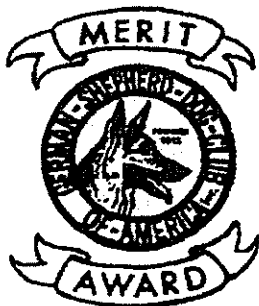


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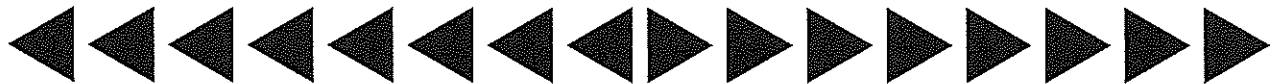
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Don't forget the big AKC Conformation Shows & Trials coming up for us & the GSDC of Greater Cincinnati over Memorial Day Week-End, May 23-26th-see page 2 for more details! See You at the Shows!

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German Shepherds Rule while other Dogs Drool!

The German Shepherd Dog Club of Central Ohio, Inc.

Great Lakes Futurity Weekend!



GSDC of Greater Cincinnati Friday May 23

Indoor All Breed Obedience & All Breed Rally
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Outdoor Conformation & Jr Showmanship

AM Show

Helen Gleason

PM Show

Peggy Kurz

Monday May 26

Great Lakes Futurity

Futurity/Maturity: **Sharon Avery**

Amateur Futurity/Maturity: **Leslie Beccia**

Location:

Blue Ribbon Dog Training Academy

3548 Jackson Pike

Williamsburg, OH 45176

(Nearby hotels: Days Inn East, I275 & Rt 125
exit 65, Holiday Inn, I275 & Rt 32 exit 63B,
Motel 6, I275 & Rt 125 exit 65,
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Show Secretary: Karen Ellis Huneke

PO Box 826, Xenia, OH 45385

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GSDC of Central Ohio Sunday May 25

Outdoor Conformation

AM Show

Ed Barritt

PM Show

Ken Rayner Jr

Location:

Best Western Columbus North

888 E Dublin Granville Rd

Columbus, OH 43302

616-888-8230

(Additional hotels nearby will be listed in the
premium list, but please try to stay at the
Best Western so we can continue to use their
grounds.)

Show Secretary: Kathi Jo Zornes

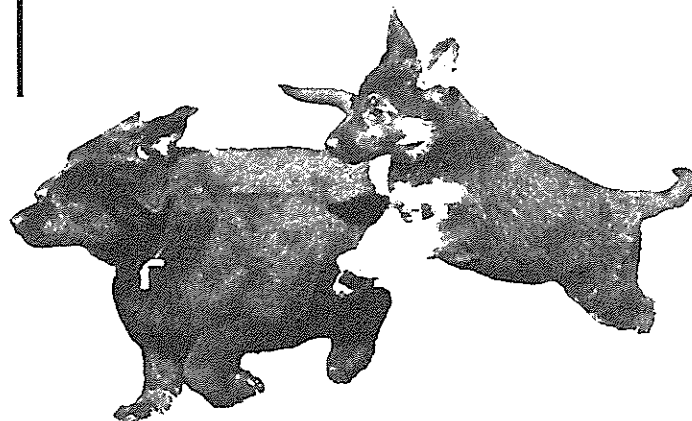
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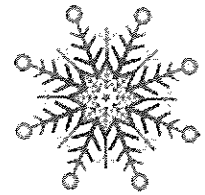
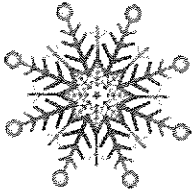
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Every effort was made to hold the Sunday
GSDC of Central Ohio at the same site as the
Futurity, but it proved impossible without
losing our date to an all breed club. Please
support both clubs specialties by making the
short trip between Cincinnati and Columbus.





**GSDC OF CENTRAL OHIO, INC. AWARDS
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2013**

The party was held at Max & Ermas on Hamilton Road. There were eight members and one associate in attendance.

Secretary gave brief report. Trophies were sent to COKC for supported entry for November 17 show, and we received a check for \$20 for dogs entered. AKC was contacted again and confirmed losing our date in Columbus if we moved our show to Cincinnati site. That information was forwarded to Dottie Bowman.

After our meal, the following plaque was awarded:

KING'S DA BOMB, CGC New Titles: Novice Agility Standard, Open Agility, Novice Jumpers With Weaves, Open Agility Jumpers, Excellent Agility
Owner: Marcy Wright

The following plaque awards will be handed out later:

**CH LAUGH AND THE WHOLE WORLD LAUGHS OF EDAN New Title:
Grand Champion**
Owner: Jon White

**Windfall's Mr. Huckabee, C.D., R.N. T.C., HIC: New Titles: Companion Dog
Excellent, Graduate Novice**
Owner: Carolyn Farmer

The following certificate awards will be given later:

**FALKE'S BLADE VOM MITTELWEST, UD
U.R.O.C. & /U.R.X. (UKC Rally titles)**
Owner: Beverly Mills

COLONEL CHARLES BECKWITH, Honorary GSD, New Title: Therapy Dog
Owner: Kathi Jo Zornes

Following the awards announcements, there was a dog gift exchange.

Respectfully Submitted
Rosemary Booth
Secretary/Awards

Prepping For the Show Circuit: Smart Traveling w/ Your German Shepherd Dog

Taking your GSD along can make the family vacation or the show circuit can be fun, if you plan carefully. Here are some trip tips to make traveling with your dog enjoyable.

Health and Safety

- Health Checks. Bring your dog to the vet's for a check up before going on an extended trip. Make sure all his vaccinations are up to date; shot records with you. Health certifications are required for airline travel.
- To keep your dog healthy as you travel, bring along a supply of his regular food and some local, or bottled, water. Be sure to bring any medications he needs.

Crates

A crate is an excellent way to keep your dog safe in the car, and is required for airline travel. It can also keep your pet from getting into trouble in a hotel or at your host's home. Crates are available from most pet supply stores. Look for these features when purchasing:

- Large enough to allow the dog to stand, turn and lie down.
- Strong, with handles and grips, and free of interior protrusions.
- Leak-proof bottom covered with absorbent material.
- Ventilation on opposing sides, with exterior rims or knobs to prevent blocked airflow.
- "Live Animal" label, arrows upright, with owner's name, address and phone number.
- Stock the crate with a comfortable mat, your dog's favorite toy, and a water bottle.

Identification

In the event that your dog gets away from you on your trip or you get pulled over by a State Trooper, you can increase the chances of recovery and less headache by making sure you have the following things:

- Make sure your dog has a sturdy leash and collar without damage spots. The collar should have identification tags with the dog's name, your name, and your home phone number, and your CELL PHONE number (since you ARE traveling and probably won't be home for people to call if they find your dog while abroad).
- Consider a permanent form of identification for your GSD, such as a microchip or tattoo in the right ear.
- Bring a recent picture of your dog along with you as well as a copy of **all** of your health paperwork showing your dog is up to date on all its vaccinations [NEVER bring originals with you]. Some states require a **health certificate** in order to cross state lines with a dog, so be sure to check with the state that you plan on attending and the states you may cross en route to find out whether or not you should have a health certificate with you when you travel. A health certificate is considered good when ground traveling for 30 days, but only good for 14 days when flying.

Traveling by Car

- Get your dog used to the car by letting him sit in it with you without leaving the driveway, and then going for short rides.
- Avoid car sickness by letting your dog travel on an empty stomach. However, make sure he has plenty of water at

all times. You can also use Dramamine in extreme cases.

- Keep the car well-ventilated. If the dog is in a crate, make sure that fresh air can flow into the crate.
- Do not let your dog ride with his head sticking out of an open window. This can lead to eye injuries.
- Never let your German Shepherd ride in the back of an open truck. This is *extremely* dangerous and can lead to severe injuries or death.
- Stop frequently for exercise and potty breaks. Be responsible- clean up after your dog. Make sure you have plenty of poo bags with you before you leave your residence.
- Car rides are boring for everyone, so instruct your children not to tease or annoy the dog in the car.
- Never, ever leave your dog unattended in a closed vehicle, particularly in the summer. See Summer Safety Tips for more information. If you must leave the car, designate a member of the family to stay with the dog.

By Plane

- Each airline has its own set of rules for canine air travel. You should call for information and make arrangements well in advance of your trip.
- All airlines require health certifications and proof of vaccinations.
- Some airlines will not transport animals when it is extremely hot or cold. Be sure to check ahead!
- Dogs **must** be in an airline-approved crate when transported as cargo. Small dogs may ride under the seat in a crate or carrier.

Lodging

- Find out in advance which hotels or motels at your destination or on your route allow dogs. Many do not, or have size or breed restrictions.
- If your dog is allowed to stay at a hotel, respect other guests, staff and the property.
- Keep your dog as quiet as possible.
- Do not leave the dog unattended. Many dogs will bark or destroy property if left alone in a strange place.
- Ask the management where you should walk your dog, and pick up after him. Do not leave any mess behind.
- Remember that one bad experience with a dog guest may prompt the hotel management to refuse to allow any dogs. Be considerate of others and leave your room and the grounds in good condition.

Article taken in part from the AKC at

w/additional info from your editor, Kathi Jo Zornes.



IN MEMORIUM

Ollie Kimerling Conti

(October 10, 1921 - August 24, 2013)



Ollie was a lifetime member of the German Shepherd Dog Club Of Central Ohio, Inc. and a 50-year member of the German Shepherd Dog Club Of America. Ollie's passion in life was her German shepherd interest. She loved her dogs and she had some very good ones. Her most famous was Highest Living Register Of Merit bitch, Frohlich's Elsa V Grunes Tahl. Elsa was the dam of GV CH Lance Of Fran-Jo. Ollie leased Elsa to the Fords for that breeding. Elsa's last puppy, whelped when she was nine years old, was Canadian Grand Victor CH Zent Of Frohlich which she co-owned with her daughter Charlotte and son-in-law Joe La-Rosa.

Ollie touched many dog lovers' lives with her countless years of council and friendships about her beloved interest in dogs and German shepherds in particular.

Written By Charlotte LaRosa



*Addendum From Rosemary Booth

I was one of the lucky people who got to know Ollie. She and early member, Louise Ackerman, gave me a look into the history of the breed from a personal perspective. The first time I met Ollie was at the club's puppy match, and she had a handsome male German shepherd at her side--CH Zent Of Frohlich. Ollie had an affection for puppies. I am a strong believer that you should never stop learning or asking questions. Some will tell you what you want to hear. Ollie was not one of those people, nor was Joan Ford. If you were afraid to hear the truth, you did not ask either one their opinion. I've been blessed to know several knowledgeable people in the breed. I give credit to all my mentors for my producing homebred champion, Hondo Von Reb-Ali. To all of you, thanks for the memories.

G.S.D.C. OF CENTRAL OHIO, INC. MEMBERSHIP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2014

President John Ayotte began the meeting at 7:39 p.m. This was an informal meeting as there were only nine members in attendance (not a quorum). Attending were John Ayotte, Jon White, Sue Clark, Rosemary Booth, Teri Ayotte, Roy Clark, Charlotte LaRosa, Marcy Wright, and Charlotte LaRosa.

Minutes: Report of the December Christmas party was given. It included the list of award honorees and the secretary's report from that meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Sue Clark reported that she credited back an uncashed check. We also received \$20 rebate from our supported entries at COKC show. The club shows profit of \$48.40.

John Ayotte is preparing the ad for Cincinnati's and our joint ad for the GERMAN SHEPHERD REVIEW.

Secretary's Report: E-mail was received from Vicki Jordan requesting our trophy list for COKC April show. Because of deadline we'll give the the same (picture frames) as November 2013. Supported entry contract for COKC November 2014 show was signed and returned. Delayed completing form for April 2015 until after our membership meeting. Since our meeting had a quorum of board members, approval by precedent was given. Vicki Jordan has asked if we would like to hold a specialty at their show. That idea was declined based on financial losses from previous specialties with all-breed events. Form to bid for 2016 Futurity was downloaded, completed, and forwarded to Sue Clark to complete financial and insurance information. Membership cards were printed and mailed.

Charlotte LaRosa e-mailed slate of potential judges for 2015 specialties. That list was e-mailed to the membership for consideration with invitation for additional judges desired.

Received copy of E-mail that Dottie Bowman sent to GSDCA club delegate to AKC and the AKC Director Of Event Operations pleading the case of our clubs' sharing their site. I provided additional information to AKC official and the determination was we risked permanently losing our date to Trumbull County Kennel Club if we did so. We have exclusive right to German shepherd dogs on our date for a 200-mile radius (their show site is 154 miles from Columbus and 253 miles from Cincinnati).

Ed Barritt sent flight information and ticket receipt. I've given it to Sue so she can reimburse him.

Since there was a quorum of board members and membership had been provided the list to vote for judges, ballots were distributed. The results are as follows: first choice, Bob Slay; second choice, Maryann Imhoff; third choice, Doug Crane; fourth choice Lou Bunch; fifth choice D.D. Ardoin; sixth choice, Frank Fasano; seventh choice, Randy Chesnut; eighth choice, Gary Szymczak; ninth choice, Edi Trocki.

There was discussion regarding cost. Airline ticket prices continue to rise. It was felt there should be a ceiling of \$450 for tickets.

There was discussion about the next meeting. Regular scheduled date is March 19. Since we did not have an official membership meeting, decision is that March will be a regular membership meeting at Iacono's. Charlotte LaRosa moved the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rosemary Booth, Secretary

Preventives and Improved Treatment Haven't Stopped Heartworm Spread **By Susan Chaney**

You'd think that years of research, the availability of easy-to-administer preventives and better, safer treatment would help put a damper on the spread of heartworm disease in dogs. They haven't.

Today danger is in virtually every corner of the United States and more mosquito species can pass the disease from animal to animal – including dogs.

Dogs cannot give heartworm to other dogs. It takes the bite of a mosquito, like this *Aedes triseriatus* to pass the tiny larvae that grow into worms. About 200 species of mosquito live in the United States.

It's something akin to our problem with antibiotics. They've been over-prescribed by some physicians and abused by people who do and don't need them because they don't take the full prescription when they start to feel better. And, thus, bugs evolve or develop that are stronger, more resilient and can withstand the infiltration of the pharmaceutical industry's best drugs.

We have heartworm preventives available for our dogs, as chewable tablets, injectables and spot-ons, but most of us don't use them.

The New York Daily News reported in mid-March that Floridians should prepare for an invasion of Gallinipper mosquitoes, or *Psorophora ciliata*, calling the half-inch long insects "notoriously aggressive." While "invasion" isn't quite the right word because the mosquitoes have lived in Florida for a long time, the warning is that there likely will be many more this summer than in previous years.

What do mosquitoes have to do with heartworm in our dogs, you might ask? Everything. Absolutely everything. Even mosquito species that don't carry diseases, such as West Nile virus and malaria, can transmit heartworm to dogs.

A dog with circulating heartworm larvae, or even with fully developed adult heartworms, cannot pass the heart-destroying parasites directly to another dog or other mammal. It takes a mosquito to do that. So, the more mosquitoes that live around our dogs and the longer they can be active throughout the year, the better the chance that a heartworm-carrying mosquito will bite your dog. And if your dog – or any dog – is infected, but isn't diagnosed, and a heartworm-free mosquito bites it, that mosquito will become a carrier of heartworms too.

In wetter years, we have more mosquitoes. In dry years, fewer. But that's not the only variable. In fact, Wallace Graham, D.V.M., president of the American Heartworm Society, says, "I think what affects the spread of heartworm more than just about anything is the mobility of our society and the mobility of our dogs. For example, heartworm-infected dogs from New Orleans were transported all over North America after Hurricane Katrina." Although Graham is not an internist, nor a parasitologist, he has a special interest in heartworm disease. His veterinary practice is in southern Texas on the coast, and that's long been a hotbed of heartworm activity, along with the rest of the Gulf Coast and the Atlantic Coast. "We have lots of mosquitoes and lots of heartworm," he says.

Mosquitoes must feed on the blood of an animal, including us, to survive. And we have no shortage of the pesky –and sometimes dangerous – bugs in the U.S. The American Mosquito Control Association says about 200 species call the U.S. home. While not all can transmit the diseases we fear for ourselves, such as West Nile virus and malaria, even the Gallinipper, which transmits none of them, can still serve as what is called a "vector" for heartworms, carrying around the microfilariae, kind of like eggs, that become long, spaghetti-like worms – over time – inside your dog.

Summer evenings, when you may enjoy summertime evening walks with your dogs by your side, are prime feeding time for mosquitoes. **Prevention Is Easy, Yet Neglected**

It's easy to prevent heartworm from invading one of your dogs' most precious organs – yes, the heart, as the parasite's name implies. Start it on a preventive as a puppy, and give it each and every month for the rest of its life. For most of us, however, that's more easily said than done. We miss a month or two, maybe in the summertime, and we can't be absolutely sure

that Duke or Daisy hasn't been bitten by a mosquito in the interim. So now we need to have the dog tested before we can put it back on the preventive. And heartworm tests aren't inexpensive. Depending on where you live, one can cost from about \$50 to more than \$100. When you find out your dog is negative for heartworm – hopefully – you can start her on a preventive. Everything's hunky dory, until you forget again.

Then, another test. "Testing after a lapse in preventive administration usually occurs as soon as the lapse is discovered and again about six months later, since it takes about six months from the time the mosquito infects the dog until the test can detect the infection," Graham explains. The reason testing is important is that a female heartworm can continue to lay larvae, Graham says, even after a dog receives the preventive. Different chemicals are needed to prevent and treat heartworms. "It's incredibly important that we don't give heartworm-positive dogs preventive without following through with the treatment," he says. The American Heartworm Society recommends annual testing of dogs even if they are on a preventive.

Why aren't we consistent in administering the preventive?

A number of things get in the way. For one, human nature. We forget. We run out. We have a work or kennel or family crisis that comes before everything else. Or, we just dislike the idea of putting something potentially toxic into our dogs when we don't see any evidence among our dog-owing friends and colleagues that it's necessary.

Graham understands the hesitance, but says, despite the fact that he likes to practice "without drugs as much as I can, but I use pharmaceuticals in my practice every day. From a philosophic point of view, I'm sympathetic with that opinion. However, with as mobile as dogs are and as tenacious as mosquitoes are, I am just strongly of the opinion that you just can't take a chance with a disease as serious as that.

"Millions and millions and millions of doses of this stuff have been administered, and the incidence of reactions we don't like is so tiny. It's hard to justify not giving it. The drugs have proven to be so incredibly safe. No drug is 100 percent safe, but these things have had such an incredible safety record for such a long time. The disease is awful. In my opinion, it's really hard to justify not doing it."

In addition, the need for heartworm prevention is not as ingrained in dog owners' minds as flea and tick prevention is. Fleas and ticks are obvious on a dog, at least after a certain point. A dog infected with heartworm can go for months, even longer, yet have no disease symptoms, or clinical signs as veterinarians call them. Coughing, the inability to exercise normally and abnormal lung sounds can be signs of moderate heartworm disease.

Diagnosis and Treatment Make Strides

One positive development in the diagnosis of heartworm infection is that many veterinary clinics now have digital X-ray machines. "It makes the characteristic changes to the heart and lungs easier to see," Graham says. When a heartworm test comes back positive, the American Heartworm Society recommends a second test – of a different kind – to ensure the first wasn't a false positive. If the second test is also positive, the private practice veterinarian can take a chest X-ray, then analyze it for "evidence of change in the shape of the heart and the arteries that serve the lungs."

Treating a dog for heartworm is "not something you want to do unless you're certain you need to do it," Graham says. However, when a dog does need treatment, it's not nearly as likely to result in death as it was a decade ago.

"The drug that we use [an organic arsenic compound, Melarsomine dihydrochloride] is a better drug than we had 10 or 15 years ago. The addition of doxycycline has made a big change in the number of post-treatment complications that we have. I see far, far fewer significant problems with the dogs that I treat now." The major complication from treatment is the lodging of dead worms in the dog's pulmonary arteries. "Doxycycline kills a bacterium that benefits the heartworm. So heartworms lose weight, and there's not so much mass when they die," Graham explains. "The smaller the biomass, the fewer complications." Research done in the last four or five years has allowed the American Heartworm Society to strongly recommend the use of

doxycycline. "We don't make any recommendation that we can't back up with good, published research," he says.

All standing bodies of water, whether lakes or simple low areas in a backyard, can be mosquito breeding grounds.

In addition, the timing of treatment has changed as researchers have learned more about the life cycle of heartworms. "Once the mosquito infects the dog, we can kill those larvae for a month or so," Graham says. An anthelmintic is used – some of the same chemicals used in preventives. The drugs used to treat heartworm, however, cannot kill "middle-aged" worms. So, the initial part of the treatment is to kill larvae, then the next part of the treatment kills fully developed adult worms.

Diagnostics and treatment may soon take more leaps forward.

"Since our current tests detect only adult female heartworms, there's a great deal of interest in developing tests that detect male heartworms," Graham says. "Hopefully someday we'll be able to detect those too."

Although no new molecules that might allow development of a new preventive have been discovered, "I would just bet that someone is looking for a new molecule. It would be good if someone could discover one that would perform as well or better than what we have."

Numerous papers detailing research into this pervasive parasite will be presented at the triennial American Heartworm Society Symposium in September in New Orleans. "We'll have people from South America, Europe and Japan," Graham says. "There's going to be some cutting-edge research presented, some of it centered around how certain conditions in dogs may affect the tests" for heartworm.

BRAGS!!

From December 14, 2013--

Blade and I are finishing up an incredible year!! We recently earned a U.K.C./U.R.X. (Rally Obedience Excellent) title and Blade was ranked by the G.S.D.C.A. as the #2 German Shepherd Dog in Utility A and the #10 German Shepherd Dog in Open A for 2012!!!! What an excellent year 2013 has been!!! I can hardly wait to see what we can accomplish in 2014!!!! ***Bev Mills***

And AGAIN for February 19, 2014 --

Except for the weather, 2014 has started out really well for Blade and me! On 1/11/14 Blade earned his U.R.X. 2 (United Rally Obedience Excellent 2) title and the next day, 1/12/14, he earned his U.R.O.G. (United Rally Obedience Grand Champion) title!!!! The following week he fulfilled his 50 visit requirement for his A.K.C. Therapy Dog Title! Blade is also nationally ranked as a United Kennel Club All-Star for 2013 in Rally Obedience :-). He ended the year ranked #5 in U.K.C. Rally Level 3 and #7 in U.K.C. Rally Level 2. We will be invited to compete at the All-Star Rally Invitational held in Michigan in June! U.K.C. All-Stars are the top 50 dogs in each of the 3 levels of obedience, rally and agility! Blade is the embodiment of what a German Shepherd Dog should be.....he excels in performance events (currently holds 17 titles) and has the perfect temperament that takes him from the show ring to his duties as a therapy dog at Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital.....add to that the nobility of a large male German Shepherd and you have the perfect package! I am so proud to share my life every day with this boy! Thanks Kathi Jo :-).

Bev Mills and Blade

Sizzle has earned her **sixth** agility title in eleven months. She completed her AXJ (the Agility Excellent Jumpers with Weaves title) on Sunday, January 27, 2014. Sizzle is now competing at the Masters level in both the Standard courses and the Jumpers courses. I am so proud of her in many ways. She is a great dog to participate with in performance events as her joy for all venues seems endless. Hopefully, this is just the beginning to our participation and fun in a variety of sports.

Sizzle is now King's Da Bomb AX, AXJ, CGC

FYI for those who are not familiar with Agility:

The levels of agility are novice, open, excellent, masters, and then mach (master agility champion) in both the standard courses & jumpers with weaves courses. In novice, open and excellent the dog must qualify 3 times at each level to achieve the title for standard, and 3 times in each for the jumpers title. At the masters level (Sizzle's level now) the dog must qualify **10** times to get a standard title and the same to achieve the jumpers title. The titles would be MX and MXJ. The next level up, or the Mach, the dog has to be entered in the standard course and jumpers course on the same day and qualify in both (called a double Q). They have to qualify on both courses the same day **20** times **and** earn 750 speed points to earn this title. The speed points are earned for each second they run the course under the time set for the course. If they go over time they are disqualified. One point is earned for each second under the set course time. SO..... now you know!

A big thanks to Angie King for her great breeding and allowing me the opportunity to make one of her dogs a part of my life. --***Marcy Wright and Sizzle***

Fabulous job, Bev and Blade and Marcy & Sizzle- You guys ROCK!!
And thank you for the explanation about Agility, Marcy-its great to educate our readers!

HISTORY OF THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF CENTRAL OHIO, INC. Written by Jane Gunderson, July 1958

Introduction

The purpose of the writing of this history of the German Shepherd Dog Club Of Central Ohio, Inc. is to complete our aims and accomplishments within one boundary. It has proved a difficult and time-consuming task because of the vagueness or complete absence of records, particularly the inception of the club. My sources of information have been discussions with charter members, existing records of the club, club columns written to THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG REVIEW, my scrapbook, and my memory. Any one of these could be in variance with any other. If any accomplishment by club or individual member has been omitted, I hope you will accept it as unintentional

Through this history I propose to renew the memories of the present members of the services performed in the past, and to acquaint prospective and new members with our club. After reading the history, it is my hope the members--new and old--will ask "What can I do for the club?" instead of "What can the club do for me?"

In this group's second year as a breed club, with Mr. Carlisle as president, the German Shepherd Dog Club Of Central Ohio, Inc. came into existence. Its Constitution and By-Laws were adopted at a regular meeting on September 20, 1949. Charter members who are still members of the club are J.R. Carlisle, Dorothy Otto, Don Gunderson, and Otto Heinzerling.

Under the leadership of Don Gunderson, action was instigated in October 1952 to incorporate the club, and the deed was accomplished on January 16, 1953 while Paul Knospe served as president.

Our affiliation with the German Shepherd Dog Club Of America affords us the opportunity presenting dog shows under the auspices of AKC. We pay annual dues to the parent club and are entitled to have a delegate without a vote at its meetings. We help the breed locally by complying with policies established by the parent club nationally. THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG REVIEW is the official publication of the parent club, and we are invited to write in it a column on our activities. As the history progresses, you will see instances of how our club and the GSDC Of America work hand in hand to promote our breed.

Now that our club is a regional club of the GSDC Of America--interested in dog shows, obedience trials, and standard breeding--our greatest work must lie in these fields, but I hope we never lose sight of the small social group who gave us our shove.

Part II

The standard of a breed is the written analysis established by an authority of what a mythical perfect dog should be. Conformation is the degree to which each do is able to comply with this standard. Our standard was adopted by the GSDC Of America and approved by the Board Of Directors of the AKC.

The AKC states, "At present no specialty club which has not conducted licensed specialty shows will be granted permission to hold such a show until it has held two successful Plan "A" sanctioned matches six months apart. A specialty show is a show given by a club or association formed for the improvement of any one breed of purebred dogs, at which championship points may be awarded to said breed. A sanctioned match is an informal meeting at which purebred dogs may compete but not for championship points, held by a club or association whether a member or not of the AKC by obtaining the sanction of the AKC.

With the purpose in mind of being able to conduct specialty shows, the newly formed club held its first sanctioned match on November 13, 1949 and its second on October 8, 1950. Then the club developed "growing pains." Our novices became experts and each was trying to conduct the affairs of the club in his own way instead of in unity of purpose. It was all the presiding officers could do to hold the club on an even keel, with not time to think of forging ahead.

In 1954 with the urging of Jane Gunderson as president, the club investigated its status as a specialty show-giving club and was informed by the AKC that our sanctioned matches in 1949 - 1950 were too long ago to be considered. We had to start anew. Without hesitation the club took on this task and our first qualifying sanctioned match was held on October 24, 1954. During Otto Heinzerling's year as president, the second successful sanctioned match was held on July 24, 1955. David Howland was show chairman in 1954 for the first match. Don Gunderson took over as show chairman in 1955, a job he has assumed for four years.

Let me point out, however while the club neglected to follow through on its sanctioned matches in 1950, it was still supporting our breed quite vigorously in the Central Ohio Kennel Club's all-breed show each April. From 1950 through 1955 we supported our breed in the classes of the all-breed show, supplying all trophies and publicizing the show quite effectively. The first the club had a voice in selecting our judge was in 1955, at which time we agreed to pay any judge's expense over \$50.

In 1956 the AKC approved our first specialty show. Viola Holobaugh was president, and Don Gunderson was show chairman. It was held in conjunction with the COKC all-breed shows. It topped our entries in our previous breed shows with a total of 106.

In 1957 the club still wanted to improve our show for the German shepherd exhibitor. At Mrs. Holbaugh's recommendation, the club voted to break from the COKC and hold its second specialty entirely on its own. The only reason for our break was that the exhibitors complained about the size of the ring for shepherds, and the all-breed club was not able to give us a larger exhibition ring.

Following is the list of the judges whose opinions we have sought and the number of entries drawn.

1950 - Lloyd Brackett	50	1955 - Raymond Smith	75
1951 - Alva Rosenberg	37	1956 - John H. Hodes	106
1952 - Grant Mann	39	1957 - Margaret Megahan	99
1953 - E.T. Adair	31	1958 - Maureen Smith Yentzen	82
1954 - Margaret Megahan	63		

Part III

One of the most important functions of our club has been our obedience training program. Usually it is the prospective member's first introduction to our society and has served as a year-round axis for activity. Our aim has been to present well-trained German shepherds to the public, and more recently we have trained all breeds of dogs.

At the beginning of this history I told of how the small group first started to train on a vacant lot. A training program was first instigated by Herb Miller, and the new group was enthusiastic to train. As the club grew, the training sessions were switched to the Jr. Arena in the summer and a small administrative building at the Ohio State Fairgrounds.

After about two years, interest diminished, and trainers found other things to do on Sunday afternoons. In 1951 the training program was reorganized under J.R. Carlisle at Franklin Park. It continued there until 1955. That year training was switched to the barn at the home of Louise Ackerman. Then it returned to Franklin Park until all-breed training was introduced in 1956.

At the beginning the training was given to the new member upon payment of membership dues of \$5.00. Then in September 1950 our Constitution was amended to include a \$10.00 training or initiation fee per family. However, the privileges of training were always contingent upon membership in the club.

This was changed in 1955 while Otto Heinzerling was president and Louise Ackerman served as training director. At that time owners of registered German shepherds were allowed to train at our club sessions without joining the club. The change was made to augment our treasury and introduce us to prospective club members.

In the fall of 1956 the club found itself in need of adequate heated quarters to train. Under the direction of the Holobaughs--Viola as president and Oscar as training director--the idea of training all breeds was adopted by the club. The training again now shifted to the Jr. Arena at the (State) Fairgrounds. It proved successful and popular with dog owners. The fees collected from the trainees met the expenses incurred for the heated quarters for both the trainees and the members.

With the influence of Eilene Billhimer and the public relations work of E.L. Corwin, we were granted permission to use the basement of the Pilot Dogs, Inc. Center by the board of Pilot Dogs. Since January 1958 it has served as our meeting place for business and training. All-breed training classes have continued there, and the club elected to contribute 50% of the training fees to improve the basement of the Center as a meeting room.

Through the activities of the training program, the club has been able to participate in exhibitions of a well trained dog at various public functions. At no time has the club realized a monetary advantage from these demonstrations. They are performed solely for good will and public relations. The German shepherd is a working breed, and we must forever stress its learning ability.

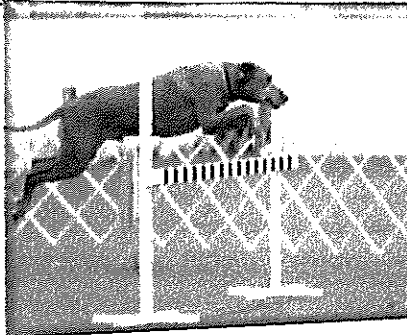
*Footnote: This is only a portion of the original article to give our members a sense of the early years and the development of shows, training, and public relations as an important part of our mission as a breed club.

..Rosemary Booth



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with Pat Hastings

and Guest Nellie Bierly, DVM

Saturday April 26, 2014

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Location:

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AGENDA:

- How to evaluate the structural quality of puppies. (1-2 litters of puppies 7-9 weeks needed, please contact SymetriRR@yahoo.com if you will have puppies available; you will receive a FREE seminar registration).
- The basics of canine structure.
- The weakest links.
- How to evaluate the structural quality of your adult dog.
- What your dog can do and should not be doing?
- A vet's ideas on how to strengthen structure and reduce the risk of injury.
- Questions and hands-on work with adult dogs.

Dogs will do most anything we ask of them. The question is: Do we want to ask them to do things that they are structurally incapable of doing without breaking down? Is that what we really want to do to our most steadfast companions? The more we learn about canine structure, the more we understand what is reasonable to ask of our dogs, given their physical strengths and weaknesses.

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SPEAKERS

PAT HASTINGS is highly respected in the dog-world as an educator, author, and AKC judge. Well-known for her Puppy Puzzle video, she evaluates the structural quality of over 300 litters per year. Pat has been honored with the 2014 AKC Lifetime Achievement Award in Conformation!

NELLIE BIERLY, DVM is a traveling veterinarian providing chiropractic and acupuncture services to dogs (& other animals) at various locations in Virginia. She owns and trains several Border Collies to work livestock on her farm and in trials and has bred the occasional litter of working BCs.

TO REGISTER: Send registration form with payment (made out to CAKC) to: Charlottesville-Albemarle Kennel Club, c/o Eileen Bailey, PO Box 572, Earlysville, VA 22936. For more information email SymetriRR@yahoo.com or call Eileen at 703.608.6016.

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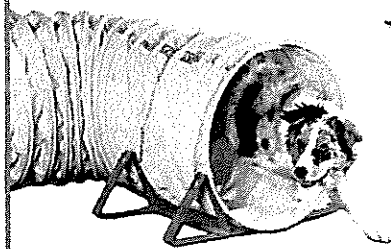
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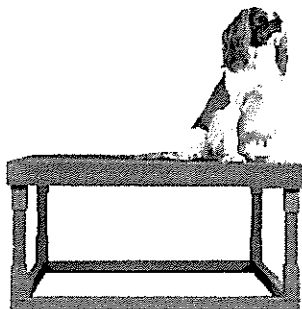
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Agility Obstacles



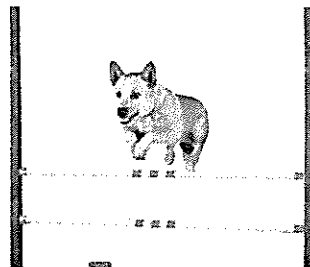
Open Tunnel

Objective: The dog runs at full speed to the entrance of the tunnel from any angle and exits quickly. Because this is one of the easiest obstacles to master, it is a good place to start practicing.



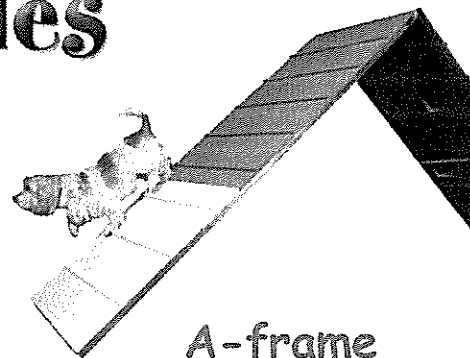
Pause Table

Objective: The dog leaps onto the table, and when commanded to down or sit, complies swiftly and awaits the next command. During a five-second count, the dog remains firmly in position then springs from the table immediately when the handler gives the next command.



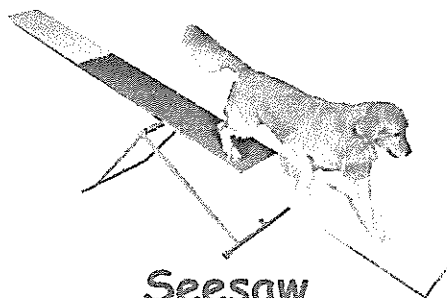
Jumps

Objective: The dog leaps over the bar, panel, double or triple jump from any angle and at a proper distance, without displacing a bar or board. The dog should clear each bar or board without jumping excessively high.



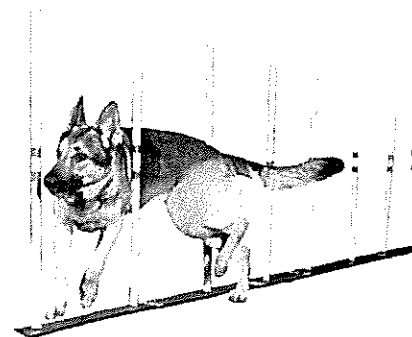
A-frame

Objective: The dog scales the A-frame quickly, scrambles over the apex or top and immediately runs to the bottom, touching the "downside" contact zone.



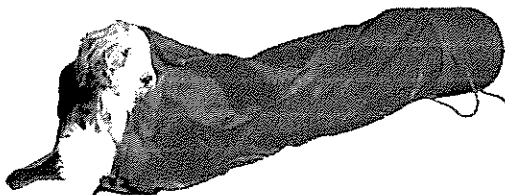
Seesaw

Objective: The dog squarely approaches the seesaw and touches the "upside" contact zone. The dog moves swiftly to the end of the plank, hesitating slightly at the pivot point, touches the "downside" contact zone and exits after the plank has touched the ground.



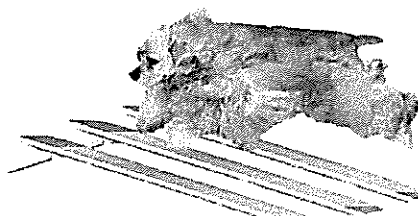
Weave Poles

Objective: The dog enters to the right of the first pole at top speed and from any angle. With its head focused straight ahead, the dog weaves through each pole quickly, hugging the center line as closely as possible.



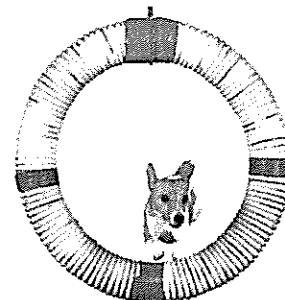
Closed Tunnel

Objective: The dog runs at full speed to the closed tunnel entrance from any angle, pushes through the chute quickly without veering or jumping upward and exits straight ahead.



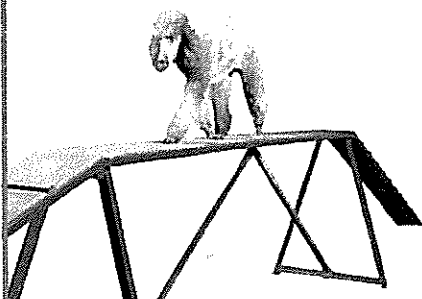
Broad Jump

Objective: The dog soars over the broad jump at a distance that equals twice the dog's normal jump height, entering and exiting between marker poles while clearing all boards.



Tire Jump

Objective: The dog jumps quickly and cleanly through the tire opening from any reasonable angle. (This jump is unique in that the dog must jump through, rather than over, the obstacle.)



Dog Walk

Objective: The dog approaches the dog walk squarely and quickly, touching the "upside" contact zone. The dog races across the top plank and immediately runs to the bottom, touching the "downside" contact zone.



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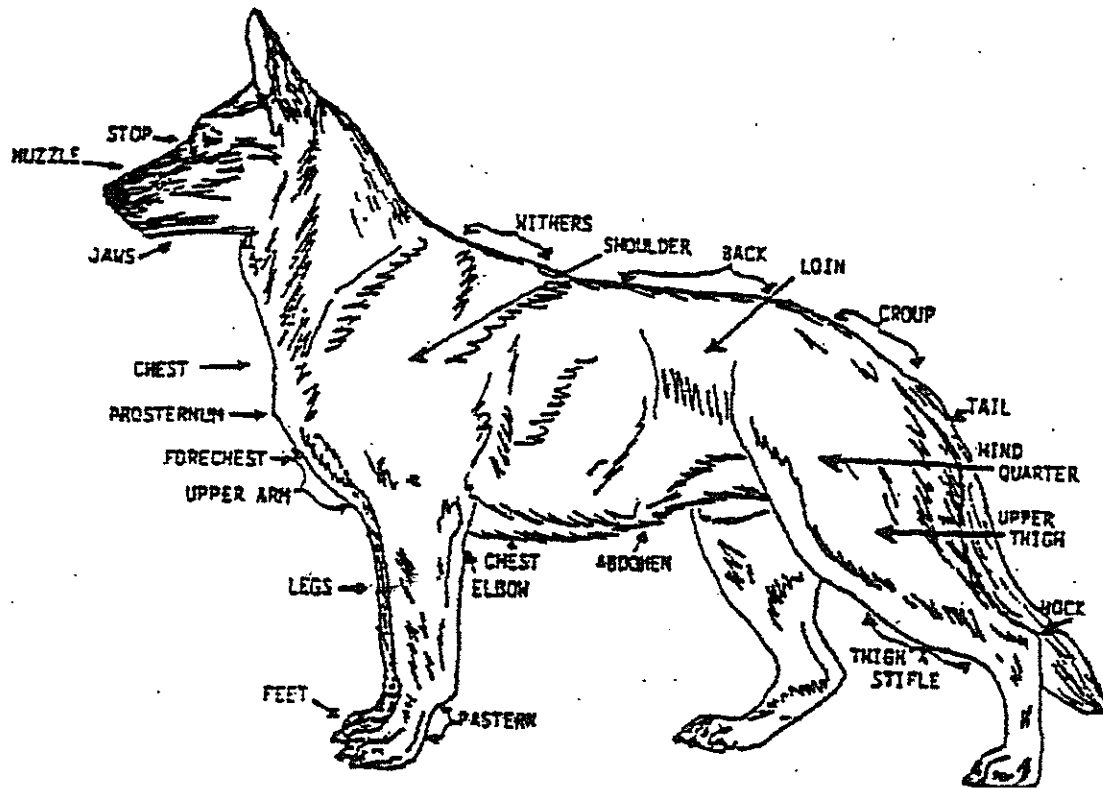
AKC Code of Sportsmanship

PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.

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