



Corresponding Secretary's Report (Lynn Pettinato)

Report Prepared By: Lynn Pettinato

Date: January 6, 2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
Assisted in revamping the membership committee with bringing Terina Chernich and Lorelei Dewe on board as committee members. Terina is the person who is forward facing for the membership, while Lorelei is working on the Member Clicks system. Continue to assist with this committee daily.
Assisted the nominating committee by contacting committee members for their assistance in being on the committee. Assisted Chair Terry Chandler while he was at the National Field Trial to finish up the pending items. Collected biographies and photos from those people who are running for a position on this ballot.
Processed Daily correspondence with the AKC, members and board of directors to continue the smooth running of this position
Took a more proactive role in our Social Media presence with Facebook and Instagram.
Facilitated correspondence with club secretaries and delegates for the National Field Trial annual membership meeting and delegates meeting
Completed the hotel and hospitality arrangements for the February Board Meeting
Interfaced with my committees that I am a liaison for concerning any questions or concerns.
Processed monthly AKC reports for distribution to the proper committees, including paring down the new title list to reflect nonmembers. This allows the Triple R committee to mail congratulatory letters and membership applications
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
Working with the membership committee to put processes into place so we have an idea of what needs to be done regularly. We are still learning what we need to know, and what we don't know.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
Only associated with the membership committee. Purchase/lease of a Stamps.com postage machine that resides with Lorelei to facilitate welcome letters. (\$15.99 per month plus postage)
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): None at this time
5. Action Items for Board consideration: None at this time



Recording Secretary's Report (Cyndi Boysen)

I attended and recorded the minutes for the June 2018 GSPCA BOD meeting. I attended the 2018 GSPCA NFT in October. While at the NFT I prepared the agenda for, attended and recorded minutes for the NFT Delegates meeting. I also attended a hearing held during the NFT. I set up conference calls for the NSSEC and the Health & Welfare Committee. I recorded minutes for some of the NSSEC conference calls. I was involved in correspondence with the AKC regarding the GSPCA NSS to be held this coming May. I prepared the agenda for this BOD meeting. I managed and recorded the following motions via email since the June 2018 BOD meeting:

--carried unanimously on June 19, 2018- Motion: Accept all new member applications (see attached 2018-0616) and waive the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Dean Goodding

-- carried by majority on June 26, 2018- Motion: Approve the Schuylkill Valley GSP Club Regional Specialty Show to be held on the Tuesday before the start of the 2019 GSPCA National Specialty Show (which is tentatively scheduled to be hosted in York, PA). Motion made by: Will Barbee

-- carried by majority on June 28, 2018- Motion: Accept the changes to the GSPCA Water Test (see attached). Waive the 5-day discussion. Motion made by: Dean Goodding

-- carried by majority on July 9, 2018: Motion- The GSPCA will contribute \$500 each to the following three Non-profits in Eureka for disaster relief:

**Verugris Valley Foundation, c/o Marcie Harrison, 2149 Highway 58, Madison KS. 66860 (This would go towards the kids' loss of the Eureka Rec bldg. with all the sports equipment.); *Eureka Foundation, 302 N. Main St., Eureka, KS. 67045; *Eureka Area Ministerial Alliance, c/o Kenneth Baker, Treas., Eureka United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 286, Eureka KS. 67045*

Motion made by: Dean Goodding

-- carried unanimously on July 17, 2018- Motion: Accept the attached new member applications (2018-0703), waiving the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Sharon Fitzpatrick

-- carried by majority on July 25, 2018- Motion: Accept Draft 3 of the June 2018 BOD meeting minutes, waiving the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Lynn Pettinato

-- carried by majority on July 26, 2018- Motion: Appoint Debbie King's choice of Ginger Sammonds for Obedience Hall Of Fame Chair, and waive the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Christy Featherston

-- carried by majority on August 6, 2018- Motion: Accept Patte Titus' suggestion for Andy Gerdes' proposal (see attached) for the archiving of GSPCA historical documents. and waive the 5-day discussion. Motion made by: Debbie King

-- carried unanimously on August 10, 2018- Motion: Accept the new member apps (see attached 2018-0803) and waive the 5-day discussion period. Motion made by: Liz Jennings

-- carried by majority on August 11, 2018- Motion: Accept the 2 proposals (1. Any dog with a broke placement in any gun dog stake or Master Hunter title be allowed to enter. 2. Reduce the requirement of three judges for the event to allow for cost savings on this break-even event.) brought forward by the NAGDC committee, waiving the 5-day discussion. Motion made by: Sharon Fitzpatrick

-- lost due to a tie vote on August 13, 2018- Motion: Accept the recommendation to rescind Ms. Laura Myles' judging assignment of the 2019 NSS brought forward by the NSS Executive committee, waiving the 5-day discussion. Motion made by: Becky Feigh. In favor: Terry C, Christy F, Dean B, Lynn P, Becky F, Will B. Opposed: Cyndi B, Diane P, Liz J, Debbie K, Sharon F, Dean G.

-- carried by majority on August 17, 2018- Motion: Rescind Laura Myles judging contract based on the new information provided by Terry Chandler regarding this matter and AKC Judging Guidelines, waiving the 5-day discussion. Motion made by: Becky Feigh. In favor: Terry C, Christy F, Dean B, Lynn P, Diane P, Dean G, Becky F, Will B. Opposed: Cyndi B, Liz J, Debbie K. Abstain: Sharon F.

-- carried by majority on August 24, 2018- Motion: Approve revised letter of complaint to the AKC regarding Laura Myles, waiving the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Cyndi Boysen

-- carried unanimously on August 29, 2018- Motion: Accept the new members (2018-0827), waiving the 5-day discussion period. Motion made by: Sharon Fitzpatrick

-- carried by majority on September 1, 2018- Motion: Approve Brenda Abraham (the 1st alternate as selected by the membership for the 2019 NSS) as the Breed Judge for the 2019 National Specialty Show, waiving the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Becky Feigh

-- carried by majority September 6, 2018- Motion: Accept Karen Nauer as acting Health & Welfare Committee Chair. Waive five-day discussion. Motion made by: Diane Prohaska



-- carried by majority on September 6, 2018- Motion: Accept the NSS changes for the *Shorthair Journal* as corrected by Diane, minus Barbara Schwartz, waiving 5-day discussion.

Judge Change: In August The GSPCA BOD voted to support the recommendation of the National Specialty Show Executive Committee (NSSEC) to remove Ms. Laura Myles from the 2019 National Specialty Show (NSS) judging panel. This action was taken due to negative comments made on social media that were deemed unsportsmanlike per the AKC Judges Guidelines. Ms. Myles was notified of this decision. The board has also received and has since written an apology to the GSPCA. The acting event Show Chairman, Barbara Schwartz, on the behalf of the NSSEC following procedure, contacted Ms. Brenda Abraham, the first alternate as originally selected for the 2019 NSS, to fill the 2019 NSS judging panel. She has since accepted and has been approved to judge by the BOD.

Premium Distribution: The 2019 NSS Premiums will be emailed to members to help save costs. Members need to ensure their email addresses listed on their profiles are up to date. Individuals will still be able to request a hard copy mailed to them once they will become available from the show superintendent. Information will follow on to how to have a copy mailed to them. Please direct any questions or comments to your director.

Motion made by: Lynn Pettinato

-- carried by majority on September 7, 2018- Motion: Approve the NE Regional Specialty request (see attached application) from Schuylkill Valley GSP Club, waiving the five-day discussion period.

Motion made by: Lynn Pettinato

-- carried by majority on September 12, 2018- Motion: Accept this regional specialty request from Sleepy Hollow GSP Club, waiving the 5-day discussion period. (see attached). Motion made by: Lynn Pettinato

-- carried by majority on September 18, 2018- Motion- approve Rayanne Lehman as the on-site Show Chair for the 2019 NSS. Waive the 5-day discussion period. Motion made by: Christy Featherston

-- carried unanimously on September 24, 2018- Motion: Accept this list of new members (2018-0919). Waive 5-day discussion period. Motion made by: Liz Jennings

-- carried by majority on September 26, 2018- Motion: The Breeder Referral Group will place an advertisement in the National Field Trial Catalog (at no charge), waiving the 5-day discussion.

Motion made by: Lynn Pettinato

-- carried unanimously on September 27, 2018- Motion: Approve these members (2018-0926), waive five-day discussion.

Motion made by: Debbie King

-- carried by majority on October 1, 2018- Motion: Accept all Judges Education mentors listed below: Janene Bradfeldt, Pamela Stillman, Gereth Stillman, Sandy Garlinger-Torres, Kipp Whelan, Dianna James, Tina Parker-Craig (pending signature). Waive the five-day discussion. Motion made by: Debbie King

-- carried by majority on October 3, 2018- Motion: Accept the judges slate for the 2019 NAGDC as listed and waive the 5-day discussion. The judges are: Dan Campbell and Willie Stevens. Motion made by: Dean Goodding

-- carried unanimously on October 13, 2018- Motion: Accept the member applicants and waive the 5-day discussion period (2018-1005). Motion made by: Liz Jennings

-- carried by majority on October 30, 2018- Motion: Approve granting permission for the AKC Judges Department to use the GSPCA Illustrated Standard and PowerPoint as part of the GSPCA's online judges' education for the German Shorthaired Pointer. The online Canine College will not replace the GSPCA judges' education seminars or mentoring program, but rather be a quick resource for both new and seasons judges for review. Waive the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Christy Featherston

-- carried by majority on October 31, 2018- Motion: Accept the H&W's proposal to raise funds for Hemangiosarcoma research, waiving the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Cyndi Boysen

-- carried unanimously on November 9, 2018- Motion: Accept the new members (New member apps 2018-1107), waiving the discussion period. Motion made by: Sharon Fitzpatrick

-- carried by majority on December 4, 2018- Motion: The GSPCA will pay for a booth at the National Pheasant Fest and Quail Classic and make our (Meet the Breeds) display available for the local clubs (possibly: GSPC of Illinois, Ft Dearborn GSPC, GSPC of Wisconsin) to use as well as supply GSPCA membership applications and other breed materials. The booths are discounted at 50% for clubs so the cost would be \$475. Motion made by: Sharon Fitzpatrick. In favor: Christy F, Diane P, Liz J, Debbie K, Sharon F, Becky F, Will B, Opposed: Terry C, Dean B, Lynn P, Cyndi B, Dean G.

-- carried unanimously on December 9, 2018- Motion: Accept the pending members and forgo the five-day discussion period (See attached 2018-1201). Motion made by: Liz Jennings

-- carried by majority on December 18, 2018- Motion: Approve the Regional Specialty Show request from Ft Dearborn GSP Club, NC Region to be held July 11, 2020, and waive the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Dean Goodding

-- carried unanimously on January 3, 2019- Motion: Accept new members as listed (New Member apps 2018-1230) and waive the 5-day discussion period. Motion made by: Dean Goodding

--carried by majority on January 11, 2019: Motion: Accept HOF Field requirements revision 2 proposal as submitted by Debbie King with the added language suggestion discussed (revision 3). Revision 2 language: Also provide a listing of the titled Grand



get. Revision 3 language: **Also provide a listing of the titled Grand get to show the everlasting impression of the dog.** Amended Motion made by: Lynn Pettinato
--carried by majority on January 13, 2019: Motion: Revise the just approved HOF Field requirements replacing, "*List ALL AKC titles in Show, Field and Obedience*" with "*List ALL AKC titles in **Conformation, Performance and Companion.***" Waive the five-day discussion period. Motion made by: Sharon Fitzpatrick

Respectfully submitted,
Cyndi Boysen

Regional Directors' Reports

No reports were submitted



AKC Delegate's Report (Barbara Schwartz/liaison-Terry Chandler)

Report Prepared By: Barbara Schwartz

Date: December 27, 2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:

- **Delegates Meetings** - Attended the June, September, and December AKC Delegates' Committee Meetings and Delegates' Meeting. Detailed reports were provided to the Board for all of these meetings.
- **Pilot Email Program** - Worked with AKC and the Triple R Committee to implement the 2nd pilot email program. The program is now over and AKC is evaluating the success of the program, from their perspective, based on stats provided by Lynn Pettinato. Follow up information as provided by Glenn Lycan of AKC on Dec. 18, 2018. *"Hi Barbara, for the Parent club membership drive email program we are developing some additional test campaigns that are not quite as labor intensive as the 2018 GSP pilot. To handle the potential PC requests we need to standardize the program. The new pilot will be based on what we learned from the GSP program. I will be sending you a request once the path is finalized."*
- **AKC Detection Dog Program**
 - Coordinated a webinar on the AKC's Detection Dog Program for GSPCA members in July of 2018. Forty-seven people participated.
 - Participated in a telcon with Penny Leigh, AKC and Scott Thomas, AKC Contractor on December 18. They requested that I assist with distributing information regarding the new AKC Detection Dog Pilot Puppy Raising Program. The program is targeted at 2 breeds only – Shorthairs and Labs. An email blast was developed and sent to the membership, and the information was also posted on Facebook. (Thanks to Missy and Lynn) Additionally, at my suggestion, Scott Thomas will present the program to the GSPCA BOD at the February meeting in Albuquerque.
- **AKC Canine College**
 - Acted as coordinator for the development of the AKC Canine College Online Course. Coordinated a webinar for committee members. (Note - committee members were selected in coordination with Christy Featherston, JE Coordinator. Care was given to select long time GSP owners who are knowledgeable, articulate and neither high profile nor currently specializing dogs.)
 - Coordinated the selection of photos and videos to be used in the course. These photos and videos were taken at the AKC National Dog Show in 2017.
 - Coordinated the attendance of Subject Matter Experts for interviews with the AKC during this year's show in December. Five interviews were conducted.



- Several dogs were selected for photographs and videoing at this year's show, based on what the committee felt was needed in addition to the photos from 2017.
 - **NSSEC** – participated in all telephone conference calls since June, 2018. Made an onsite visit to a facility in Baltimore, MD in October 2018.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
n/a
 3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
n/a
 4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
N/A

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

Canine College

The committee members for the Canine College participated at their own expense, which involved travel to, and lodging in, Orlando. This was not a small investment of both time and money. I respectfully request that the GSPCA recognize their efforts with an appropriate thank you. Those involved are Maxine Moinier, Shelley Schwerdt, Joe Boteler, Don Schwartz, and Patte Titus.

The Canine College Course will now be developed by AKC with the guidance of the committee. The GSPCA BOD will have final approval of the project. Please direct any concerns to me at any point during the development. The committee is fully aware of emphasizing the importance of the purpose of the breed.

Follow up on GSP Colors

I reviewed the minutes from the June meeting. Please advise if any action has been taken by the board with AKC to change the colors on the registration papers. I checked the AKC website and nothing has changed on that regarding color.

AKC Board of Directors – upcoming vote on the Class of 2023.

Candidates are:

- Dan Smyth, Esq. – Dan is from NJ and is running for the board for the first time. He has served on several Delegates' committees. He has been a delegate for at least 20 years. Occupation – lawyer. He has been active in many aspects of the sport and is a conformation judge.
- Charlie Garvin – Charlie is a physician and has served several terms on the board. He is active with many aspects of AKC, most notably Canine Health. He has also been a driving force in the development of the Canine College. It is rumored that should he be elected, he will be a candidate for Chairman of the Board.
- Steve Hamblin – Steve is the new kid on the block. He is younger and has rapidly become known throughout the delegate body. He brings a marketing background from Starbucks and seems to have fresh ideas with a new approach to looking at the AKC and how it functions.



- Karen Burgess – Karen is from the NW, is well known through the AKC and the Delegate Body. I know her to be a hard worker and a problem solver.
- Tom Davies – has served many terms on the board and is currently the Vice Chair. If elected, he would likely be a candidate for the Chairmanship. Dr. Davies is retired after more than 30 years in various areas of scientific research, and product and market development. He has served as a show chair for several clubs, is a conformation judge. He was a candidate for the Lifetime Achievement Award in conformation this year.

Please advise which candidates you would like me to vote for.

Votes in March

- Proposed amendment to **Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club, Article VIII, Section 1**, that would require that the Board in its appointment of the 5-member nominating committee include three (3) Delegates that have each been selected by a Delegate Committee in accordance with a proposed new standing rule. The Board would be permitted to appoint only two of the five members. The amendment was proposed by the English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois and unanimously disapproved by the AKC Board of Directors. The English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois is demanding that this amendment go forward to the Delegates for a vote as per the AKC Bylaws.
- Proposed amendment to **Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club. Delegate Standing Rule on Committees, Section VI**, that would change the nomination process by requiring that the Delegate Committees select three members of the nominating committee and would change the nomination process timeline. This Standing Rule amendment is offered and would only be effective if the amendment to **Article VIII, Section 1** of the **Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club** is adopted in March 2019. The amendment was proposed by the English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois and unanimously disapproved by the AKC Board of Directors. The English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois is demanding that this amendment go forward to the Delegates for a vote as per the AKC Bylaws.

I plan to vote in favor of both of these proposals. I believe that change is long overdue in the operation of the AKC. These proposals would give the Delegates more input on the selection of the nominees for the Board of Directors. The current board is very much opposed to this change stating that they know best what skills are needed on the board. They are also reluctant to change anything in upper level management, but do not require transparency or accountability of staff. Many delegates feel that the AKC has long abandoned its original mission and that the core constituency has been neglected.



NATIONAL EVENTS

NAGDC Executive Committee Report (Caleb Bryson/liaison-Terry Chandler)

No report was submitted.



NSS Executive Committee Report (Jane Handshumaker/liaison-Becky Feigh)

Report Prepared By: Jane Handschumaker Date: January 8, 2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
 - a. 2019 AKC event application submitted within deadline
 - b. Initial draft of Premium List submitted will get a draft for edit & review in late January or early February
 - c. Approved two special attractions for NSS
 - d. As of December 28, 2018, we are at 752 room nights contract was for 575 room nights
 - e. All vendor spaces for the 2019 NSS have been reserved and funds received.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
 - a. We have added two new special attractions to the 2019 NSS,
The Pee Wee Class (there should be no expense)
4-6-month beginner puppy class with an entry fee
 - b. We are moving forward with the electronic Premium List for 2019
 - c. Barbara Schwartz did take on the site location project and will present the sites.
 - d. Update for the 2019 NSS on-site Show Chairman – Rayanne Lehman has accepted the post for the 2019 NSS.
 - e. I would like to acknowledge Betsy Yates for the many years she worked as the NSS on-site show chair.
 - f. The 2019 NSS conformation judge was changed with BOD approval to Ms. Brenda Abraham.
 - g. In order to maintain and improve hotel relations published within the NSS Premium List are fines for: Not complying with clean-up after your dog 1st offense \$100, repeat - \$200 and bench committee, Dogs left loose in room unattended 1st offense \$200.00, second - \$300 and bench committee. Both can ultimately result in expulsion from hotel.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):



- a. The NSSEC is proactively moving forward to ensure The NSS has at the very least a breakeven bottom line but with the ultimate goal of a profit. The steps we have taken so far:
 1. Approximately 3 years ago we approved one judge for the NSS.
 2. Electronic Distribution of the Premium List – Savings \$1,200 – \$1,500
 3. Awarding the NSS “Armetale” Plate to first place only, savings of approximately \$51.00 per class if there are 4 placements (\$17/plate)
 4. Review ribbon selection, making adjustments for 2019
Consider sending out RFP for ribbon vendor.
 5. Recommending a merchandise review and possible RFP for new vendor.
(1). This is about merchandise the Merchandise Committee is very good, efficient and hard working.
 6. Standardizing the GSPCA Medallion awards and possible reduction of those awards. This standardization is for the NSS and regional specialties.
 7. Was able to negotiate with the 2019 NSS hotel to use their dumpsters, that will be a savings of approximately 250.00 for dumpster rental.
 8. Line item review of NSS expenses charged to the NSS i.e. rooms provided, shipment of other trophies, judges ed costs,
 9. Defining the futurity expenses covered by the futurity income
 10. Possible increase of Sweepstakes fees retained by the club from 30% to 35%
Entry fee is \$20.00, 30% = \$6.00, 35% = \$7.00
 11. Agility continues to present issues as there are now so many agility trials that it is difficult to schedule an all-breed trial(s) in conjunction with the NSS. This activity was once a very positive revenue source.

Much of the profit/loss of the NSS is determined by the location of the show.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):

The Committee’s Liaison is working with us on the budget request below.

 - a. I have not previously requested this, but in order to maintain financial responsibility The NSS Executive Committee respectfully requests a budget breakdown of the NSS show revenue/expenses and by category, Agility, NSS, Top 25, Judges Ed, raffles etc. (Request in June report)
 - b. The temporary replacement for Patty Crowley was appointed and approved by the NSSEC and it was David Gontz from the York, Pa. area.
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
 - a. Approve 2022 show sites as presented by Barbara Schwartz
 1. Delta-Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn, Hunt Valley, Md.
 2. Crowne Plaza Resort, Ashville, NC
 3. The Radisson Hotel, Camp Hill, Pa.
 4. Wyndham Garden York, York, Pa (2019 site)



- b. Preference for day & time of 2019 Annual Meeting
- c. Dates of officers attending 2019 NSS
- d. Please acknowledge the years of service Betsy Yates provided as on-site show chair for our National Specialty Show.

National Specialty Show Futurity Report (Holly Faught/liaison-Dean Browning)

No report was submitted

NFT Executive Committee Report (Phil Mathiowetz/liaison-Will Barbee)

No report was submitted

NFT Futurity Report (Terry Bomer/liaison-Christy Featherston)

No report was submitted



COMPANION/PERFORMANCE EVENTS

Versatility Report (David Nauer/liaison-Liz Jennings)

Report Prepared By: David Nauer

Date: 27 December 2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
 - a. Quarterly Awards processed and mailed
 - b. 2017 and 1H 2018 award list submitted to webmaster for inclusion on website
 - c. 2017 VCA and VCX Trophies ordered, made, and awarded at NSS Boise Banquet
 - d. Quarterly award report submitted to Shorthair Journal
 - e. Questions on program, and suggestions in improvements processed throughout year
 - f. Analysis of possible program changes conducted at end of year
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
 - a. Dock Diving – this sport presently is only recognized in the “other” category where a Senior title of any kind qualifies for 2 points in the “Other” category. For the GSPCA Versatility Program this means Dock Diving is not one of the “six primary” categories and cannot be used for “Major” credit in either a VCA or VCX certification.

Dock Diving has become very popular in the GSP community, and it does relate to water skills that overlap with our breed standard and breed intent. No – this is not hunting. It is not field work at all. But I believe water skills are a part of our breed and this measures the desire, athletic ability, and biddability to work in an area where excellence in water desire and ability are measured.

RECOMMEND:

- i. We leave Dock Diving “as is” today: an “other” category recognizing the senior titles in the NADD sport – this is what we have today. OR
- ii. We “promote” Dock Diving as a primary skill. The board will need to decide whether it be a part of “Hunt” and substitute for a JH/SH/MH as credit for “hunt”, or if it should be created as its own stand-alone category. If stand-alone the board would have to decide if this would get credit as “field” or “hunt”, or if it would be stand-alone like Agility/Flyball, or Obedience/Rally/Therapy, or Tracking/Search-Rescue – this would create an eighth category – you’d still need 3 for VCX with some kind of field/hunt (non-dock diving) credit – or 2 majors/2 minors for VCX where one of the four areas would be field/hunt (non-dock diving). I’d recommend the “Senior” level remain the 2 point in that category, the Four Point VCA being “Master” level, and the “Elite” needed for the VCX.
- iii. NEED: Please decide if you do (i) above – leave as is – or (ii) and create a new non-field/hunt category dedicated to Dock Diving only.



- iv. If (ii) is adapted, make the change effective 1 April 2019
- b. Coursing – we recognize the basic lure coursing with the “intermediate” coursing title recognized as a 1 point “other”. I recommend we keep that as is. A related program is the “FAST Cat” lure coursing title set – this is based on speed alone and is measured by the dogs speed (one point per mile per hour). The titles are based on accumulated points from qualifying runs.

RECOMMEND:

- i. The “DCAT” title from the FAST CAT program be added to the “Other” category of the Versatility program – this requires 500 points of accumulated speed and qualifying runs – and would only be able to be used as a 1 point credit in the VC title, or as a “minor” credit in the VCA title (along with Barn Hunt and the existing CAA coursing title). This is a minor upgrade to the program but recognizes exceptional achievement in this sport and allows some credit in this program for enthusiasts with fast and consistent athletic GSPs.
- ii. Make this effective 1 April 2019.
- c. Scent Work – this is a new AKC program – it is not like Dock Diving where an outside organization has their titles recognized by AKC – this is a new(er) AKC program run by the AKC with AKC Certified Judges – it is similar but quite different compared to AKC Tracking. In this sport dogs must detect, identify, and indicate different scents in varying and challenging conditions.

The GSP is a highly sought after scent work dog – you may see working GSPs at your local airports acting as detection dogs (bomb, drugs) – our breed is considered one of the top detection dogs in pure bred dogs.

AKC’s scent work program has evolved to a respected level and has challenging and difficult tests to evaluate and award titles to dogs capable of meeting those challenges. I believe this sport has reached both a consistent and respectable level now to be recognized in our program.

RECOMMEND:

- i. AKC Scent Work titles be added to the “Tracking” Columns/area in our program. This would mean a GSP could meet this column’s credit with successful work in AKC Tracking Test, AKC Scent Work Tests, or in the recently recognized AKC’s Search and Rescue Title Recognition Program, which was added to this category last year.
- ii. The titling program for Scent Work is COMPLEX – there are different levels (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master) for each order search division (Container, Interior, Exterior, and Buried); there is combined Scent work titles (combining the container, interior, exterior, and buried at each level



together); elite element titles; odor search elite combined titles; and Handler discrimination leveled titles; and handler discrimination elite titles. Frankly, I'm not sure what we should place in each point level, and what set of titles should be qualifying for our very difficult VCA and VCX awards. I do not want to make this too easy or unreasonable.

- iii. As such RECOMMEND I assemble a small group of GSPCA members who are experts in the Scent work sport and determine a recommended leveling for the Versatility Chart, and a title set for the VCX award – and report back to the Board the recommendations of that sub-committee.
 - iv. I further recommend I head that sub-committee, and Cindy Smullen (my co-member of this committee), and Liz Jennings, my GSPCA Board Liaison, attend – and we find 3 or 4 enthusiasts that are (a) GSPCA members, and (b) have advanced titles in the sport – to do the recommendations.
 - v. This means we'll target Scent Work for approval in June 2019 if the board approves this approach – and target an effective date of the approved recommendations on 1 October 2019
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
- a. Cost of trophy production and mailing paid to Cindy Smullen (who coordinates with the award shop for the acrylic trophies)
 - b. No other costs for this year (I donate all other postage, certificates, supplies, etc.)
 - c. FUTURE:
 - i. Trophy and trophy mailing for 2018 awards planned for 2019 NSS Banquet
 - ii. Time to order VC Pins – supply is about half – cost will be approximately \$300 for 100 VC Pins – supply of VCA and VCX pins are adequate.
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
- a. Increase supply of VC Pins – order 100 for approximately \$300 (see 3.c.ii above)
 - b. Review of recommended changes in (2) above and either approval or rejection of those recommendations
 - c. Continue other operations (acrylic trophies, quarterly award cycle)
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
- a. APPROVE: Cost for 100 VC Pins (approximately \$300)
 - b. REVIEW recommendations in (2) and approve/deny recommendations
 - c. Enjoy a good beer or glass of wine tonight with well wishes from the Versatility Committee 😊



Agility Report (Jeri Fishack/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

No report was submitted

Obedience/Rally Report (Eleanor Campbell-Swank/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

Nothing much to report at the moment, except that the judges have been hired for the NSS, as you know.

Pam Stillman has promised to send me the boxes of obedience and rally rosettes.

In a month or so, I'll start asking for stewards.

I just emailed Jane, so I can start to get more particulars such as crate space, exact ring size, etc.

Happy New Year!

Eleanor



Field Trial Date Coordinator Report (Jan Erbe/liaison-Terry Chandler)

2018 FIELD TRIAL DATE COORDINATOR REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

To summarize 2018, 120 field trials were approved: 89 Horseback and 31 Walking. Of the 120 approved trials, 18 were cancelled or re-scheduled leaving 102 actual completed trials. Two of the 102 completed field trials were regional trials - North Central and South East; one of the trials was a national - the National Championships and 12 of the trials were NGSPA dual sanctioned trials.

Here's a comparison of 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018:

	App	HB	Walk	WT	Cncl	Comp	Reg	Ntl	NGSPA
2012	128	94	34		12	116	2	2	5
2013	129	94	35		16	113	2	2	7
2014	123	91	31	1	13	110	2	2	11
2015	123	91	31	1	13	110	2	2	12
2016	137	102	34	1	28	109	2	2	13
2017	114	84	30		8	106	2	2	10
2018	120	90	31		18	102	2	1	12

Almost all applications are received by internet files and after verifying the dates and checking club compliance, I am able to electronically sign the documents and e-mail to AKC. The signed documents are then e-mailed back to the applying club. I have already received 24 requests for 2019 dates. It sometimes requires several emails to determine if the club dues have been paid and the club lists and officer lists have been sent to GSPCA.

A complete listing of the 2018 field trial date approval log is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Erbe
Field Trial Date Coordinator



COMMITTEES

Annual Awards Report (Tiffany Harvey/liaison-Diane Prohaska)

Report Prepared By: Tiffany Cessna

Date: 1/14/19

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:

I have started to send a copy of the plaque proof to each recipient and have them approve it prior to submitting the pages to Monarch, this will ideally cut down on any possible errors on my end. We have also looked into maybe adding a few awards to our current list.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:

-Diane P had received some feedback from some of the membership in regards to adding awards. Diane had suggested to add Top Owner Handled dog of the Year. Jeri Fishack requested a plaque for Agility Grand Champion David Nauer requested to add to the existing plaque title awards already done for CT, OTCH, TC, and Duals: Add AGCH and VCCH. Maybe we could do something like the framed award we give the AOM at our NSS for and recognize them at our banquet for these extremely hard titles like the what Jeri and David suggested or the OTCH/MACH etc. This would be more cost effective (between \$3 and \$4 for the frame) and I can get them together.

-I would also like to add an award for donations above \$1000 made to the Hemangiosarcoma fund with the Health and Wellness Committee

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):

Cost of plaques for 2017 Dual producing champions (with 1 get)

17 (7X9) plaques at	\$34.00 each
Shipping	\$41.95
Tax	\$51.15
Total	\$619.95

This was the cost of the plaques from 2017

Monarch Plaques			
Size	Cost	Last Yr	Total
7X9	\$34.00	28	\$952.00
9X12	\$47.00	4	\$188.00
12X9	\$34.00	1	\$34.00

Sum	\$1,174.00
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I am not 100% certain about this because I did not have an invoice to reflect these numbers. The Dual Champion Trophies are \$175 each. What I could see from last year, there were 9 made, coming to \$1575.

Looking at the cost of last year's trophies with the addition of the dual producing sire/dam I am projecting next year total to be \$2194.95.



4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):

If someone could provide me with a current list of everything, we give awards for, it would be really beneficial. I just need to have this credit card authorization completed so I can return it to Monarch the plaque company.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None, that I am aware of.

Awards - Job Description

Compile calculate and prepare Year End Awards utilizing reports from AKC and committee members.

Notify Year End Award winners and request pictures & where they are going to pick up the award.

Collect Pictures from award winners to be sent to Awards Slide Show designee

Committee members (listed below) calculate the points for awards utilizing established values (approved by the Board)

Committee members – provide bimonthly reports to Committee Chair to verify membership and to Elizabeth Jennings & Patty Busso for publication in the Shorthair Journal.

Year End Results are sent to Gene Moseley (plaque printing), Christin Swinford (or designee) (Awards Slide presentation), Missy Neal (website), Deb Broad (Yearbook publication) & Patty Busso (Shorthair Journal).

Committee members listed below:

Dog of the Year Awards – Point systems

Show Dog – AKC Supplied Awards (Year End pd report)

Obedience (Eleanor Campbell)

Stats – Belinda Venner (Bimonthly & Year End)

Agility (Jeri Fishack)

Stats – Jeri Fishack (Bimonthly & Year End)

Tracking – Calculated by Awards (Year End only)

Field Stats per stake – Stevi Casdorph (Bimonthly & Year End)

Dual – AKC supplied Awards (Year End)

Hunt Tests – Calculated by Awards (Year End)

Versatility – David Nauer (up to Dave)

Sire/Dam of the year (all disciplines) - Calculated by Awards (Year End)

Best Junior – Yvonne Hassler-Deterding (bimonthly stats & Year End)

Other awards:

Hall of Fame – Dogs/People/Obedience (Submitted to HOF reviewers, voted on by BOD)



Hero for Health (voted on by Health & Welfare committee)
Volunteer of the Year (voted on by BOD)
AKC Sportsmanship award (nominations from membership, voted on by BOD)
GSPCA Sportsmanship award (nominations from current membership)



Breed Education/Meet the Breeds Report (Patte Titus/liaison-Christy Featherston)

BREED EDUCATION

Report Prepared By: Patte Titus, Chairman

Date: 31 December 2018

- 1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:** Respond to breed related inquiries/questions about the Breed from various sources. Direct individuals to the appropriate sources, i.e. GSPCA, AKC, Local area if applicable.

Increase in the number of inquiries about coat color as it pertains to "gray" and "tri-marked" Shorthairs.

*For Reference: In 2006 ads began to appear about AKC registered Shorthairs with lemon coats. In 2009 Sheila Schmutz, Ph.D was contacted about a coat color survey with the information provided to the 2009 BOD should the GSPCA decide to pursue one. At the same time Mari-Beth O'Neill at AKC was contacted about additional coat color codes: **061 Brown; 063 Brown & White; 115 Lemon & White; & 199 White** on the registration form and AKC website for the Shorthair.*

A letter was sent to Mari-Beth on 16 July 2009 that the descriptive term for the Shorthair coat color is "liver" as the term "brown" found in various other breed is more generic and in some instances is descriptive of a "sandy" or "fawn" colored coat both of which are incorrect for the Shorthair.

Those color codes were removed from the Shorthair registration form and AKC Website for the Breed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus, Chair



MEET THE BREED

Report Prepared By: Patte Titus, Chairman

Date: 31 December 2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:

Orland MTB - 15 - 16 December 2018

Second year for the 4 backdrop banners, two people can set them up and take them down in less than 10 minutes. Representatives from several Breed Clubs inquired about them and took pictures as an idea for their Breed booth. Big "thank you" to the individuals that responded to the email blast brought dogs both days. Our regulars are the Agility and Dock diving competitors, we can always count on them to swing by both days and help. The crowds appeared to be smaller than last year with fewer breed info brochures picked up. As always it is our dogs that draw the crowds in. Thanks to all that helped.

Westminster MTB - Saturday - 9 February 2019 - After 2018 Katy Tazza agreed to undertake organizing the GSP Booth for 2019. Long time GSP breeder/owner Judy Ware (helped with the booth in Orlando) said she would contact Katy about the Westminster MTB booth. Carolyn Gerganoff (German Shepherd MTB) reached out again this year to ascertain if her help was needed to help with the GSP Booth.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes: Big improvement was the four backdrop banners. Potential to add one more banner to show case other activities the Shorthair does, i.e. TSA work, Bomb detection, Tracking to name a few.

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): Future budget - to be determined. For 2019 AKC renegotiated parking prices at the Pier and they do provide each Parent Club booth with a stipend to offset other costs. After the Westminster MTB expenses are received will have a better idea of the MTB budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus, MTB Liaison



Breeder Referral Report (Terina Chernich /liaison-Terry Chandler)

No report was submitted

Database Report (Deborah Longtin/liaison-Debbie King)

Report Prepared By: Deborah Longtin

Date: 12/24/2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
Preparing to close out the 2018 year after importing the last of the 2018 AKC New Title Reports to the database. The December reports should arrive in February or March of 2019. After import is completed the updated All Time Top Producer (ATTP) queries can be run and the new ATTP reports in the revised format created.
Reports will be provided to Deb Broad – Year Book
And Deb King – GSPCA board liaison
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
New Report Format for ATTP Show, Field, Hunt – Sires and Dams now lists other titles earned by contributing get in other venues as well as Dual Champions.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
None
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
None
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
None



Hall Of Fame Nominations (liaison-Debbie King)

Field Dogs (Mike Aldrich)

No report was submitted

Show Dogs (Deborah Longtin)

Report Prepared By: Deborah Longtin

Date: 12/24/2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
No HOF applications have been received.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
None
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
None
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
None
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
None



Obedience Dogs (Ginger Sammonds)

Report Prepared By: Ginger Sammonds Date: 1/8/2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
This is my first report as I am newly appointed to the position.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
Redefined the requirements to earn an Obedience HOF award.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
I don't have the information to create a budget at this time.
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
 1. BOD approval for my proposal listed below.
 2. BOD approval to waive the requirements for HOF Companion Dogs to be deceased in order to qualify for the award.
 3. Guidance on any budgetary requirements for this position.
5. Action Items for Board consideration:

As the new Obedience HOF chair, I was given the assignment of updating the requirements for a dog to earn the Obedience Hall of Fame award. My BOD liaison, Debbie King, gave me general guidelines and an offer of help should I need it. Debbie also provided me with the names and email addresses of the other HOF chair candidates who had expressed an interest in contributing to the process.

My first task was to research every breed in the Sporting group to determine which, if any, had a HOF award specifically for Obedience. Sadly, out of the entire Sporting group only Golden Retrievers have a HOF award for Obedience dogs. Most of the other breeds include Companion titles as a part of a general HOF award for their breed. Next, I sent out an email to my list of committee members asking for ideas and parameters for the award. Only two of the five responded (Jeanine Wright and Belinda Venner) and provided feedback for the award. In addition, I had several conversations with David Nauer regarding the HOF program and he provided me with a very interesting and exciting concept that I want to propose to the BOD.



I would like to propose that the BOD consider instead of just an Obedience HOF award, we change the committee to a Companion Dog HOF award that would include Obedience, Rally, Agility, and Tracking. All four of these venues offer a Championship title and require high levels of training to accomplish those titles. Our proposal is not to have a dog earn each of these Championship titles in order to qualify for a HOF as that would be more in line with the Versatility Award program, but to earn a Championship in any one of these venues with additional higher reaching requirements to acknowledge the outstanding skills and training of a dog and handler team worthy of additional recognition.

Our requirements for an Obedience HOF award include the following:

1. An OTCH (Obedience Trial Champion) title **OR**, for obedience dogs competing prior to 1977 when the OTCH was created, will need 10 scores of 195 or higher from either Open B or Utility. In addition, these dogs will need 3 first placements in each of Open B and Utility.
2. 5 All Breed High in Trial awards with no more than 2 of these awarded from the Novice class.
3. Must have competed at least once at either the NOC (National Obedience Championship), the AKC Classic, AKC Invitational, or, in the case of dogs competing prior to the advent of these competitions, the Gaines Invitational.

There are currently 19 OTCH GSP's at this time, but it is unknown how many of this number would qualify for HOF with the additional requirements we have listed.

Our requirements for a Rally HOF would include the following:

1. A RACH (Rally Champion) title.
2. A total of 10 scores of 100 from any combination of Advanced B, Excellent B, and Master class with a minimum of 2 scores of 100 from each of the Advanced B, Excellent B, and Master class. These scores can be earned at any time, not just in completion of the RACH title.
3. Must have competed at least once in the RNC (Rally National Championship).

At this time, I do not know of any RACH GSP's

Our requirements for Tracking HOF would include the following:

1. A CT (Champion Tracker) title.

The CT title is issued for dogs that have earned the 3 previous tracking titles (TD or TDU, TDX, and VST) so it is more of a cumulative title rather than an additional achievement. Tracking titles are all pass/fail events so it is not possible to have additional requirements beyond the CT. There is a CT Invitational event but because the entry is very limited, I do not think it is reasonable to require participation as a part of the HOF requirements.

To my knowledge, there are 3 CT GSP's at this time.



Our requirements for Agility HOF would include the following:

1. A MACH or PACH (Master Agility Champion or Preferred Agility Champion) title.
2. Must have competed at least once in either the AKC Agility Invitational or the NAC (National Agility Championship).

For this HOF award, I would like to confer with David Nauer and my committee to determine further requirements. I want to make sure we set reasonable achievement goals for this very popular venue. I anticipate that we will have these requirements finalized in another month.

The Agility MACH/PACH database is not up to date so it is unclear how many GSP's have these titles at this time. Rough estimates are in the 40 to 50 dog range.

Additional Information

The request to waive the requirement that a HOF dog be deceased in order to be eligible for the award is explained by the following. The dogs competing in the Companion venues are comprised of conformation and field dogs to some extent, but a very large percentage of the dogs competing at the level that we are talking about are companion dogs, pets, and rescue dogs. The focus of a Companion HOF award is the excellence of the dog and handler team in their chosen sport, not on the get produced from the high achieving dog. As such, the requirement for the dog to be deceased is not a necessity for this award. As an aside, the Golden Retriever Club of America does not require their HOF dogs to be deceased in order to qualify for an award.

Suggested wording for this is: All dogs fulfilling the requirements of any of the Companion HOF awards are eligible to apply. This includes both living and deceased dogs.

I would like to also further explain our requirement for all of the applicants, with the exception of the Tracking HOF award, to have competed in at least one national event. This is included to address the original requirement that a HOF dog contribute substantially to the breed in promoting obedience. Our feeling is that a HOF dog having competed at a national event specific to their venue is a substantial and public promotion of the versatility of the GSP.

Additional requirements follow the guidelines already in existence for the other HOF awards.

HOF Nominations received by December 15th of each year will be considered at the January Board of Directors' Meeting for presentation (OF AWARD) at the National Specialty Show

Dogs born January 1, 1975 and after will be considered only if their owner has been a member of the GSP Club of America for at least three years. They can be eligible if multiple



owned, provided one of the owners of record is a Parent Club member. Certification of GSPCA membership lies with the owner. Dogs (candidates) will be elected at the Board of Directors meeting in January and June.

I want to thank my fellow committee members Belinda Venner and Jeanine Wright for their insight and help in drafting this proposal and David Nauer for his contributions towards the Agility HOF requirements.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

Individuals/Life Members (Fred Lowry)

Report Prepared By: Fred Lowry **Date: 1/2/2019**

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
No activity
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
Need an activity----oops not asking for another job
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
Need more money....the hours are killing me
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
none
5. Action Items for Board consideration: see above.... Happy New Year



Health & Welfare Report (Karen Nauer/liaison-Becky Feigh)

Report Prepared By: Karen Rooks Nauer Date: 19 December 18

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
The has been restarted with monthly conference calls and the addition of a few new members. The focus of the Committee for 2019 is to raise \$25,000 for hemangiosarcoma research from members and the GSPCA will match the \$25,000 from the Purina designated fund for a total of \$50,000. The Committee will also update the content on the website and provide articles to the Journal. The Committee plans to have health clinics at the 2019 NSS and an open panel discussion.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
Excited to have new members who are willing to be active participants with new skills to increase the success of the committee.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
Planning on a \$25,000 match from the GSPCA designated Purina fund for the hemangiosarcoma campaign. The committee plans to use some funding (estimate \$1,000) from the GSPCA H & W fund for expenses associated with the clinics and rewards for members who donate to the fund-raising campaign. More details to come and our intent is to use as little as possible. I have also asked Bradford Brady from the Canine Health Foundation to inform us of any matching opportunities. Here is the proposed plan for the donation incentives:
 - A. Following rewards for donations
 - a. \$25 - luggage tag
 - b. \$50 - luggage tag and picture on Facebook and website
 - c. \$100 – special pin, like the pin given for the versatility program
 - d. Profit from Top 25 event will be donated to this initiative
 - e. \$250 – Limited opportunity for a front row seat during the NSS with a special chair cover, catalog and small cooler with water and snacks.*
 - f. \$1,000 or more a plaque and recognition at the banquet at the NSS and NFT*
 - B. *Would it be possible to include an envelope in the Journal for mail-in donations for members who would prefer to donate with a check instead of an online donation?*



4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):

1. We will need the support of the Webmaster to update the H & W section of the website and BOD support for a few email blasts throughout 2019.
2. Lynn Pettinato has been great about placing information on the Facebook page and we look to continue this process.
3. Support from the BOD for the fund-raising activities.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

Approval for the following ideas:

- a. \$250 – Limited opportunity for a front row seat during the NSS with a special chair cover, catalog and small cooler with water and snacks.*
- b. \$1,000 or more a plaque and recognition at the banquet at the NSS and NFT*
- c. Would it be possible to include an envelope in the Journal for mail-in donations for members who would prefer to donate with a check instead of an online donation?*



Historian Report (Patte Titus/liaison-Christy Featherston)

Report Prepared By: Patte Titus, Chairman

Date: 31 December 2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:

RE: Action Item June 2018 Minutes: Christy F will have Patte change the ownership of the storage rental unit to the GSPCA with the BOD having access to the storage unit.

The Club's historical records are not in a commercial storage facility, they reside in the home of the Historian. Note for record: Due to materials used at the time, some of the older records have faded to the point they may not be recoverable, and others indicate slight moisture damage.

August 2018 the BOD approved the contract submitted by Andy Gerdes' company (Dallas,TX) to scan and digitally archive the records. There are approximately 20 boxes of paper files that do not include early NSS portfolio photos (later ones are on disc), NFT catalogs, Shorthair magazines or other like historical printed materials.

2. Action Item for Board Consideration: Does the Board want to archive the following:

Early NSS portfolio photos, NFT catalogs, Shorthair magazines and other like historical printed materials?

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus, Historian



Illustrated Standard Report (Patte Titus/liaison-Diane Prohaska)

Report Prepared By: Patte Titus, Chairman

Date: 31 Dec 2018

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:

7 - sold via GSPCA website

5 - JE Seminars/AKC Judges/ Member Club Sweepstakes Judges

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:

N/A

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):

As of this date - 147 copies remain with Chairman

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):

None at this time.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus, Chair

Illustrated Standard Committee



Judges' Education Report (Christy Featherston)

No report was submitted

Juniors Report (Valerie Nunes-Atkinson & Yvonne Deterding/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

No report was submitted

Legislation Report (Scott Roker/liaison-Sharon Fitzpatrick)

No report was submitted

Member Club Advisory Committee Report (Sharon Fitzpatrick)

No report was submitted

Membership Report (Loralei Dewe & Terina Chernich/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

No report was submitted

National Bird Dog Museum Report (Terry Chandler)

Report presented by Terry



Outstanding Sportsmanship Report (Colleen Scruggs/liaison-Debbie King)

Prepared By: Colleen Scruggs

Date: 1/12/2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
Received nominations, selected a recipient and provided award at GSPCA Nationals 2018

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:

No changes

However, we the committee would like to have the flexibility to carryover a nominee from the most recent nomination period, and if there were noted two equal nominees with similar attributes and request that the submitter(s) resubmit/re-nominate for the upcoming year.

There has also been discussion on 3 different awards falling under OSA for Field, Performance and Show. We'd like to know your thoughts on this and if it is something to redesign the entire OSA award.

In addition, we want to review the nomination documented in hope to obtain better information from our submitters regarding their nominees.

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
the OSA budget will not to exceed \$300.00; Dannyquest trophy, Inc provides a 50% discount.
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
The OSA Committee would like consideration to the following, if we the OSA Committee have more than one strong OSA nomination, that we can carryover a nominee and approach the submitter(s) to request that they re-submit nomination for the following year.

The OSA Committee would like additional consideration to the following; if we have two equal nominations, however, their attributes are completely separated between field and confirmation, that we could have to recipients.



Registry Of Merit Report (Renee Lara, DVM/liaison-Becky Feigh)

Report Prepared By: Renee Lara

Date: 1/3/2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
Have been submitting ROM for each journal. So, for GSPCA has received and published ROMS in all but one journal since the new program was started.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
At this time there have been no changes
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
Cost is about \$150.00 per year for certificates, postage etc. At this time no funds are needed
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): nothing
5. Action Items for Board consideration: none



Rescue Report (Missy Neal/liaison-Sharon Fitzpatrick)

No report was submitted

Retrieve, Retain, Recognize Committee Report (Debbie King)

Report Prepared By: Debbie King Date: 1-14-2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:

Sent out the Christmas wishes from the BOD to all members in an email blast.
Mentioned to Terina regarding the email blasts for membership renewal
Asking for re-wording to sound more inviting to members in the message.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
Improvement needed for the re-wording of the membership renewal email blasts.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
NONE
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
None
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
None



Shorthair Journal Report (Patty Busso/liaison-Liz Jennings)

Report presented by Liz

Social Media Report (Lynn Pettinato)

Report Prepared By: Lynn Pettinato Date: January 6, 2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report: Since receiving an email from Cynthia about how other dog clubs are utilizing their parent club Facebook page, I took proactive steps to follow the examples provided in the email. Thank you, Cynthia, for forwarding that email to me. The GSPCA Facebook page has boosted donation requests, field trial events and merchandise over the last 4 months to expand our reach. See attached spreadsheet of the GSPCA Facebook reach and expansion over the last 4 months.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes: As noted above. Also, I would like to proactively approve photos from users that I reach out to so that other GSPCA affiliated groups can use the photos in their email blasts, promotions and publications. I have only asked for the Facebook page so far.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline): Continue boosting posts as necessary, not to exceed \$25 per month in expenditures.
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): More photos, more articles and more ideas for daily GSPCA Facebook posts. Feedback from board members.
5. Action Items for Board consideration: None at this time



Sponsorship Report (Dean Goodding/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

No report was submitted

Standard Review Report (Christy Featherston/liaison-Dean Goodding)

No report was submitted

Water Test Report (Jean Bernier/liaison-Dean Goodding)

No report was submitted

Website Report (Missy Neal/liaison-Diane Prohaska)

No report was submitted

Yearbook Report (Debra Broad/liaison-Debbie King)

book is on track with finalization of ads end of the month.....new liaison is a tremendous help as was prior liaison.....coming up with a lot of new ideas for future interest

will have more of a report for next meeting after book released in May. Our book sales were very high in 2018 of current and prior books.....would like to boost ads in the future, especially from established kennels to gain interest of new owners etc.....discussed with liaison and can highlight to the board.....

just some thoughts.....

thanks again! Deb

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America, Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2018

Dec 31, 18

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Cash

Checking - Wells Fargo 11,040.81

NFT Checking - Wells Fargo 500.00

Regular Accounts

Money Market - Wells Fargo

GSP Genetic Research Fund 29,285.76

Money Market - Wells Fargo - Other 61,736.64

\$143,549

Total Money Market - Wells Fargo 91,022.40

Total Regular Accounts 91,022.40

Rescue Accounts

Rescue Checking - Wells Fargo 500.00

Rescue Money Mkt. - Wells Fargo 13,762.90

Total Rescue Accounts 14,262.90

Total Cash 116,826.11

Total Checking/Savings 116,826.11

*135,766
last year*

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable

Purina Parent Club Partnership 6,000.00

Total Accounts Receivable 6,000.00

Total Accounts Receivable 6,000.00

Other Current Assets

Other Current Assets

Prepaid Expenses -Other 400.00

Prepaid Postage - Journal 1,000.00

Specialty Show - National

Trophies - NSS BOB/Other 4,848.00

Trophies - NSS Plates 6,330.29

Specialty Show - National - Other 1,000.00

Total Specialty Show - National 12,178.29

Total Other Current Assets 13,578.29

Total Other Current Assets 13,578.29

Total Current Assets 136,404.40

TOTAL ASSETS 136,404.40

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable 105.99

Total Accounts Payable 105.99

Other Current Liabilities

Futurity Nominations

Futurity - Field (56th - 2019) 895.00

Futurity - Show (2019) 525.00

Total Futurity Nominations 1,420.00

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America, Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2018

	Dec 31, 18
Member Deposits	
Membership Dues	
Club - 2019	1,650.00
Total Membership Dues	1,650.00
Total Member Deposits	1,650.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,070.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,175.99
Total Liabilities	3,175.99
Equity	
Beginning Equity - 05/31/97	2,723.12
Restricted - Health and Welfare	29,285.76
Restricted - Rescue	14,262.90
Retained Earnings	86,337.86
Net Income	618.77
Total Equity	133,228.41
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	136,404.40

→ For 2018
up from
10% when
Terry
started

None of the events in 2018 were profitable.

2018 NSS lost \$1,800 - entries and fixed costs

2018 NFT lost \$5,500 - reduced entries and fixed costs

Entries	2017	2018	Inc./Dec.	lost Revenue
Amateur	95	80	(13)	
All Age	42	38	(4)	
Open	86	73	(13)	
Subtotal	223	193	(30)	x 200 = 6,000
Futurely	74	53	(21)	x 150 = 3,150
Total	297	246	(51)	<u>\$9,150</u>

Costs	2017	2018	Inc./Dec.
Breeds	\$12,346	\$9,162	(\$1,184)
Horses	\$4,950	\$4,682	(268)
Bechtel	\$15,034	\$15,311	277
Total	\$30,330	\$29,155	<u>\$1,175</u>

Hall Of Fame Dogs – report

There were no dogs nominated for Hall Of Fame/Field Dogs

I believe there has been a new form for nomination of HOF Field Dogs approved. I am not sure it is the one on the website.

Recently the Board has approved the new nomination guidelines Debbie King submitted. These were a collaboration between me and Debbie over the last year.

If these are approved, they need to be posted ASAP and an **announcement** made on the Home Page and in the Journal. If the HOF for dogs and people are to be an important part of the GSP as a breed more effort needs to be made in promoting it.

Committee Chair,
Mike Aldrich



German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America

BOD Meeting/January 2019

Committee Report

Committee:

Report Prepared By: Yvonne Hassler-Deterding/ Becky Feigh /Liaison- Lynn Pettinato

Date: Jan. 30, 2019

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
 - a. Working on Plans to make 2019 as Successful and Fun for all Juniors in attendance at our NSS
 - b. The NSS was a huge success with the Juniors. The trophies were Kangaroo Beaded Show leads for 1st place and Crate pads for 2nd thru 4th.
 - c. Provided outline changes for the Junior's page on website to Missy Neal- Webmaster. Proposed changes included making the page more informative to all Junior activities- Field, Show, Performance, etc.. Adding more resource information about all AKC Junior programs.
 - d. Reached out to Charlie Blackburn and Katie Tazza to discuss ways to promote Junior activities at NFT and other field/ hunt test venues.
 - e. Discussed ways to reach out to local GSP clubs to help reach Junior members.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
 - a. Determining if Fundraising and Scholarship to continue in the same was as formatted in the June 2017 Committee Report or change to a Specified Amount. Committee recommending a set amount of \$500 for Best Junior award at NSS
 - b. Continue to work with Webmaster to overhaul Junior section on website.
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
 - a. No loss – ongoing
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
 - a. Continued Fundraising:
 - b. Year around- add donor PayPal button
 - c. Create a lapel pin as a 'thank you for our donation'- \$20 donor receives lapel pin- similar to Take the Lead. Maybe have different levels of donor thank you items, lapel pin, shirt or hat, etc.. depending on the dollar amount donated?
 - d. National Specialty show- Large raffle items- i.e. Tack Box, or similar
 - e. National Specialty show- Rent a Ring. Obedience and or Conformation. \$5 for 5 minutes, etc. Available Evening to be determined evening - Run by Juniors or Junior Committee members.
 - f. Add Pee Wee class

g. National Specialty show- Clothes exchange stay on the agenda for future

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

1. Approval to offer a set amount of \$500 scholarship to Best Junior at NSS. (Monies raised by committee would fund the scholarship amount)
2. Website Updates
 - ADD PHOTOS!!! Show/Field/ Performance..... (Need to get group photos of Juniors at NSS)
 - List past Scholarship winners with a photo
 - Add Donation option to page via PayPal
 - List all members of Juniors Committee
 - Provide information and link to acquire AKC Junior Showmanship number
 - Provide links to AKC Junior Showmanship resource pages & AKC Junior Recognition Program
 - Create a Junior Hall of Fame.... i.e. Photos of Juniors that showed their GSP to Best Junior at the Garden.... we have had few!

On Going

Perpetual Trophy – still working on Base and Case

GSPCA Committee Job Responsibility and Protocol

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Committee Number and Makeup: Co-Chairs appointed by GSPCA Board

Remaining committee members selected by the Co-Chairs with input from the GSPCA Board and regional clubs, ideally one member per region

Committee Type: Ongoing

Committee Co-Chairs Term: 4 years each

Contact Person(s):

Scott Roker

Reports to: GSPCA Board by written report

GSPCA Equipment: None

Supplies Needed:

Computer and printer*

E-mail and Internet access*

* Not paid for by GSPCA

Overview

Create awareness of legislative issues on the national, state and local level affecting the GSP, including owners' and breeders' rights and the sports in which they participate. The methods currently employed are the GSPCA Website, E-mail Blasts, the Legislation Facebook page and articles in the journal. The board encourages the Legislative Chairs to seek additional ways to communicate to GSP owners.

Seek out and share organizations like NAIA, US Sportsmen's Alliance, etc. to gain information on Legislative issues affecting our breed. The board would be glad to provide a reasonable budget and supports educational efforts such as fees and expenses to attend Legislative Conferences. The AKC and NAIA have them periodically. We do ask that budget and expenses are approved in advance.

Every Chair brings different experiences to the position and the board generally supports creativity and new ideas.

Skills Required for Committee Co-Chairs:

Interest in Canine Legislative issues with the capability to keep up to date on information from a variety of sources on a Federal, State and Local basis. Ability to prepare written reports/articles suitable for updating the GSPCA board and membership on related activities for publication in the *Shorthair Journal* and on website and in social media.

Responsibilities and Protocols: Legislative

1. Proactively research Legislation and related activities that could negatively affect the GSPCA membership and their ability to pursue the activities for which GSP's were bred. Additionally keep aware of activities that may affect the ownership and breeding of pure bred dogs as well as dog ownership in general such as anti-hunting, anti-breeding or other anti-dog legislation.
2. Proactively provide information to the GSPCA membership and the Board regarding these activities through e-mail blasts, articles in the *Shorthair Journal*, the Legislative Facebook page or other social media, etc. The particular vehicle used should be chosen based on the time sensitivity and the audience affected (i.e. Federal legislation should go to all members; State and local issues only to those in the affected geographic area)
3. Respond in a timely manner to questions from the membership by answering personal letters, phone calls and/or e-mails from GSPCA members, or direct the member to a more appropriate source for assistance.
4. Attend conferences, seminars and webinars to increase knowledge. A written report or summary of a conference, seminar or legislator meeting should be submitted to the GSPCA Board and the *Shorthair Journal*. Participate in groups and organizations that specialize in issues related to dog related legislation with the purpose of sharing information gained with the GSPCA membership.
5. Any anticipated reimbursable expenses must be approved by the GSPCA Board in advance, and receipts will be requested.
6. The Committee will prepare a written summary of its activities, to be provided to the GSPCA Board of Directors in advance of their annual and midyear meetings. These will also be published in the *Shorthair Journal*.
7. The Committee will proactively seek articles relevant to Canine Legislation and suitable for the *Shorthair Journal*, gathering appropriate permissions before submitting. The Committee may also write articles or summaries of important legislation. The Committee will forward these articles to their GSPCA Board Liaison and the editor of the Journal. The Committee should plan to provide a minimum of four articles to the *Shorthair Journal* per year.
8. The Co-Chairs shall keep their GSPCA Board Liaison updated on an ongoing basis on their activities and contact them for any questions or concerns they may have.

9. Records including passwords, etc. should be maintained in a usable format that can easily be turned over to successors.
10. Co-chairs should promptly notify their GSPCA Board Liaison if they are unable to fulfill their responsibilities permanently or for an extended period of time. When a replacement has been appointed they should promptly turn over records and assist in the transition.

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Prepared By: Lorelei Dewe

Date: January 25, 2019

Database Manager

1) Provide a Brief Summary of the Event or Activity:

Membership Database management...

Pending Member number assignment,

Welcome letters generation

1) Indicate changes made to improve the Event or Activity from the previous six months or year (if any):

- a) Beginning of Membership involvement. Had to learn software and procedure with no idea what we didn't know.
- b) Updated numerous automated messages to current contact information. Will continue to update and restructure these messages with more pertinent and "friendly" communication.
- c) Revised many of the profile settings to enable improved ease of use.
- d) Extensive profile corrections to revise the numerous errors and enable Journal and other printer functions to operate more smoothly..

2) Clubs that were in danger of dissolution or becoming inactive because of serious financial and membership numbers difficulty. 2 clubs indicated on the Club Spreadsheet. (Same as last year).

NE Section – Diamond State

NC Section - Illinois

1) Membership counts – Refer to the Addendum i.e. membership lists..

2) Action Items for Board consideration:

- a) Explore upgrading Member Clicks to the latest version
 - i) Many functions will be available to us that currently aren't included. I have asked Member Clicks for a full list of features we don't currently have in our classic version.
 - ii) The upgraded version will prevent errors created by software misreporting expiration dates when payments are manually entered.
 - iii) Full description of the Member Clicks upgrade procedure and features sent individually.
(Quotes to be determined after approval)

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3) Membership lists: (Sent in individual emails)

A) All lists are sorted by Expiration, Section and Member Type

- i) Membership (voting memberships)
- ii) Juniors
- iii) Clubs
- iv) Pending approval
- v) Expired Members

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Memberships as of 01/10/2019 = 1769

Regular Memberships = 1542

Individual Membership = 922 (329) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (434) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (114) Pd Thru 12/2020
 (33) Pd Thru 12/2021
 (8) Pd Thru 12/2022
 (4) Pd Thru 12/2023

Family Membership = 620 (203) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (286) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (95) Pd Thru 12/2020
 (22) Pd Thru 12/2021
 (9) Pd Thru 12/2022
 (5) Pd Thru 2023

Merit Memberships = 167

Merit Individual Membership = 89 (14) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (56) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (14) Pd Thru 12/2020
 (4) Pd Thru 12/2021
 (1) Pd Thru 12/2022

Merit Family Membership = 79 (8) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (56) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (12) Pd Thru 12/2020
 (1) Pd Thru 12/2021
 (1) Pd Thru 12/2022
 (1) Pd Thru 12/2023

Life Memberships = 19 (4) HOF
 (3) HS
 (4) Life Family (LF)
 (8) Life Individual (LS)

Foreign Membership = 40 **(25) Foreign Individual** (6) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (10) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (6) Pd Thru 12/2020
 (3) Pd Thru 12/2021
 (1) Foreign Merit Family (1) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (14) Foreign Family (2) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (9) Pd Thru 12/2019
 (1) Pd Thru 12/2020
 (2) Pd Thru 12/2021

Honorary Memberships = 3

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Junior Membership = 32 (21) Pd Thru 12/2018
 (9) Pd Thru 2019
 (2) Pd Thru 2020

Junior Membership by Section **EC = 1**
 NC = 3
 NE = 5
 NW = 4
 SC = 5
 SE = 8
 SW = 5
 FF = 1

Membership by Section **EC = 179**
 NC = 268
 NE = 379
 NW = 197
 SC = 250
 SE = 254
 SW = 202
 FF = 40

Club Profiles – 65

NE = 12
 SE = 8
 EC = 6
 NC = 10
 SC = 7
 NW = 10
 SW = 12
 FF = n/a

Expired Club Profiles = 3

NC = 1
 SC = 2

2018 NFT Executive Committee Report

The 2018 National Field Trials were again held at the Bechtel Ranch in Eureka, KS beginning in mid-October and ending in early November 2018. This year we had 247 entries which was slightly lower than the mean average of 263 dogs over the past seven years. All in all, the committee felt that the trial was very successful, and ran smoothly with very few glitches.

After several years as Co-Chair of the NFT Executive Committee, Peter Wilkin has decided to step down, but will remain as an ex-official member of the committee. I want to personally thank Peter for his time on the committee, his assistance has always been critical to the success of the NFT. In Peter's place, the NFT Committee has appointed Kevin Temple to serve as Co-Chair with Phil Mathiowetz for 2019.

One issue that did arise was the necessity to hold a misconduct hearing. A complaint against three participants was filed and a hearing was held by the committee. As a result of testimony by all parties involved, the committee dismissed charges against one participant, and found the other two guilty of Conduct Prejudicial to the Sport. A report was filed with AKC, who promptly lost all of the information due to the wrong address required on their forms. Fortunately, the NFT Secretary had tracked our mailing and was able to recover it. AKC ultimately issued fines and a suspension to one participant, and a fine and reprimand to the other.

No other major issues arose during the trial.

We are requesting financial information from the Treasurer in the near future and will have a Profit and Loss statement, as well as a proposed budget for the 2019 NFT for the June meeting.

Preliminary efforts for the 2019 NFT have already begun and will accelerate in the near future.