badly bitten by a dog suffers great trauma. Not only pain from the actual bite, but mental anguish. Some never really recover emotionally from a serious bite. It stays with them for the rest of their lives. This is not acceptable in our society. We have to try to do something about it. While it may seem unfair to say when someone is suffering from a bite, it needs to be said and thought about. Children particularly often through their ignorance or dogs, cause the bite to happen. Teasing, coming in at dogs eye level, stepping into a dogs territory and other things can cause this problem. Children should always be supervised around dogs, especially if they are entering someone else's property where a dog resides. Perhaps some parents have to be held accountable.

I believe we have lost sight of the fact that a dog is a CANINE. It is not a HUMAN Being. It doesn't Think, Talk, Walk, Eat like us. It is not a person dressed up like a dog.. It is and always has been and always will be a “Wolf” in Dogs Clothing, with over 20,000 years of Heritage and Instinct which says” WOLF”. Primary Instincts are to “FIGHT, FLIGHT, BITE & HUNT. and all dogs are accepted as being descended from the Wolf and are therefore natural predators. Would you without hesitation take a Wolf into your home?

Over the years we have domesticated the dog and made it a part of our family situation. We have created different Breeds used for different reasons. We have the Herders, the Hunters, the Guard, the Utility dogs used for different types of work. We use them in service work Police, Corrective Services, Drug Detection, Bomb Detection, Search & Rescue, Therapy work, to name but a few. Dogs have more than proved their worth over the years to mankind. They make a great companion. However we should never lose sight of the fact that the dog is a PACK ANIMAL with all its heritage & instincts still in place. We need more Education about owning a dog and how to help it to live with us as a part of our family. We need to be in control of a dog at all times, and to do this we need to understand the way it thinks, and the way it reacts to certain different stimuli. We need to have respect for the dog, and it certainly must have respect for us

Start looking for someone who can supply you with this education..

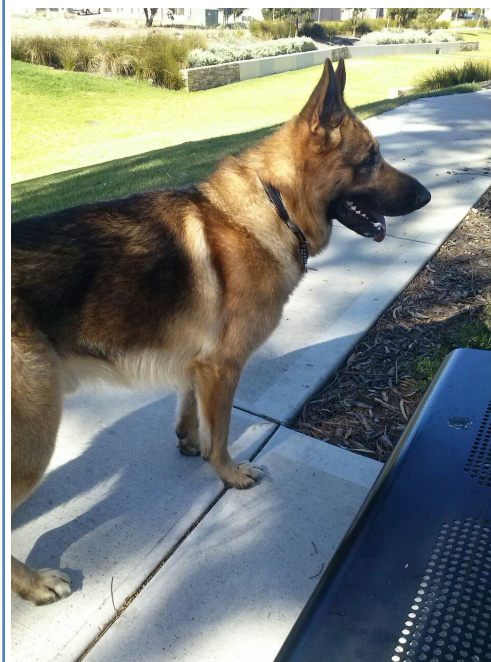
## **53<sup>RD</sup> AGM OF THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INC**

**8 & 9 FEBRUARY 2014, GRAND CHIFLEY ADELAIDE, 208 SOUTH TERRACE, ADELAIDE**

For members wishing to attend the Council AGM please go to the Club website <http://www.gsdcsa.org.au/> and then select the GSDCA Communication link in the menu. The Agenda and supporting documents are available to download. For those wishing to attend the meeting as observers/visitors, to book catering for the meeting and/or book for the Saturday night dinner please download the Booking Form and complete as appropriate.

If you do not wish to pay for the catering package you still need to respond to ensure that a seat is available for you at the meeting. For further details or enquires please contact Val Moody, Secretary at [secretary@gsdcouncilaustralia.org](mailto:secretary@gsdcouncilaustralia.org) before **Friday 24 January 2013**.

### **LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME**



My name is Indo. I am a 3 year old sable German Shepherd in need of a new home.

My hobbies are chasing soccer ball and fetching stick.

I posses excellent temperament, and I am great with children, adults and other dogs.

Please call 0434570222 for more information.

Indo is vaccinated, de-wormed, and health checked regularly at Noah's crossing Vet.

# Celebrating Four Generations of membership in 2013

In 2013 the Garvican/Evans family are celebrating 4 generations of membership with our club. While we can't confirm they are the only family with 4 generations of membership as records of this type have not been kept, we felt it was a worthy of celebrating.

Hugh Garvican a Life Member joined the GSDC of SA in January 1971. Hugh was a group 5 and GSD specialist judge and breed surveryor. Dawn Evans (Nee Garvican) joined as an adult member in 1978. Dawn has serviced on the committee, been a stenographer and currently helps as the typist for the breed survey book. Nikita Evans joined in 2013, her son Noah joined in 2011.

*I thought it would be worth finding a little about the Garvican/Evans family so here's how German Shepherds came into their lives and some of their favourite memories.*

Hugh's first German Shepherd (Alsatian) was in 1952. The dog was pure-bred. Hugh bought the dog for five shillings which equalled two weeks pay - Hugh was eleven and worked as a grocery delivery boy riding a bicycle. Hugh's mother sold "Peter" three weeks later for one pound. Hugh didn't get any money from the false sale of his dog by his mother.

The Garvican family bought 'Rinty of Phoenix' dob 17.5.1961 - Rinty was an Avon Prince of Alumvale grandson. He was pure white with black points - i.e. nose, nails and eyes. He had one stud and litter to an American white bitch but was not interested in stud work - he preferred his 'family' life with Hugh, June, Dawn & Tracy. Rinty was Dawn's very first dog and Rinty was very faithful and loyal to her. Rinty and Dawn were inseparable. Dawn was not bullied as Rinty was almost always at her side. At one stage Dawn took advantage of this and started demanding to play with other kids' toys - this was quickly nipped in the bud by Hugh - Dawn, Rinty and the kids on street all got along thereafter. Rinty was killed about 18 months before we emigrated to Australia.



Dawn with Rinty of Phoenix



Hugh with Tandina Mollie

Hugh and June purchased Brendeter Gallant Reb once in Australia. Hugh entered Rebel in the 1972 National in both conformation and obedience. Rebel was entered in Intermediate Dog class - the judge described Rebel as "Lot lot" - translation "far too heavy". Rebel did however excel in the obedience - winning the highest score and helping secure the SA team with the "Team Trophy"! Rebel was a Champion and earned CD.

In 1976 Tandina Mollie from Intermediate bitch class won the 'Gold Medal' at the National.

Robert's and Dawn's first date was on the night after Jurgen Neddermeyer judged in late August/early September 1983. They married in April 1984. Robert and Dawn delayed their marriage by one week to attend the 1984 National held in Adelaide. Herr Jochmann (Judge) attended their wedding.

We have many wonderful memories of our past dogs and family, each enjoying each others company - one particular incident comes to mind however. When Robert and Dawn brought Nikita home after her birth, Dawn was worried how the dogs would react to a baby as none of the dogs had encountered one before. They didn't have a change table and changed Nikita's nappies on the floor in her bedroom. Cloth nappies were the norm. Dawn changed Nik's nappy while Leberhine Reza cleaned the soiled one...UGH. A special bond was formed between Reza and Nikita.

Great-grandson, grandson, son, Noah loves the Shepherds. His favourite was Fly boy. They grew up together and Noah would always give Fly some of his lollies, biscuit or food. They had mutual respect and love.

*I was curious as to what the family loves about our breed.*

German Shepherds are very intelligent, noble, faithful, one of the few beautiful looking dogs in the conformation ring, very versatile in what they do within the community i.e. working with the blind, sniffer dogs, bomb disposal etc.; German Shepherds can do numerous things but first and foremost they are the BEST addition to any family who takes the time and makes an effort to make it one.

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\*Ch Leberhine Fly

