German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting

Zoom Conference Call

June 27-28, 2025

STATE OF THE CLUB

President's Report June 2025

I want to thank the NSSEC for another successful NSS in Longview, WA. I attended the event for the full week. The idea of combining the awards dinner with the welcome party on Wednesday evening was well received. The exhibitors appreciated a fun evening to start the NSS. Congratulations to all the Annual Awards winners and the winners at the NSS!

The GSPCA Rescue Fund was used to assist several dogs in critical condition in Connecticut and Louisiana. With the help of our team and volunteers, the dogs have been vetted and relocated to secure locations. Thank you, Missy Neal, and Dean Browning, for making this happen and to Lynn Pettinato for placing all the information on the GSPCA Facebook page.

The work on the Running Rules continues and Becky and I are excited to have the BOD vote on the NSSEC rules at this meeting. I have also completed the initial review of the NAGDC rules and Vanessa will be presenting the rules to the BOD for their review.

I called Kevin Temple to ask for his suggestions on how the GSPCA BOD can better support the NFT. The success and profitability of the NFT is one of my priorities for the upcoming year. The rules for the upcoming Field Futurity were approved by the BOD and will continue as approved.

I continue to receive complaints about the outdated information on the website, Journal and not having all the BOD meetings on the website. I will need all the members of the BOD to assist with the effort to improve the ways we communicate with members.

Thank you to all our members who volunteer for all the programs and events the GSPCA has to offer! Please feel free to contact me or your local director with any questions or suggestions.

Karen Rooks Nauer

GSPCA President

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America

Treasurer's Report

Board Meeting – June 27-28, 2025

1. Cash on Hand (as of 05/31/25)

    A. Combined = **$128,799.13**

    B. Account Breakdown
        1) Disbursement (Chase) = **$3,989.10**
        2) NFT (Chase) = **$100.00**
        3) Disbursement (Wells Fargo) = **($1,298.89)**
        4) NFT (Wells Fargo) = **$1,000.00**
        5) Money Market (Wells Fargo) = **$125,000.92**
            a) Unrestricted = **$90,000.92**
            b) Restricted – Health and Welfare = **$20,000.00**
            c) Restricted – Rescue = **$15,000.00**

2. Subsequent Items
    A. National Specialty Show
        1) $7,711.66 in revenue for Barn Hunt and Scent Work
        2) Bill from Cowlitz Center for 36,830.65
    B. Rescue
        1) $5,816.81 for LA assistance
        2) $13,500.00 for NE assistance
        3) Rescue is underway by ($4,316.81)

3. Additional Discussion Items

4. Yearbook – Analysis for 2023 and 2024
    A. Sales = $3,975.50
    B. Ads = $3,531.
    C. Total Revenue = $7,506.60
    D. Production Costs = $2,162.15
    E. Printing Costs = $15,317.42
    F. Costs = $17,480.37
    G. Net Cost = ($9,973.77)

5. NFT Entry Trends

6. Bank Account Reconciliations as of 05/31/2025 – sent separately

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America, Inc.
Yearbook - Transaction Detail
January 2023 through December 2024

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Debit	Credit	Balance
Revenue - Club Operations							
Yearbook							
Advertising							
Deposit	05/31/2023		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Ads (PayPal)		2,465.60	2,465.60
Deposit	09/27/2024		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Ads		192.50	2,658.10
Deposit	12/31/2024		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Ads (PayPal)		873.00	3,531.10
Total Advertising					0.00	3,531.10	3,531.10
Sales							
Deposit	05/31/2023		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Sales (PayPal)		1,705.00	1,705.00
Deposit	09/27/2024		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Sales		50.50	1,755.50
Deposit	12/30/2024		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Sales		50.00	1,805.50
Deposit	12/31/2024		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Sales (PayPal)		164.00	1,969.50
Deposit	12/31/2024		GSPCA Yearbook	Yearbook - Sales (PayPal)		2,006.00	3,975.50
Total Sales					0.00	3,975.50	3,975.50
Total Yearbook					0.00	7,506.60	7,506.60
Total Revenue - Club Operations					0.00	7,506.60	7,506.60
Expenses - Club Operations							
Office Supplies							
Check	11/11/2023	214815	Board, Debra	Office Supplies - Yearbook	536.84		-536.84
Check	11/19/2024	225107	Broad, Debra	Supplies - Yearbook	116.00		-652.84
Total Office Supplies					652.84	0.00	-652.84
Other/Miscellanoeus							
Check	12/07/2024	225110	Broad, Debra	Refurbish Laptop - Yearbook	509.80		-509.80
Total Other/Miscellanoeus					509.80	0.00	-509.80
Postage/Shipping							
Check	01/14/2023	214591	Broad, Debra	Postage - Yearbook	546.56		-546.56
Check	11/11/2023	214815	Board, Debra	Postage - Yearbook	167.86		-714.42
Check	11/19/2024	225107	Broad, Debra	Postage - Yearbook	285.89		-1,000.31
Total Postage/Shipping					1,000.31	0.00	-1,000.31
Printing							
Bill	11/27/2023	73396	New England Duplicator	Printing - 2020/2021 Yearbook	8,651.34		-8,651.34
Bill	07/31/2024	74302	New England Duplicator	Printing - 2022 Yearbook	3,605.50		-12,256.84
Check	12/07/2024	225115	Papergraphics	Printing - 2023 Yearbook (100 Copies)	3,060.58		-15,317.42
Total Printing					15,317.42	0.00	-15,317.42
Total Expenses - Club Operations					17,480.37	0.00	-17,480.37
TOTAL					**17,480.37**	**7,506.60**	**-9,973.77**

Year	AGD	AA	OGD	Subtotal	Entry Fees	Inc./(Dec.)	Futurity
2020	74	49	104	227	$ 51,075.00		48
2021	97	57	96	250	$ 56,250.00	**$ 5,175.00**	39
2022	75	41	67	183	$ 41,175.00	**$ (15,075.00)**	41
2023	75	46	70	191	$ 42,975.00	**$ 1,800.00**	40
2024	55	50	49	154	$ 34,650.00	**$ (8,325.00)**	28

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _Corresponding Secretary_____

Report Prepared By: _Lynn Pettinato_____ Date: __May 18, 2025_____

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
   Responded to emails to the secretary email box. Distributed reports for events. Reviewed membership eligibility for events. Attended the National Specialty Show and filled in for the recording secretary and the treasurer. Sent treasurer and secretary reports to the appropriate personnel. Acted as liaison for a few committees.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes: None at this time

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline): None at this time.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): None at this time

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
   None at this time.

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Recording Secretary

Report Prepared By: Melissa Campbell **Date: June 24, 2025**

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
    - Set up conference calls for BOD, NSSEC, H&W, NAGDC, and NFT committees. Minutes are recorded on several calls and submitted to committee heads upon request.
    - Prepare agendas for all BOD Zoom meetings.
    - Prepare Agenda for 2025 NSS Membership and Delegates Meetings.
    - Secure committee and BOD reports for bi-annual meetings.
    - Finished the minutes that were behind. January 2025: current motion to approve. Draft copies of August 2024-December 2024 Monthly BOD Zoom Calls.
    - Send out motions for approval via email.
    - Send membership motions for vote if required.

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

   None at this time

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

   None at this time

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

   None at this time

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

   None at this time

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America

BOD Zoom Conference Call

August 14, 2024

The BOD held a meeting via Zoom on August 14, 2024. Presiding over the meeting was Sharon Fitzpatrick, President. The BOD meeting was called to order at 8:33 pm EST on August 14, 2024, and a roll call was made. Present were Sharon Fitzpatrick – President; Karen Nauer -Vice President; Lynn Pettinato – Corresponding Secretary; Melissa Campbell – Recording Secretary; Becky Feigh – East Central Section Director;; Vanessa Carmean – South Central Director; Fred Lowry - South East Director; Dan Schoenfelder - Southeast Director; Chris Fields – North Central Director and Dominic Pettinato - Northwest Director.

Dean Browning – Treasurer, and Tiffany Cessna – Northeastern Section Director were absent

Running Rules:
Karent Nauer discussed the need for committees to modify and update their running rules, using the National Field Trial template as a guide. Karen Nauer had already sent the template to all board members but expressed concern that some committees were resistant to the changes. Sharon Fitzpatrick assigned Fred Lowry the task of overseeing the process for the NAGDC, as he would soon be officially voted in. Becky Feigh, who is the liaison for the National Show Committee, planned to take a more hands-on approach with that group due to their significant behind-schedule. The team also discussed the need for a mission statement and judges' selection guidelines to be included in the running rules.

Motion: GSPCA Regional Specialty Show judges need a 3-month waiting period between assignments. Lynn made the motion, seconded by Melissa Campbell. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: Lynn Pettinato to update the GSPCA Regional Specialty show judge requirements.

DNA collection at Regional Specialty: Karen Nauer discussed the initiative by the new Health and Welfare Committee chair, Jane Yates, to collect DNA from regional specialties for research purposes. The first event will be the TN Fall cluster.

Action Item: Jane Yates to work with the Social Media committee to share upcoming events.

Fund Raising (Glassware/Coffee):
The team also discussed a potential partnership with a company offering to etch glassware in exchange for promoting their product. Still, concerns were raised about the profit margins and the need for further investigation.

Action Item: Melissa agreed to discuss these issues with the coffee company and report back to the board for a final decision.

Action Item: Lynn Pettinato will tap her Social media team to see their thoughts and collaboration ideas. Lynn will come back to us at our September meeting.

Membership:
Motion: Lynn Pettinato made a motion to enter executive session; Melissa Campbell seconded the motion. The meeting entered executive session at 9:34 pm EST. The meeting concluded the executive session at 9:47 p.m. EST.

The BOD discussed membership irregularities.

GSPCA Sportsmanship Award: This award was moved to Fred Lowry as the liaison.

Action Item: Fred Lowry to prepare an email blast and send it to Lynn Pettinato, requesting nominations from clubs and membership.

The BOD discussed putting the following people in charge of AKC Legacy Interviews for the AKC website.

Maxine Moiner for confirmation
Dominic Pettinato for NFT
Gene Mosely to share some past interviews.
HOF People as a starting point for some interviews
NAGDC – TBD

Action Item: Dominic Pettinato will take the lead, with Sharon Fitzpatrick assisting in developing a protocol and reaching out to Maxine Moiner.

Pending Members List Dated 8/4/24:
Motion to accept the list as submitted. Melissa Campbell made the motion, seconded by Vanessa Carmean. The motion carried unanimously.

Joe Venner is investigating central show sites for the NSS. Karen Nauer thought it would be a good idea to poll the membership for their thoughts on a central location.

Action Item: Karen Nauer to work with Becky Feigh to develop a list of questions for the central location for the NSS post survey.

NFT Logo: The team addressed communication issues between Daniel and a vendor, with the vendor claiming there were too many back-and-forth exchanges. A suggested solution was to establish a committee to improve communication. There was also confusion about the approval process for logos and artwork, with Jennifer Averett's request to be included in correspondence and committees related to her role as volunteer merchandise chairperson being discussed. The team agreed to review the contract to clarify the artwork and logo approval process and to include Jennifer Averett in all merchandise-related communications to ensure consistency and teamwork.

Action Item: Dan Schoenfelder to ensure Jennifer and Joan are included in merchandise communications in the future.

Action Item: Sharon Fitzpatrick, follow up with Dean Browning to see if he wants to be the merchandise liaison and if he knows anything about an SOP for merchandise.

Sharon Fitzpatrick passed on the information that Dick Dern has passed away. Sharon will get some information and put it in the journal.

Action Item: Melissa Campbell to put the website and website bids on the next meeting agenda.

Dominic Pettinato needs an answer from Lynn Pettinato and Karen Nauer on what they plan to do for re-election to the BOD.

Karen Nauer made the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:17 pm EST.

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Melissa Campbell
Recording Secretary
German Shorthaired Club of America

May 2025

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2024

A Zoom Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was held on September 2024. Presiding over the meeting was Sharon Fitzpatrick, President. The Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was called to order at 8:41 p.m. EST. A roll call was taken. Present were Sharon Fitzpatrick – President; Karen Nauer – Vice President; Dean Browning – Treasurer: Lynn Pettinato – Corresponding Secretary; Melissa Campbell – Recording Secretary; Becky Feigh – East Central Section Director; Vanessa Carmean – South Central Director; Fred Lowry – Southeast Director; Tiffany Cessna – Northeastern Section Director and Dominic Pettinato – Northwest Director.

Dan Schoenfelder, Southwest Section Director, was absent.

Chris Fields, North Central Director, joined the meeting at 8:43 p.m. EST.

GSPWI Regional Specialty: – Event Date 2/23/25, Judge: Gary Anderson
Motion: To allow the GSPWI to hold the regional specialty. Motion made by Lynn Pettinato, seconded by Becky Feigh. The motion carried unanimously.

Deborah Longtin Computer Request –
Action Item: Tiffany will ask Rick Peterson if he is willing to consult with Deb Broad/Deb Longtin about ways to find something that meets her needs at a lower price.

Deb Broad submitted a receipt for work done on the computer.
Motion: To approve the expense submitted by Deb; however, any future expenses must be approved by the BOD before spending any money. Motion made by Melissa Campbell. Second by Fred Lowry. The motion carried unanimously.

Social Media Committee:
Review of surveys to the membership – Sharon Fitzpatrick

Action item: Karen Nauer will add a template for the running rules for all national events.

H&W 501c3 Proposal—Karen Nauer discusses the H&W wanting to put together a 501c3.The committee's proposal includes a governance structure with a mix of GSPCA and Health and Welfare members. The team also discussed the potential benefits and drawbacks of the Golden Retriever Club 501(c)(3) status, which has been successful for them. The team also discussed the allocation of funds for health and wellness and the potential of other breed clubs presenting to them and sharing their experiences with fundraising for the Canine Health Foundation. The BOD needs to understand how the two boards are different and how the interaction works. The BOD agreed to gather more information before making any decisions.

Action Item: Karen Nauer to go back to the H&W Committee to get additional details.

Gun Raffle for NAGDC (donation from June Johnston) – The team discussed the logistics and legalities of raffling off a gun as a fundraiser. Fred explained the legal aspects of transferring a gun through a Federal firearms license dealer and the need to check state laws. The team considered selling raffle tickets online and shipping the gun directly to the winner through an approved Federal firearms license dealer.
Motion: A motion was made and seconded to proceed with the plan, with the understanding that all transfers would be conducted through an FFL and that background checks would be conducted. Fred Lowry, if the sales are all done online, and an FFL dealer is involved. Karen makes the motion. Dean seconded. The motion

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carried unanimously.

Relationship with Southern Distillery: If the company is willing to donate products for national events, we offer advertising in our journal. The product would then be donated as a trade item.

Action item- Fred will develop a proposal and report back to the BOD at our next meeting.

NAGDC Progress Report - Fred Lowry provided an overview: They now have a full committee ready to work and accomplish tasks for the 2025 and 2026 events. Fred will follow up with the BOD on any future needs.

Membership List Dated 9/9/24: Motion to approve the list dated 9/9/24 as presented. Motion made by Melissa Campbell; Dean Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Dues Increase: Sharon Fitzpatrick will write a full page in the journal about the dues increase. The website and Members' click will need to be updated for renewal. The journal will publish the next issue in the next issue.

Lynn will discuss with the membership chair when and how the trigger will be pulled. The membership will know of the increase by the beginning of October.
Action Item: Melissa Campbell will send out an email detailing the cost increase.
Becky will work with Missy to prepare the background, allowing them to proceed with the next steps.
Lynn to work with the membership chair on Members Click.

Running Rules Update: Becky Feigh, Vanessa Carmean, Karen Nauer, and Fred Lowry will work offline, and we will discuss the running rules for NSSEC in our Oct 9, 2024, BOD Zoom call. NAGDC Nov 2024, NFT in January 2025.
NFT – Dan Schoenfelder
NSSEC – Becky Feigh
NAGDC – Vanessa Carmean

Action Item: Melissa Campbell to add website/Missy Neal discussion to next meeting agenda.

Social Media Update: Lynn Pettinato. Shared that we are now an affiliate of Snoozer Bed Pet Products and will provide a discount code for our website. We can convert website followers to members by offering them perks to offset their membership.

Action Item: Sharon Fitzpatrick will ask Garmin/Purina if they would be willing to offer perks.

Outstanding Action Items – Sharon Fitzpatrick

Motion to adjourn made by Fred Lowry. Meeting adjourned at 10:31 pm EST.

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Melissa Campbell
Recording Secretary
German Shorthaired Club of America

June 2025

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German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2024

A Zoom Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was held on October 9, 2024. Presiding over the meeting was Sharon Fitzpatrick, President. The Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was called to order at 8:35 p.m. EST. A roll call was taken. Present were Sharon Fitzpatrick – President; Karen Nauer – Vice President; Lynn Pettinato – Corresponding Secretary; Becky Feigh – East Central Section Director; Vanessa Carmean – South Central Director; Fred Lowry – Southeast Director; Chris Fields - North Central Director; and Dominic Pettinato – Northwest Director.

Dean Browning – Treasurer, Melissa Campbell- Recording Secretary, Tiffany Cessna – Northeastern Section Director, and Dan Schoenfelder – Southwest Section Director were absent.

Running Rules Update: This project will take some time to get right. Karen Nauer has a goal of having the running rules for the three national events as similar as possible to avoid any confusion.

A discussion was held about the possibility of allowing clubs to vote electronically on event locations, especially for the National Specialty Show. They agreed to consider further this idea and the club's role in decision-making processes. The team also addressed the challenges of the current site selection process for national events and proposed a new method in which clubs would submit their preferred sites in advance. They planned to target January to send site options to clubs, with a response deadline in February for the National Specialty Show. Vanessa Carmean and Fred Lowry would provide timing for the NAGDC, while Dan Schoenfelder would provide timing for the NFT site selection.

Karen Nauer called out the timing for budgets for all national events. Preliminary budgets are due to the Board of Directors (BOD) six months before the event. Final budgets are due three months before the event, and final financial reports are due one month following the event.

The chairperson and co-chairperson are named in the running rules. The NAGDC committee did a great job of this in their bylaws. For clarity, a committee can replace the chair and the vice chair with additional working members. They vote on a chair and a vice chair. The group would then ask Lynn Pettinato, as the corresponding secretary, to send out an email blast seeking a replacement from that region with a short timeline for response, in case the need arises.

A process for selecting judges for both the NAGDC and NFT needs to be established to expand the list of qualified judges for national events. There is a system in place for the NSS with a list of competent judges to vote for.

Lastly, the importance of inviting liaisons to meetings was also emphasized, with the decision to include this in the running rules.

Action Item: Karen Nauer, flesh out the details of the running rule changes discussed and bring them back to the next meeting.

Stats from Joe Venner: Stats Team Summary Report

Reviews were conducted with all members of the Stats Team. Overall, each member follows a process that aligns with AKC stats or uses a modified system that better reflects overall performance by implementing a point system to prioritize stronger performances. Each Stats reporter also verifies that the dogs and owners included in the reports or awarded titles are members of the GSPA based on the March 31st deadline of the current year.

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- **Obedience & Rally** (Belinda Venner): Results from AKC. Sorted by regular classes with points assigned to each score per a long-established process. Spreadsheet posted to Performance GSP group. Top 10 and top 20 sent to GSPCA
- **Agility** (Beth Janos): Results from AKC. Points are calculated based on qualification runs (double Q's) and times under course time. The method aligns with the AKC approach to ranking MACH dogs as well as the Invitational rankings. The excellent level is calculated in the same way as the Master level. Game classes and premier classes are not calculated or published.
- **Conformation** (Tiffany Cessna): Pulled directly from AKC.
- **Field** (Rick Petersen): Pulled from AKC reports. Uses points assigned to stake placements to rank according to the established process.
- **New Titles:** (Karen Josephson) Lynn Pettinato provides a list of title holders that is sorted and then placed into a Word document for publication**.**
- **Annual Awards** (Tiffany Cessna): Based on input from the Stats person for the area.

All Stats Team members demonstrated a thoughtful approach to compiling the statistics, recognizing that accuracy and visibility were key to a successful process. However, there are a couple of recommendations to improve the processes that are listed below for your consideration:

Action Item: Karen Nauer to get the detailed calculation methodology from Joe Venner to Becky Feigh to place on the website

Membership Due Increase: Sharon shared feedback on the membership dues increases and the lifetime membership program, as well as how members will receive the journal. Overall, the feedback has been positive.

Membership questions for NFT Futurity: The Board of Directors (BOD) discussed the need for more explicit rules and dates for nominations.

Action Item: Lynn Pettinato will follow up with Terry Bomer to verify the eligibility of the members and breeders.

Action Item: Karen Nauer will revise the rules to include specific dates to prevent similar issues in the future.

Membership List dated 10/9/24: Motion: To accept the pending members list dated 10/9/24 as presented. Motion made by Karen Nauer, seconded by Chris Fields. The motion carried unanimously.

Centralized Site for the NSS: Joe Venner explored Purina Farms as a possible central location. The only time Purina Farms is available is in July. However, due to the heat and travel restrictions, this will not be a viable option.

Motion to adjourn made by Vanessa Carmean. The meeting adjourned at 10:28 pm EST.

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German Shorthaired Club of America

June 2025

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German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 13 , 2024

A Zoom Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was held on November 13, 2024. Presiding over the meeting was Sharon Fitzpatrick, President. The Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was called to order at 8:35 p.m. EST. A roll call was taken. Present were Sharon Fitzpatrick – President; Karen Nauer – Vice President; Lynn Pettinato – Corresponding Secretary; Melissa Campbell – Recording Secretary; Becky Feigh – East Central Section Director; Vanessa Carmean – South Central Director; Fred Lowry – Southeast Director; Chris Fields - North Central Director; Tiffany Cessna – Northeastern Section Director; and Dan Schoenfelder – Southwest Section Director.

Dominic Pettinato – Northwest Director, and Dean Browning – Treasurer were absent.

Pending Membership List Dated 11/8/24: Motion: Karen Nauer made the motion to accept the list as submitted, seconded by Dan Schoenfelder. The motion carried unanimously.

2024 NFT Futurity: It has been determined that the winner of the 2024 NFT Futurity was not eligible because the breeder of the litter was not a member of the GSPCA when the litter was nominated. The following motion was made. Motion: The breeder of the litter was not a GSPCA member at the time of the litter nomination; therefore, the litter was not eligible to run in the 2024 NFT Futurity. Motion made by Karen Nauer, seconded by Vanessa Carmean. The motion carried by the majority.

It was further decided that since the dog was not eligible to compete, the 1st place will be withheld for the official record.

Action Item: Sharon Fitzpatrick and Dan Schoenfelder will discuss offline on how to handle notification ot the dog owner and breeder.

The meeting entered executive session at 9:25 pm EST. The meeting concluded the executive session at 9:33 p.m. EST.

Motion: The GSPCA will proceed in a different direction regarding the NFT Futurity position, effective immediately. The motion was made by Vanessa Carmean, seconded by Melissa Campbell. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: Sharon Fitzpatrick and Dan Schoenfelder will discuss offline on who will contact Terry Bomer about the transition.

The Board of Directors (BOD) will reach out to Holly Faught to see if she would be willing to take on the NFT Futurity position temporarily.

Bechtel Ranch/NFT Update: Daniel Schoenfelder shared that the event likely incurred a loss, despite efforts to minimize expenses. The group discussed the need for a new venue, as the current lease with the Bechtel ranch is set to expire soon. Sharon suggested that a detailed financial report from Dean would be necessary to make informed decisions. The idea of forming a strategic committee to explore new directions for the NFT event was proposed by Karen Nauer, with Dan Schoenfelder agreeing to take the lead on this initiative. The committee's mission would be to envision a new future for the NFT event, considering factors such as profitability and attendee engagement.

Action Item: Dan Schoenfelder will take the lead on forming the NFT Strategic Committee.

Webmaster Position: The team discussed the need to move forward with a new person for website management. They agreed to put out an RFP to find a new person, possibly not a GSPCA member, to ensure neutrality and accountability. The team also discussed the need for a transition plan and training for the new person.

Action Item: Sharon Fitzpatrick, Becky Feigh, and Vanessa Carmean were tasked with forming a committee to create an RFP and find a suitable candidate, with a deadline set for January 2025.

Sportsmanship Award: The sportsmanship award was discussed, with Fred Lowry and Karen Nauer expressing their support for Karen Niffenegger as the recipient.

Motion: Motion to accept Karen Niffenegger as the winner of the GSPCA Sportmanship Award. Motion made by Lynn Pettinato, seconded by Karen Nauer. The motion carried unanimously.

North Central Director Position: Jeff Wallace has been nominated for the North Central Director position, which Chris Fields will vacate at the end of his term.

Motion: To accept the nominating committee recommendation for Jeff Wallace as the candidate for the North Central Director position. Motion made by Vanessa Carmean, seconded by Chris Fields. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: Dominic Pettinato will update the complete list for inclusion in the upcoming journal issue.

Dual Trophy Invoice: Vanessa Carmean agreed to pay the outstanding invoice on her credit card, with Dean Browning reimbursing her directly.

Action Item: Dean Browning to have a second club credit card issued to Karen Nauer.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Lynn Pettinato made the motion. The meeting adjourned at 10:29 pm EST.

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June 2025

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
Board of Directors Zoom Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2024

A Zoom Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was held on December 11, 2024. Presiding over the meeting was Sharon Fitzpatrick, President. The Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. EST. A roll call was taken. Present were Sharon Fitzpatrick – President, Dean Browning – Treasurer, Lynn Pettinato – Corresponding Secretary, Melissa Campbell – Recording Secretary, Becky Feigh – East Central Section Director, Vanessa Carmean – South Central Director, Fred Lowry- Southeast Director, and Dominic Pettinato -Northwest Section Director.

Karen Nauer – Vice President, Chris Fields- North Central Director, Dan Schoenfelder – Southwest Section Director, and Tiffany Cessna – Northeastern Section Director were absent.

The BOD reviewed the outstanding Action Item list:

January 2022

Sharon Fitzpatrick/Ed Brock will write the process for the members-only section, which outlines how suspended or expelled members are handled. - **Not Done**

January **2024**

Terry Bomer will provide Missy Neal with information about historical NFT placement, and then Missy Neal will upload the documents to the website. **Obselete**

Becky Feigh will have Missy Neal put together a list of the website's traffic analytics, both overall and by page. **Not Done**

Becky Feigh will follow up with Missy Neal to be sure Lynn Pettinato has access to the website and can receive training. **In Progress**

The Junior Committee will develop a communication strategy to take to the GSP clubs for Junior's activities. **Done**

Sharon Fitzpatrick will revamp the email blast for a Journal Editor and have Lynn Pettinato send it to the membership. **Done**

Tiffany Cessna is to ask Deb Broad about going digital with the yearbook. **Not Done**

Sharon Fitzpatrick investigates the impact of printing for the journal. **Done**

Mike Kindler needs to engage Gene for an update on the Bird Dog Museum. **Not Done, reassigned to Chris Fields**

The committee liaison will ask the NFT, NAGDC, Agility, Obedience, etc., committees to develop judging qualifications for national events and a path forward for judges to judge national events. **Move to running rules**

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Dean Browning let Jeri Fishback know that she can no longer hold the event in New York due to financial reasons. **Done**

Fred Lowry will talk to June Johnston about the agility event for MSSU TN. **Done**

Becky Feigh will communicate with the NSSEC Chair to remind them to include other committee heads (agility, obedience/rally, top 25, merchandise, etc.) on occasional conference calls for event updates. **Done**

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Dean Browning will put together a schedule on when budgets for any committee that spends or makes money must be submitted to the BOD. **Not Done** **Action Item: Dean Browning to communicate to Karen Nauer to include a 60-day before-event notice for the budget of the event in the revised Running Rules.**

Lynn Pettinato to AKC from the GSPCA on the Protect the Children training with suggestions on file complaints, easier background checks, etc. **Done**

Dan Schoenfelder is to return to the NFT committee to discuss reducing the number of trophies given. No need to do 1st- 4th place, and no need for all four placements for futurity since they are getting money. **Not Done**

Dan Schoenfelder is to call out for Marshall's help to control the gallery for safety reasons. **Not Done**

Dan Schoenfelder will inform Mike Aldrich that he needs to get pictures and write about HOF Dog for the Journal. **Done**

Vanessa Carmean/Fred Lowry to develop a Junior event for the 2025 NAGDC. **Will discuss with the committee and report back to the BOD**

Dean Browning to verify if he has received the AKC stipend from MTB. **Done**

Lynn Pettinato's Social Media Committee will prepare a guide for all social media posts at national events. **Not Done**

The committee liaisons will share the guidelines prepared by Lynn Pettinato with all national event committees. **Not Done**

Tiffany Cessna will communicate to Deb Broad that only GSPCA members should receive cards for the yearbook and that you must be a member when the book is published. **Not Done**

Tiffany Cessna will share the cost of publishing the yearbook with Deb Broad, and the committee needs to prepare a budget moving forward. **Not Done**

Bechtel Lease Renegotiation – The team discussed the Bechtel lease renegotiation, with Fred expressing the need to examine the expenses and renegotiate the lease. Dean mentioned that this year's National Field Trial is expected to incur losses due to a decline in entries and suggested a sliding scale for the number of days they are present. Fred proposed understanding what they're paying for and possibly receiving a credit if no perks are provided. Dean agreed to gather more information about the lease and the commitment date. The team decided to postpone further discussion on the topic until January, when they would have more facts and figures.

Pending Membership - The committee discussed the pending membership of an individual who had resigned from a committee and subsequently failed to renew their membership. Concerns were raised about behavior and the potential impact on the club. After a discussion, Dean Browning made a motion to accept the individual's membership, seconded by Dominic Pettinato. The motion carried unanimously.

Website RFP – Becky Feigh is working on it and plans to have it completed by the January 2025 Board of Directors (BOD) meeting. Becky Feigh will also consult with other people to ensure it captures the essence of the project.

NFT Futurity **Update** – Sharon Fitzpatrick discussed the NFT Futurity. The Board of Directors agreed that Holly Faught will update the forms, and Becky Feigh will ensure that Missy Neal receives the information on the website.

Southern Distillery Update – Fred discussed his interaction with Southern Distillery representative who expressed interest in offering free product for silent auctions at events. Fred suggested the representative could have cards available for online orders. Any donation received can be used to generate additional income for events for which the donation was received.

Danny Quest Trophies – A discussion was held regarding the slow response from Danny Quest to orders and the need to seek alternative vendors for trophy orders. Dean Browning confirmed that payment has been made.

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Action Item: Melissa to follow up with Danny Quest on NAGDC order.

Action Item: Becky to confirm that the NSSEC has received all orders to date.

Garmin Contract Renewal: Sharon Fitzpatrick discussed the renewal of the Garmin contract, which currently provides $3,000 cash annually and three collars for the events. The board has decided to continue with the current contract for this year, with the possibility of reconsidering other offers next year.

Dean Browning made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm EST.

SECRETARY's CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Board of Directors meeting held December 11, 2024.

Melissa Campbell June 2025
Recording Secretary
German Shorthaired Club of America

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German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: ____East Central Regional Director Report_____

Report Prepared By: ____Becky Feigh_____ Date: _____06/07/2025_____

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
    1. *Answered questions regarding breeding/ health clearance information- directed to website.*
    2. *Answered questions regarding individuals looking for puppies- referred to several local breeders*
    3. *Participated in GSPCA Monthly BOD calls: Feb., Mar., Apr., May*
    4. *NSSEC Committee Liaison:*
        a. *Participated in 6 NSSEC Committee conference calls as the BOD liaison.*
        b. *Assisted with the 2025 NSS budget*
        c. *Assisted with finding 2027 NSS show locations*
        d. *Assisted with providing data for the 2026 NSS budget*
    5. *Assisted with the coordination of the Annual Awards Dinner during Nationals this year*
    6. *Participated in GSPCA Event Running Rule Revisions Sub-committee coordination calls.*
        a. *Assisted with revisions and re-formatting final document*
    7. *Participated in Junior Committee conference calls. Help develop action items for the Committee*
    8. *Coordinated Junior Activities for the upcoming NSS in Longview, WA, IL: Juniors welcome lunch, hands on seminar, Pee Wee event.*
    9. *Assisted coordinating website updates with Webmaster*
    10. *EC Regional Club Updates (clubs that provided an update)*
        a. *<u>GSPC of Middle TN</u>: 21 members, Specialty show Apr. 26 & 17, GSPCA Agility Feb 27-Mar 2 , (500+ entries per day), Future events- 2 specialties in Oct.*
        b. *<u>GSPC of IN</u>: 22 members, held 2 successful Hunt Tests this past spring, 44 starters each day. Future Events: 2 HT in Sept, Specialty Show Feb. 2026*
        c. *<u>GSP of MI</u>: Held FT- May 10 & 11- 75 entries, Future events: Specialty Show July 4 & 5*
        d. *<u>Buckeye GSPC</u>: Held FT -Apr. 19-20 – 117 entries. Future events- none*
        e. *<u>GSPC of OH</u>: Held Ft- Apr 26 & 27- 82 entries. Future events: 2 Specialty shows Aug. 1 & 3*
        f. *<u>Lansing GSPC</u>: Future Events: none listed yet*
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
    a. *Shifting the Annual Awards event to start of the NSS received a positive response. Had the largest attendance in several years -approx. 160 attendees. The Awards Dinner Committee attempted to keep the dinner costs down and kept the event casual and fun. Tiffany & Lynn did a great job with the awards brochure and the QR code. That was well received and a lot of positive responses.*
    b. *Request to consider trying having the Awards dinner at the start of NSS for next year*
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
   N/A

   Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
   N/A
4. Action Items for Board consideration:
   N/A

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
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Committee Report

Committee: _____SE Director_____

Report Prepared By: ___Fred Lowry_____ Date: ___6/21/2025_____

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

Attending/participating in GSPCA FT events including GSP Club of S. Georgia, GSP Club of Middle Virginia.
Fielding various calls from GSPCA Members

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

None

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

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

NA

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _____SC Director_____

Report Prepared By: ___Vanessa Carmean_____ Date: ____06/02/25____

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

I have taken 34 calls/emails for the 2025 NAGDC for handler questions and requirements
I attended 3 show specialties and participated as well
I attended a scent work trial in my region (OK)
I attended 6 field trials in my region (MO, TX, KS, OK)
Participated in all 17 NAGDC Exec Calls as the Liaison
I attended 1 water test in TX

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

NAGDC is 90% done with Running Rule changes and will go back to NAGDC Exec Committee for approval soon

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

NA

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

NA

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

AKC Delegate Report - June Johnson

No Report Submitted

NATIONAL EVENTS COMMITTEES

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _National Specialty Show Executive Committee (NSSEC)_____

Report Prepared By: _Kim Abbott & Jennifer Murphy_ Date: _____06/20/2025_____

Liaison: Becky Feigh

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
   a) *2025 NSS in Longview, WA- May 5-11, 2025, at the Cowlitz County Event Center.*

      i). Event entries turned out better than anticipated and the weather cooperated!!! The addition of Scent Work, FastCat and Barn Hunt was well received, and the local dog performance group came out and supported these events. This support really helped with the Obedience and Rally entries. Overall the event ran smoothly with only a few minor hiccups that the NSSEC addressed. K. Abbott and K. Niffengegger kept a close eye on additional on-site expenditures and were quick to address and seek approvals for additional costs or provide alternatives to keep the cost down.

      ii) Karen Niffenegger served as on-site show chairman (and cook) and Gerti Orta Obedience Chairperson. BaRay was the superintendent and did a great job with the catalogs. Karen Burgess was to be the on-site show secretary but due to her spouse being ill sent another person in her place. There was a coordination issue with the equipment that Karen sent not being the correct equipment package. Members scrambled to make do with the number of mats provided and O/R equipment and gating. Big thanks goes to Geri Orta, David Nauer, Thersa Rost and Garrett Schauer for assisting with the equipment and making the best of the situation.

      iii). Derrick & Jennifer Averitt handled the merchandise on-site and did a great job managing credit sales on site. Merchandise made $5,269.83 in profit for the 2025 NSS. This is $852.21 from 2024 NSS profit of $4,417.62.

      iv). The Annual Awards dinner held on Wednesday May 7th had close to 160 attendees this year- the largest in a long time. We received lots of positive feedback about making the event affordable to attend, the door prizes and overall fun atmosphere. D. & L. Pettinato helped check people in while T. Duff helped pass out the welcome bags.

      v. O. Miranda and his wife oversaw the various raffles and did a great job organizing the general and club basket raffles. The raffles, including the dog cuts and planters brought in close to $6325 for the bottom line. The dog cut out and planters were made by K. Abbott's spouse and children. To address the persistent problem of communication, D. Prohaska is serving as chairperson of communications, managing the FB announcements and schedules. The committee has expressed their dislike about the current GSPCA event page. They would like more control and would like more engagement opportunities.

      vi. Overall the event was successful and I want to thank the Committee members in attendance- D. Averitt, T. Duff, O. Miranda, J. Murphy, D. Prohaska for pulling things together and B.A. Heffelfinger who was collecting the results and posting from home.

2. Delegates Meeting: Meeting was held 5/8/2025:
   a. *NSSEC Member elections- NE nominations were open to the floor and none were made from the floor. The NSSEC sent out an email blast to members in that section seeking individuals interested.*
   b. *SE- Jennifer Murphy elected to run again for another term and was approved.*
   c. *Discussed 2027 show locations- see below*

3. NSSEC Member Updates:
    a. *First want to thank Diane Prohaska for all of her efforts over the last few years.*
    b. At the 6/18/2025 conference call- J. Murphy was elected the Chairperson, T. Duff Co-Chair
    c. *Discussed candidates for NE and selected Jaimie Reinhard to fill the opening*
    d. *Committee added Susan Massart from the SE to assist J. Murphy*
    e. *Committee will review adding someone from the NC since T. Duff has stepped up as the co-chair this year*
4. Running Rule Updates:
    a. A sub-committee- D. Prohaska, T. Duff, K. Abbott , K. Nauer worked through the revisions after receiving feedback from members, NSSEC and input from the GSPCA RR subcommittee. A revised version was submitted back to the NSSEC 06/06/2025 for final review.
    b. NSSEC held a conference call 6/18 and made some minor revisions regarding judge qualifications
5. 2027 Judge Selection
    a. Based on the popular vote below are the judges for 2027
        a. Breed: 1- Sioux Forsyth-Green, 2- Jason Hoke, 3- Pluis Davern, 4- Margie Wilson, 5- Dana Cline (declined due to lack of dates) 6- Sharon Dattilio
        b. Futurity: 1- Dorthea Vooris-Hand, 2- Barb McNeil, 3- Leanne Farrell (did not respond), 4- Jane Handschumaker, 5- Charlie Edwards (declined)
        c. Sweeps: 1- (Dorthea Vooris-Hand -elected to judge Futurity) Mary Morris, 2- Jane Handschumaker, 3- Tina McDonnell, 4- Jody Paquette (did not respond), 5-Denise Avery
6. 2027 Central Section Show sites
    a. B. Feigh presented 6 sites at the Delegates meeting and discussed the pros and cons of each site and explained the proposed new selection process in the revised NSS Running Rules. At the Delegates meeting, the delegates wanted to vote on the sites now and narrowed down the sites to Peoria, IL, South Sioux City, NE and a site brought up during the Delegates Meeting- Blaine, MN.
    b. NSSEC reviewed the sites in greater detail during their 6/18/25 conference call. The Blaine, MN site presented at the Delegates meeting, after discovery was removed from the list due to the inability to host dog events at the facility. The committee reviewed Peoria, IL, South Sioux City, NE, Ownesboro, KY and Hot Springs, AR. After discussion the committed selected Peoria, IL.

7. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes:
    a. *Keeping the Awards Dinner at the start of the Nationals- Wednesday.*
    b. *NSSEC is going to shift the committee terms/ elections back so they once again coordinate with the section that the event is being held at. (I.E. When NSS is the East region- the NSSEC member from the NE and SE will be open for nominations, etc.) The committee approved this decision on their 6/18/2025 conference call.*

8. Financial Summary and planned future budget:
    a. *D. Browning still working on the final summary for 2025*
    b. *An 2026 budget will be sent soon. Committee is seeking proposals for show superintendent and equipment rental costs*

9. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
    a. *Show Dedications- the committee is wanting to hold the 2026 NSS in Memory of Cheryl Browning and Dot Simberlund. See attached information.*
    b. *Finalization of revised Running Rules*

10. Action Items for Board consideration:
    a. *Approval of NSS Running Rule revisions*
    b. *Approval of new Committee members- Jaimie Reinhard, Susan Massart*
    c. *Approval of show dedications- Cheryl Browning, Dot Simberlund*
    d. *Approval of 2027 NSS site location- Peoria, IL*

Revised: June 23 2025

Mission Statement

German Pointer Club of America's mission is to host an exceptional National Specialty Show event that showcases the excellence of the German Shorthaired Pointer breed. The GSPCA is dedicated to honoring the breed's conformation, while fostering camaraderie among GSP enthusiasts. Through our commitment to high standards and sportsmanship, the GSPCA aims to preserve, and promote the integrity and heritage of the German Shorthaired Pointer.

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I - National Specialty Show:

A. National Specialty Show: The German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America (GSPCA) shall sponsor and hold a National Specialty Show, GSPCA Regional Show, Futurity, Sweepstakes, Obedience Trials, Rally Trials, Junior Showmanship and other related activities here in after referred to as the National Specialty Show (NSS).

1. All activities surrounding the National Specialty Show shall be conducted and governed by the National Specialty Show Executive Committee (NSSEC) and the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Board of Directors (GSPCA BOD).

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2. GSPCA Member Club specialty shows, and/or AKC performance and companion events may be held in conjunction with the National Specialty Show with the approval of the NSSEC and the GSPCA BOD.
3. The National Specialty Show dates to be determined by the NSSEC, with preference given to the months of May and/or April.
4. The National Specialty Show schedule is to be determined by the NSSEC, with a preference to encompass at least one (1) weekend day.
5. All aspects of the National Specialty Show shall be subject to the approval and direction of the Board of Directors of the GSPCA.
6. The National Specialty show and all associated events are open to all exhibitors in good standing with the AKC except for those events requiring GSPCA membership to enter- i.e. Show Futurity and Top 25 competition.

B. Event Location: The National Specialty Show shall be held on a rotating basis among three geographic regions of the country as follows or a central location for multiple years may be considered:

1. East (comprised of the following sections):
   - Northeastern: CT, DE, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
   - Southeastern: AL, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV, DC
2. Central (comprised of the following sections):
   - North Central: IA, IL, MN, NE, ND, SD, WI
   - South Central: AR, KS, LA, MS, MO, OK, TX
   - East Central: OH, IN, KY, MI, TN
3. West (comprised of the following sections):
   - Northwestern: AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY, that portion of CA with postal zip codes 93600 and above. • Southwestern: AZ, CO, HI, NV, NM, UT and that portion of CA with postal zip codes of 93599 and below.
4. A central location for multiple years may be considered pending GSPCA BOD approval.

C. Event Location Selection: The site of the National Specialty Show shall be reviewed, a minimum of two years prior to the event date.

1. Prior to a recommendation, the NSSEC will coordinate with the GSPCA Corresponding Secretary and request by email the Member Club secretaries to provide recommendations for sites in the designated region. The NSSEC will provide the Member Club Secretaries with site criteria to ensure the recommended sites meet the requirements. A minimum of one month will be given for their feedback.
2. Once feedback is received the NSSEC members will review and make a recommendation with at least two site location options. The initial recommendations will be sent by the NSSEC to the GSPCA BOD for preliminary approval.

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3. The site location options, once reviewed by the GSPCA BOD, will be sent by the Corresponding Secretary to the Member Club Secretaries for email voting. The results will be tallied by the Corresponding Secretary and sent to the Chairperson of NSSEC.
4. The NSSEC will then review, make a final site selection, negotiate details/ schedule and prepare a final contract with the site location facility.
5. All final site location details will be presented by the NSSEC to the GSPCA BOD for final approval prior to site contracts being finalized. In the event of the inability to hold the NSS at the location as selected, the NSSEC can select an alternate location with final approval of the GSPCA BOD.
6. Upon final approval by the GSPCA BOD, the NSSEC Chairperson will direct the GSPCA Webmaster to post the location and tentative dates on the website.

D. Show Finances: The financing of the National Specialty Show shall be the responsibility of the GSPCA.

1. The NSSEC will be responsible for preparing an event budget. The budget for the NSS will be submitted a minimum of ninety (90) days prior to the NSS by the NSSEC to the GSPCA BOD for review. All event expenditures not in the original budget require NSSEC Chairperson and GSPCA Treasurer approval prior to the expenditure being made.
2. All other NSS events-i.e. Agility, Top 25, FastCat, Scentwork, etc., associated with the NSS, Committee Chairs shall prepare a budget and submit to the NSSEC Chairperson and GSPCA Treasurer for review and approval.

E. Member Event Eligibility for the Show Futurity, Top 25 and Annual Awards presented at the NSS have specific requirements for membership status. All owners and co-owners must be members of the GSPCA by March 1st of the competition year and the year the award is presented or participates in the Top 25. Membership requires approval by the GSPCA BOD, and a membership number given. There will be no exceptions to this rule for competing in these events. **The Futurity requires that all breeders, owners and co-owners must be members before February 28th of the Futurity year.**

II. National Specialty Show Delegate Meeting:

A. There shall be an annual meeting of the National Specialty Show Delegates representing the Member Clubs of the GSPCA. Member Clubs and their designated representatives must be in good standing with the AKC and with the GSPCA to be able to participate in the meeting.

B. The annual meeting of the National Specialty Show Delegates shall be held at the place of and in conjunction with the NSS as determined by the NSSEC.

C. A Member Club will be represented by one individual at the delegates' meeting. Each delegate must reside in the same region as the club they are representing or be a member of that club. Prior to the annual meeting, each Member Club is responsible for sending the Recording Secretary of the GSPCA with the name of their Delegate by the prescribed deadline. The

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delegates must be submitted to the Recording Secretary of the GSPCA in writing prior to the National Specialty Show Delegates meeting.

D. If a Delegate from a Member Club cannot attend the Delegates Meeting, the Member Club can exercise its voting right by proxy provided this has been submitted to the Recording Secretary of the GSPCA by the member club prior to the National Specialty Show Delegates Meeting. The proxy must be a resident of the same section as that of the Member Club. The maximum number of votes that may be held by any single Delegate is two (2). Proxies shall have the right to vote on all questions presented at that meeting.

E. Member Clubs may also cast their vote by email sent to the Recording Secretary on any matter included on the agenda for the meeting. The vote must be received prior to the Delegates Meeting.

F. All items voted on at the meeting must be presented to the GSPCA Recording Secretary as an agenda item. **The deadline for these items is two (2) months prior to the event. A request will be sent out to all member clubs by the GSPCA Corresponding Secretary four (4) months prior to the event asking for the delegate names and agenda items.**

G. Each Member Club shall be entitled to one (1) vote, cast by its designated representative on the items as follows:

1. Election of representatives to the NSSEC. This is an automatic agenda item. Nominations will be taken during the meeting from the floor and voting will be immediately after nominations close.
2. Items relating to the NSS are presented as agenda items by any GSPCA member or Member Club in good standing.

H. The Chairperson of the NSSEC shall preside at the annual meeting of the National Specialty Show Delegates. They shall have the usual functions and duties of a presiding officer and shall exercise the general supervision of the business of the meeting.

I. The Vice-Chairperson, in the absence of the Chairperson, shall perform all duties and functions of the Chairperson at the annual meeting of the National Specialty Show Delegates meeting.

J. The Secretary for the Delegates Meeting shall be the Recording Secretary of the GSPCA or designated person if the Recording Secretary is unable to attend the meeting.

K. All Delegates present at the National Specialty Show Delegates Meeting will receive a copy of the agenda and order of business for that meeting, prior to the start of the meeting from the Recording Secretary of the GSPCA or a Designated person if the Recording Secretary is unable to attend the meeting.

L. The Recording Secretary will provide a copy of the meeting minutes to be posted on the website.

III - National Specialty Show Executive Committee

A. <u>Committee Members</u>: The NSSEC is composed of:

1. One (1) member from each geographical section as defined in the Constitution and By-Laws of the GSPCA. Total 7 geographical members. The geographical NSSEC members shall be elected by a majority vote from among the delegates attending the annual National

Specialty Show Delegates meeting. Individuals nominated need not to be present to be nominated for the position.

a. All Members must be in good standing with the GSPCA and AKC.
b. All Members are expected to attend each NSS during their term unless excused by the NSSEC Chairperson.
c. All Members are permitted to participate/ exhibit at all events associated with the NSS with dogs they bred, own or co-owned.
d. The term for each member of the NSSEC will expire at the annual National Specialty Show Delegates meeting approximately three (3) years from the date elected.
e. Members will attend all and participate actively in committee meetings. If more than two (2) meetings are missed during a calendar year, the member may be replaced by a majority vote of the committee. Members must be responsible for at least two activities at the NSS, if a member can't commit to this responsibility, the member may be replaced by the majority vote of the committee.
f. If a member of the NSSEC moves out of their region b) resigns c) or is removed from the NSSEC, that member will step down from their position. The NSSEC will contact the Corresponding Secretary to do an email blast requesting a volunteer and the NSSEC will select from the applicants who applied from that section.
g. It is preferred by the NSSEC that members of the GSPCA BOD (other than the BOD liaison, Recording Secretary and Treasurer) not be elected to serve on the NSSEC.
h. If a member of the NSSEC is elected to the board in any capacity other than the Recording Secretary or Treasurer, they will step down and the NSSEC will contact the Corresponding Secretary to do an email blast requesting a volunteer and the NSSEC will select from the applicants who applied from that section.

2. The Recording Secretary of the GSPCA. This position is automatic and has voting privileges. This position is responsible for setting up committee meetings, meeting notes, and other administrative duties that laisse with the GSPCA BOD. The position remains on the committee in perpetuity, although the incumbent will change as the GSPCA BOD changes.
3. The Treasurer of the GSPCA. This position is automatic and has voting privileges. This position is responsible for the overall budget and contract approvals. The position remains on the committee in perpetuity, although the incumbent will change as the GSPCA BOD changes.
4. The GSPCA BOD of Directors will appoint a board liaison to the NSSEC. This position is responsible for facilitating communication and decisions between the board and the NSSEC. The liaison and the NSSEC Chairperson must communicate on a regular basis and will be included in all meetings. The liaison should have prior knowledge of NSS events and an overall understanding of what is required to run this event. The liaison will be responsible for mentoring the Chairperson on the event's functions, expectations and

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financial aspects of the show. The GSPCA Liaison position is a non-voting member of the committee.

5. Shortly after the National Specialty Show Delegates meeting, the NSSEC will hold a meeting to elect a new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.
6. After the NSSEC elects a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, the NSSEC may choose to add additional members for their positions from members that reside in their section for the duration of their tenure as Chairperson/Vice Chairperson as defined in the GSPCA By-Laws. The NSSEC Chairperson will contact the Corresponding Secretary to send an email blast to the GSPCA membership asking for volunteers from the same regions as the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to replace those members on the NSSEC. This process will provide the Committee with two additional members.
    a. The Section additional NSSEC member(s) will have voting privileges for their tenure.
    b. The Section additional member(s) are expected to attend the National Specialty Show and assume roles in assisting NSSEC members.
    c. The Section additional member(s) can be assigned tasks as needed by the NSSEC.
7. All Members of the NSSEC are expected to work as a committee and respect the decisions made by the NSSEC and the GSPCA BOD. All members are encouraged to follow the AKC Good Sportsmanship code and refrain from sharing opinion on Social Media Platforms. Differences of opinions happen in any committee, but a united front should be presented to the GSPCA membership.
8. All Members of the NSSEC must be willing to assume the responsibilities of at least two or more of the following functions or activities, including presenting a financial report of said committee to the NSSEC Chairperson and GSPCA treasurer:

    - Contracts – The Committee will appoint someone from the committee to review all contracts for the events including the site, other events and the judges' contracts with the GSPCA Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary.
    - Awards Dinner - Includes determining the format, cost and coordinating all the details for the event including reservations and working with Webmaster to post all the information on the website.
    - Grounds – Responsible for all set-up, clean-up before and after the show. Provide clean-up supplies at all rings.
    - RV Parking – Determine availability, fees, reservations and designating an onsite coordinator during the event. Send all the information to the Webmaster.
    - Hospitality – At least one hospitality event will be included for participants during the week of the NSS. This includes communication, event details, cost and information to be included on the website and in the premium list.
    - Judges Hospitality/Gifts – Determine the gifts and who will present the gifts to the judge.

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- Catalog - Solicit advertising, preparation and determining the number of catalogs for printing by the required deadline, assisting with the sale of catalogs at the event and ensuring purchased mark catalogs are completed and mailed to purchasers.
- Communication, including coordination with the GSPCA Corresponding Secretary, Journal Editor and the GSPCA Webmaster for all related communications required pre, during and post the event. A schedule with events, locations, and times will be posted at various locations around the site including the performance event sites.
- Merchandise – All merchandise with the designated logo will be handled by the Merchandise Chairperson and the designated vendor.
- Parade of Title Holders – Coordination of the entries, ribbons, cost and all details required will be in the premium list.
- Premium List – Preparation of all information and coordinated with all the event chairs to be included by the deadline.
- Raffles – Coordination and preparation of all items for the various raffles offered at the NSS. Information to be included in the premium list. All raffles held by supporting clubs should be removed prior to the start of the NSS.
- Ribbons – All orders for ribbons for all NSS events should be coordinated by the designated person ordering the ribbons.
- Seminar Reservations – All details for any reservations including Judging Education will be included in the premium list.
- Health & Welfare – The H & W activities will be included in the premium list and coordinated with the Chairperson of the H & W Committee.
- Top 25 Competition & Related Events (e.g. Top Ten Owner Handler)
- Trophy Donations – Communication of how to donate trophies and financial donations should be coordinated with the Corresponding Secretary and the Webmaster prior to the event and in the premium list.
- Welcome Bags – Coordination of items to include with a schedule of events and distribution at event.
- Develop a comprehensive checklist to ensure completion of all tasks required for a successful event and post event tasks.
- A committee member will be selected and be responsible for sending pictures and results to Purina, Journal Editor and Webmaster.
- Junior Activities to be coordinated with the GSPCA Juniors Committee. All events will have a discount for Juniors including all performance activities offered at the NSS.
- Other Activities/Functions as required.

B. Event Show Chairperson: The NSSEC will appoint an on-site Event Show Chairperson and/or an Assistant Event Show Chairperson if needed. These positions are non-voting positions for NSSEC business, and they will attend regular scheduled meetings of the NSSEC committee.

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1. The Event Show Chairperson and/or Assistant Show Chairperson are not permitted to exhibit in conformation events at the NSS. However, participation in Performance events is permitted with dogs bred, own or co-owned by the Event Show Chairperson.
2. Event Show Chairperson is responsible for all judge correspondence in conjunction with the GSPCA Corresponding Secretary. The GSPCA Corresponding Secretary will retain copies of all correspondence.
3. The Event Show Chairperson will be the primary contact at the event to manage any facility issues, judges and participants' concerns or issues with assistance from the NSSEC.

C. Sub-Committees: The NSSEC shall select qualified GSPCA members as volunteer(s) to oversee and act as Sub-Committee Chairs for sub-events such as Companion/Performance Events/Top 25 (and possibly others) to be held in conjunction with the National Specialty Show. These individuals shall report to the NSSEC all activities and will delegate tasks as deemed necessary for the event.
   1. Volunteers/ Sub-Chairpersons of all the sub-events (Agility, Obedience, Rally, Top 25, etc.) held at the NSS will have no NSSEC voting privileges.
   2. Sub-Committee Chairpersons are expected to participate in NSSEC meetings to enhance communication for the success of the event and keep the NSSEC informed of their activities.
   3. Sub-Committee Chairpersons are expected to provide financial budget information for review and all expenses approval by the NSSEC.
   4. Sub-Committee Chairpersons will be included in the process of developing the premium list(s) for the NSS events.
   5. All Sub-Committee Chairpersons are permitted to exhibit in all NSS events with dogs bred, own or co-owned by them.

D. Committee Duties: The NSSEC shall have overall responsibility for the running of the National Specialty Show, subject to the authority of the GSPCA BOD. In addition, it shall have the power to:
   1. Make changes or additions to the running rules whenever deemed necessary, subject to approval of the GSPCA BOD. The changes and additions will be published in the minutes and on the GSPCA website. Each year prior to **the January** board meeting a revised copy of the running rules will be presented with a notation of any revisions. If no revisions are made, a notation will be made.
   2. Select a Judge if a vacancy occurs prior to a National Specialty event.
   3. Finalize the site location and coordinate the facility contract.
   4. When appropriate, dedicate the National Specialty Show to the memory of deceased members of the GSPCA with approval from the GSPCA BOD. National show memorial dedications are to be based on the former members' volunteer contributions and impact to the GSPCA club and the NSS.
   5. Select a Judge Selection Coordinator.

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6. Make changes to the running/ schedule of the NSS event as required subject to the review and approval of the GSPCA BOD.
7. All meetings of the NSSEC will be run in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Order. The Treasurer of the GSPCA and the Chairperson will be responsible for the committee maintaining compliance with the rules.
    a. The Chairperson is allowed to vote.
    b. Any vote by email requires all members of the committee to vote before the action item can be determined.
    c. In the event there is a tie during the voting process, the BOD Liaison
8. All NSSEC meeting minutes will be recorded and a copy of the meeting minutes to be placed on the GSPCA Website.

IV-GSPCA National Specialty Show Conformation Judges

A. Selection Process:
1. Selection of judges is completed two (2) years prior to the assignment.
2. The NSSEC will appoint a Judge Selection Coordinator (JSC). This is a one (1) year term position with the NSSEC having the ability to extend the term by majority vote. The JSC is responsible for managing the judge selection process.
    a. The JSC will be a member of good standing with GSPCA and AKC.
    b. Preference will go to the individuals who have demonstrated participation in volunteer duties for the GSPCA in the past and have completed them in a timely manner.
    c. The JSC will be responsible for ensuring proof of eligibility and completion of all judging requirements.
    d. The JSC will establish and update a yearly a pre-screened list of judges in good standing with the AKC and the GSPCA. A list will consist of judges meeting the minimum qualifications as of September 1st of that current year. This list will highlight and list alphabetically breeder judges first. All other eligible judges will then be listed alphabetically. A list of eligible judges that cannot be nominated because they have judged within the past three (3) years or will be judging in the future will be clearly differentiated. The list will be available on the GSPCA website and published annually in the November/December issue Journal. The list will be modified and updated by the JSC using the minimum qualifications in the National Specialty Show Running Rules Section as approved by the GSPCA BOD.
    e. In the event the JSC receives nominations (votes) for any judging assignments associated with the NSS, the NSSEC Chairperson will assume the role of JSC fulfilling the necessary judge vetting process.

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3. All members and member Clubs may vote for three (3) different eligible judges for regular class judging and for two (2) different eligible people, each for Futurity and Sweepstakes. Eligibility requirements for Futurity and Sweepstake judges will be included in the ballot.
4. Voting Deadline: **Feb. 1**.
   a. Individual members' votes must be submitted with the person's GSPCA current membership number. Votes will be submitted electronically via the GSPCA website.
   b. A Member club secretary may submit votes on club letterhead to the Corresponding Secretary.
5. A tabulation of votes will be completed by the GSPCA Webmaster. The Webmaster will provide a list of the top vote receivers names and number of votes received only to the JSC and NSSEC Chairperson. The Webmaster will retain a copy of this list until the nomination process is complete.
6. The Corresponding Secretary will mail / or via email correspondence send letters as directed by the JSC to the top five (5) candidates in each category by February 12th requesting their bio, confirmation they meet all judging criteria requirements, and provide applicable fee schedule/ expense requests. The JSC will provide the judge candidates with a copy of the judging obligations as indicated in Section IV.C. The deadline for the return of this information to the Corresponding Secretary will be March 1st. The Corresponding Secretary will provide all responses to the JSC.
7. After receiving letters from judge candidates of either acceptance or refusal is indicated, the JSC will advise the NSSEC Chairperson of all responses to any changes to the original list.
8. Each candidate's fee schedule will be reviewed by the NSSEC and deemed acceptable or not. If not acceptable the NSSEC may direct the JSC to contact the nominee to renegotiate the fee. If still unacceptable then the nominee's name will be withdrawn. The reason for removal from the list will be noted. If the minimum number of candidates (five) is not met for all assignments, the JSC will direct the Corresponding Secretary to contact the next candidate on the list and ask for the biography, fee and availability. The deadline for sending out these notices is March 20th with a return date April 10th.
9. Upon the final list of nominations completed, the NSSEC Chairperson will send the list to be posted on the GSPCA Website prior to the NSS. Copies of each candidate's biography may be available to members upon written request to the NSSEC Chairperson.
10. There will be only one (1) NSS Conformation judge for all regular and non-regular classes, unless otherwise deemed necessary by the NSSEC.
11. The Top five (5) names will be randomly drawn at the NSS at the Annual Awards dinner or time and location to be determined by the NSSEC. The Top five (5) names for each judging assignment will be on tickets placed in a bowl and drawn. The selection process will be weighed by giving the candidate with the most votes will receive five (5) tickets with their name on it, the second will have four (4) tickets, the third three (3) tickets, the fourth two (2) tickets and the fifth one (1) ticket in the bowl. The first name selected will be asked to judge the corresponding assignment. The second first alternate and so forth.

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a. The names and alternates for each assignment will be recorded by the GSPCA Recording Secretary or a designated person if the Recording Secretary is unable to attend.
b. Once the names have been announced and recorded, they cannot be contested by any GSPCA individual or club member.
c. The NSSEC will submit the judges for final approval by the GSPCA BOD at the June BOD meeting.

12. The GSPCA Recording Secretary will retain all ballots on file until after the NSS at which these judges officiate.
13. The Recording Secretary will provide the results of the selection to the Webmaster, to be posted on the website under the appropriate year within thirty (30) days and the Journal Editor to publish the results from the selection in the next Journal edition.
14. The NSSEC Chairperson will direct the Corresponding Secretary to notify the individuals of their selected judging assignments and to inform all judge contracts will be sent after the show location and dates have been established and a facility contract has been signed.
15. If the selected judge cannot fulfill their Breed, Sweeps or Futurity assignment, the first alternate judge would be asked to judge the assignment, provided they still can meet the judging requirements. The NSSEC Chairperson will direct the Event Show Chairperson to contact the alternate to verify availability, fee, expenses and acceptance of the assignment. In the event the individual does not accept the assignment, the next alternate on the list will be contacted until a judge has accepted. If all the alternates do not accept the assignment, then the NSSEC will select a judge based on the merits of the assignment and direct the Event Show Chairperson to contact the selected individual to verify availability, fee, expenses and acceptance of the assignment.
16. If it is necessary to add an additional judge due to an overdraw to their judging assignment the NSSEC will review candidates for a second judge. Such considerations will be based on the merits of the assignment, fees, location, and other practical matters. The NSSEC Chairperson will direct the Event Show Chairperson to contact the selected individual to verify availability, fee, expenses and acceptance of the assignment.
17. For Non-regular class assignment such as Stud Dog/ Brood Bitch and Brace classes, the NSSEC can elect to add an additional judge for these classes. Such considerations will be based on the merits of the assignment, fees, location, and other practical matters. The NSSEC Chairperson will direct the Event Show Chairperson to contact the selected individual to verify availability, fee, expenses and acceptance of the assignment.
18. Once a person has judged a regular NSS Conformation, Sweepstakes, and or Futurity class assignment, **they are not eligible for nomination to judge ANY NSS conformation classes for three (3) years.**
19. Any judge who declines the assignment after accepting the assignment will not be eligible for nomination again for three (3) years from the date of the original assignment. In cases of extenuating circumstances that are justified by the NSSEC this rule can be set aside i.e. death in the family, severe illness that would prevent attendance.

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20. If the conformation judge is ineligible to judge Junior Showmanship, the NSSEC will select an alternate judge for Junior Showmanship classes. The Junior Showmanship judges will be selected based on their qualifications and cost considerations including travel costs, fees and other expenses.

21. Performance judges (including Obedience, Rally & Agility) will be selected by the specific Performance Chairperson with the approval of the NSSEC. Judges will be selected based on their qualifications and cost considerations including travel costs, fees and other expenses

B. Judge Criteria: Qualifying persons as eligible for nomination to judge GSPCA National Specialty Conformation Events:

1. Conformation Breed Judge:

a. The selection of a Breeder Judge is encouraged by the GSPCA.

b. A Breeder Judge is defined as a person who is knowledgeable with success in breeding, exhibiting/handling GSP for ten (10) years or more. Has produced at least five (5) AKC GSP Champions. Breeder Judges can be nominated while on permit status. A breeder judge must be a GSPCA member in good standing with AKC and GSPCA for a minimum of ten (10) years. Breeders will be highlighted and listed first on the nomination list.

c. Any AKC approved (regular status) judge for German Shorthaired Pointers in good standing with AKC is eligible to be voted to judge the GSPCA National. The judge will have been approved by AKC to judge German Shorthaired Pointers for at least seven (7) years.

d. Any approved foreign judge (regular status) for German Shorthaired Pointers in their country of residence and in good standing with AKC is eligible to be voted to judge the GSPCA National. Foreign judges will have to be nominated as a write-in.

e. Parent Clubs by request may invite eligible individuals to judge their Nationals or Specialties. In addition to the AKC requirements the Individual would be required to be a member of the GSPCA in good standing a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years. Full details for this process can be found on the AKC website and they must be completed prior to the nomination process.

f. The judge must have completed all required AKC training or courses required one year prior to fulfilling the assignment and submit certificates to the JSC.

2. Futurity Judge: mandatory requirements at time of nomination:

a. Will be knowledgeable, with success in breeding/exhibiting/handling the GSP breed for ten (10) years or more. Candidates will take and pass two (2) AKC courses through the online Canine College. They are "ABC's of Dog Breeding - Canine Anatomy Course and German Shorthaired Pointer Breed Course. Provide completion certificates to the JSC by the required deadline of one year prior to the assignment.

b. Produced 5 AKC GSP bench champions.

c. Candidate will be a member in good standing of the GSPCA for a minimum of ten (10) years.

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d. Judging experience in a minimum of two (2) events such as local sweepstakes or puppy matches. If a candidate does not have this experience and is selected to judge it should be stipulated in their contract that they will need to accomplish this at least six months prior to the NSS they are selected to judge.

3. **Sweepstakes Judge**: mandatory requirements at time of nomination:

a. Attended at least one (1) national specialty for a sporting breed. Candidates will take and pass two (2) AKC courses through the online Canine College. They are "ABC's of Dog Breeding - Canine Anatomy Course and German Shorthaired Pointer Breed Course. Provide completion certificates to the JSC by the required deadline of one year prior to the assignment.

b. Seven (7) years of involvement in AKC conformation venues with a sporting dog.

c. Bred or exhibited at least five (5) sporting dogs to their AKC bench championships.

d. Judging experience in a minimum of two (2) events such as local sweepstakes, puppy matches or 4–6-month-old beginner puppy. If a candidate does not have this experience and is selected to judge it should be stipulated in their contract that they will need to accomplish this at least six months prior to the NSS they are selected to judge.

C. Judges' Contracts and Obligations:

1. After GSPCA BOD approval and the site contract is signed by the GSPCA Treasurer or designated Officer and countersigned by the site informing them of their selection, the NSSEC Chairperson shall direct the GSPCA Corresponding Secretary to send a contact to the selected judges and provide them with a judge contract for signature. Selected judges will be requested to return their signed contracts within thirty (30) days of the date of this notification letter.

2. <u>For Breed Judges</u>: Allowable expenses for Judges shall not exceed round trip air coach transportation, round trip transportation to and from home and the hotel to the airport, airport parking, lodging and meals from the day preceding the start of events they are judging to the day after the conclusion of the events they judge. Judging fees may be negotiated with the judge by the NSSEC Chairperson and or, GSPCA Treasurer.

a. The Breed judge contract will have the following notation in accordance with AKC Guidelines: No dog may be entered or exhibited under a judge if, within the prior year, the owner or co-owner also owns or co-owns a dog with the judge.

3. <u>For Futurity and Sweepstakes Judges</u>: Allowable judges' expenses will include lodging and meals one day preceding the start of events they are judging on the day after the conclusion of the events they judge. Futurity and Sweepstakes judges DO NOT receive travel expenses. The contracts are executed by the direction of the NSSEC Chairperson and GSPCA Corresponding Secretary.

a. The Futurity and Sweepstake judge contracts will have the following notation in accordance with AKC's "Rules Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges": Neither the judge nor any member of their immediate family/ household may exhibit at this National event and no dog they bred or co-bred, own or co-own, may be

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shown at the National event which is to include all host functions prior to and following the National event.

b. The contract for Futurity and Sweepstakes will also state that no dog the judge bred, or co-bred may be shown to them. If an exhibit is professionally handled by the Futurity /Sweepstakes judge in the year prior to the National event, it is understood that the owners/co-owners and the exhibit cannot show or be shown to said judge.

4. Elected judges for Breed Classes- regular/ non-regular, Futurity, Sweepstakes (Puppy and Veteran) at the NSS and the GSPCA Regional held the same week as the NSS will not judge German Shorthaired Pointers in breed competition for six (6) months prior to the NSS except in group or best in show judging. This does not apply to local GSP Club Supported shows during the NSS but should be considered in their judge selection.

5. Any judge judging at the NSS cannot accept judging assignments for any GSPCA Regional Specialty for six (6) months prior to the NSS assignment. This includes Sweepstakes (Puppy and Veteran) assignments in conjunction with the Regional specialty show.

6. All judges, regular and non-regular, sweepstakes and futurity will not exhibit, own or co-own an exhibit at the National event which will include all host functions prior to and following the National during national week. The only exception to this is the judge for Junior Showmanship classes and the Special Attraction-Pee Wee class.

V-National Specialty Show-DNA requirements:

A. All entrants at the National Specialty Show, including performance and hunt test events, will require an AKC DNA number at the time of entry. This number must be included with the entry form. The number can be a temporary AKC DNA number that has been assigned to that dog pending the final results. If an AKC DNA number is contested and proven to be falsified, then all wins will be revoked by the GSPCA and AKC per entry certification.

VI- National Specialty Show Futurity:

A. The GSPCA National Specialty Show Futurity shall be held each year in conjunction with the National Specialty Show. The NSSEC will determine the schedule with preference to holding the National Show Futurity after the National Specialty Show Sweepstakes.

B. ELIGIBILITY: Puppies whelped between October 1 and September 30, of a consecutive year, will be eligible for the Futurity in the year following the September cutoff date. (Ex: Yearend Sept 30, 2020, eligible for 2021 Futurity). **All breeders and co-breeders of litters nominated for the Show Futurity must be members of good standing of the GSPCA at the time of Nomination. All breeders, owners and co-owners of individual dogs or bitches that compete in the Show Futurity must be members in good standing of the GSPCA before February 28th. If the ownership changes prior to the Futurity, the dog will remain eligible provided all new owners/co-owners are members or apply for membership to the GSPCA before February 28th. The Show Futurity Chairperson must be notified within ten (10) days of any changes of ownership.**

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NOMINATION: Bitches must be nominated within 56 days (8 weeks) of whelping, and a fee accompany the nomination. Any nominations postmarked or finalized online later than 56 days from whelping will be considered late. Litters may be nominated after the 56th day but not later than 112 days (16 weeks), with an additional $50 penalty payment ($75 total). Litters may be nominated after 112 days (16 weeks), with an additional $200 penalty payment ($225 total). No nomination will be accepted if postmarked or finalized online later than 143 days (20 weeks) after whelping.

SENIOR CLASS: For dogs whelped on or after October 1 through January 31. Dogs and bitches will be judged separately.
INTERMEDIATE CLASS: For dogs whelped on or after February 1 through May 31. Dogs and bitches will be judged separately.
JUNIOR CLASS: For dogs whelped on or after June 1 through September 30. Dogs and bitches will be judged separately.

PAYMENT OF FORFEITS: Three forfeits must be paid as follows: First Forfeit of $20 must be postmarked or finalized online by December 31; Second Forfeit of $20 must be postmarked or finalized online by February 28 (29); Third Forfeit of $20 (to count as entry fee) must be received at the Superintendent's Office by the closing date of the National Specialty Show entries. Any forfeits, with the exception of the third forfeit, will be accepted if postmarked or finalized online up to 21 days late and accompanied by a penalty payment of an additional $20 on the First Forfeit and $20 per pup on the Second Forfeit. Late forfeits postmarked or finalized online after the 21st day, or forfeits without proper payments, will be returned and/or deemed ineligible. All forfeits will become the property of the GSPCA Futurity and are non-refundable. All payments must be U.S. Funds. U.S. Funds drawn on a foreign bank must include an additional $5 processing fee per check.

FORMS: An email acknowledgement with your Futurity Litter Number will be sent to the breeder upon nomination of the litter. After Futurity Litter Numbers have been received by the breeders, First Forfeits can be made. First and Second Forfeit Forms are downloadable on the GSPCA website or payments can be made online. All Forfeits must be made within the noted timelines either by mail or online. First Forfeits are paid as a quantity of pups multiplied by the fee. Second Forfeits require a form for EACH pup moving forward in the Futurity. Forfeit Forms must be completed in full. Leaving items blank or filling with incorrect information can be cause for refusal and/or ineligibility. Entries are compared to the Second Forfeit Form; be sure all information is correct. Any deviations can result in pups being deemed ineligible.

DIVISION OF PRIZE MONEY:
Actual Futurity expenses will be deducted from Futurity money. The remaining balance will be divided as follows:

a. Best of Futurity and Best of Opposite will receive 12.5% of the funds, which will be further divided 50% to the owner and 40% to the breeder.

b. The winner of each class will receive up to $300 or the total of the funds available for that class if the funds are less than $300.

c. If the funds available for each class are more than $600, the winner will receive at least $300 of those funds available, according to the following allocation:

1st Place = 50%
2nd Place = 25%
3rd Place = 15%
4th Place = 10%

d. If the funds available for each class allow for the winner to receive $300, but are less than $600, the allocation of the funds for placements 2 through 4 would be as follows:

2nd Place = 50% of the remaining funds
3rd Place = 32% of the remaining funds
4th Place = 18% of the remaining funds

All funds for each class will be further divided 60% to the owner and 40% to the breeder.

VII - National Specialty Show Sweepstakes:

A. The National Specialty Show Puppy Sweepstakes shall be held each year in conjunction with the National Specialty Show. The following classes may or may not be offered as follows, subject to NSSEC final approval.

Puppy dogs (6 mos. & under 9 mos.) Puppy Bitches (6 mos. & under 9 mos.)
Puppy dogs (9 mos. & under 12 mos.) Puppy Bitches (9 mos. & under 12 mos.)
Dogs (12 mos. & under 15 mos.) Bitches (12 mos. & under 15 mos.)
Dogs (15 mos. & under 18 mos.) Bitches (15 mos. & under 18 mos.)
Dogs (18 mos. & under 24 mos.) Bitches (18 mos. & under 24 mos.)

B. The division of the prize money will be as follows:

1. The GSPCA shall retain 30% of the total receipts of the Sweepstakes entry fees. The remaining 70% will be known as the Sweepstakes Fund and shall be divided proportionately based on the number of entries in each class, and then further divided as follows:

Best in Sweepstakes: 7% of Sweepstakes Fund
Best of Opposite: 5% of Sweepstakes Fund
1st place: 40% of Class Fund
2nd place: 30% of Class Fund
3rd place: 20% of Class Fund
4th place: 10% of Class Fund

C. Dogs and bitches that are entered in the Sweepstakes must also be entered in a regular or non-regular class of the National Specialty Show.

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D. The National Specialty Show Veteran Sweepstakes shall be held each year in conjunction with the National Specialty Show. The following classes may or may not be offered as follows, subject to NSSEC final approval:

Veteran dogs (8 yrs. & under 10 yrs.) Veteran bitches (8 yrs. & under 10 yrs.)
Veteran dogs (10 yrs. & Over) Veteran bitches (10 yrs. & over)

E. Entrants are not required to enter a regular class at the National Specialty Show. Spayed or neutered veterans may enter the Veteran Sweepstakes. Division of the prize money will be as follows: The GSPCA shall retain 30% of the total receipts of the Sweepstakes entry fees. The remaining 70% shall be known as the Veteran Sweepstakes Fund and shall be divided proportionately based on the number of entries in each class, and then further divided as follows:

Best Veteran Sweepstakes Dog: 5% of Sweepstakes Fund
Best Veteran Sweepstakes Bitch: 5% of Sweepstakes Fund
1st place: 40% of Class Fund
2nd place: 30% of Class Fund
3rd place: 20% of Class Fund
4th place: 10% of Class Fund

Resources:
www.akc.org/downloadable-forms/#conformationevents
Include:
- Checklist for events
- Disaster Plan

Sample budget
Checklist for working with the GSPCA Secretary for Social Media Activities
Sample GSPCA Event Checklist
Checklist for each performance event at the NSS
Sample Post Event Survey
Site requirements for the NSS and associated performance events
Resource for leadership of leading committees
Roberts Rules of Order

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NSS 2027	CRITERIA	SITE A	SITE B	SITE C	SITE D
FACILITY	for SITE BIDS	**Marriott South Sioux City Riverfront**	**East Peoria Embassy Suites**	**Owensboro Convention Center**	**Embassy Suites by Hilton Hot Springs**
Location	Central region	South Sioux City, NE	East Peoria, IL	Owensboro, KY	Hot Springs, AR
Website		Linsey Dumkrieger	Kea Paxton	JT Pedley	Kea Paxton / Craig Durmon
Contact		402 412 4104	678.606.5226	270-297-9931	678.606.5226/
Phone number		linsey.dumkrieger2@marriott.com	mikea.paxton@atriumhospitality.com	jt.pedley@oakviewgroup.com	mikea.paxton@atriumhospitality.com
Dates	May 1-May 14	May 2-8, 9-16	May 2- May 9	May 2- May 9	May 9- May 16
Hotel:		Marriott South Sioux City Riverfront	Embassy Suites	Host Hotels next door	Embassy Suites
# of Rooms	175	182	226	Holiday Inn- 133/ Hampton- 150	246
Room Commitment	500 room night	**500 room nights**	**604 room nights**	0 (only negotiated group rates)	**618 room nights**
Catering Commitmer	<$8000	**$7,500**	**$11,000**	$0	**$9,000**
Service Charge/Tax		**20% + 7 % sales tax**	**25% + 8 % sales tax**		**25% + 8 % sales tax**
Room comp	1/50 nights	1/ 50 nights, 1 hospitality suite	1/ 50 nights/ 10 rooms @reduced rate		1/ 50 nights + 10 rooms @reduced rate
Attrition Rate	20%	**x0%**	**25% min. (449 room nights)**		**25% min. (464 room nights)**
Amenities		Outdoor pool, fitness	Indoor pool/ fitness center	restaurant/indoor pool/ fitness center	Indoor pool/ fitness center
# of Dogs per room	4	4 dogs / w $50 pet fee	Up tp 4 w/ $50 deposit	One time Pet Fee/ 4 dogs	Up tp 4 w/ $50 deposit
Room rate	$100-$140	$135 +12% tax	$142 w/bkfst* + tax	$140 + tax	$169 w/bkfst* + tax
Show Facility:		Across the street from hotel (+400')	Attached to hotel	Ex Hall 1	HRC-Hall C & D Attached to hotel
Show space dimensi	10,000 SF	23,000 (100 x 230)	25,000 SF Show Area (100 x 250)	14,353 SF (80 x 175 each hall)	34,200 SF Show Area (180 x 190)
In/ Outdoor		Indoor- concrete Hotel provides mats	indoor- carpet	indoor -concrete will need mats(*)	indoor- concrete will need mats
Meeting Rooms		2- included in event use fee	6- included in event use fee	Yes-3 included	2- included in event use fee
Catering Commitmer	<$8000		NA- Refer to Hotel	**$8,500**	0
Day crating		Yes- main event center space	Yes- separate room across the hall	Yes- main event center space	Yes- main event center space
Day crating		Yes- No overnight	Y-No overnight- must put plastic down	Yes- No overnight	Yes- No overnight
Dog wash area		Yes- outside	Yes- outside	Yes- outside	Yes- outside
Trash Dumpster		Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required
AV Equipment		Yes- included in rental fee	Yes- fee to use		Yes- fee to use
Vendor space		Yes-no fee, no charge power	Yes- no fee, no charge power	Yes-	Yes- no fee, no charge power
Cost uf use	<$1200 per day	$2000/day ($14K)+serv % & tax%	**Total for week $6500 +serv % & tax%**	**otal for the week $ 11,500 +serv % & tax**	**$3500/day ($24K)+serv % & tax%**
Service Charge/ tax		Refer to Hotel	Refer to Hotel	serv % & tax%	serv % & tax%
Food & Beverage:					
Banquet Seating	200	Yes-200+	Yes - 200+	Yes- 200+	Yes - 150+ @hotel $1200
On-site Restaurants		Yes-1 dinner service., 1 grab & go	Yes- dinner service	Yes-at adjacent hotels	Yes- dinner service @hotel
Breakfast Options		Grab & go	Yes- comes w/ room	Grab & go @concession stand in lobby	Yes- comes w/ room
Lunch Options		Grab & go	Box Lunch option	Grab & go @concession stand	Concession stand/ Box Lunch option
On-Site Bar		Yes (in the restaurant)	Yes (in the restaurant)	No- beer available @concession stand	Yes (in the restaurant @hotel)
Ringside Banquet	Y/N	Yes	Yes	Yes- cash bar available	Yes - 200+- $1200 @event center
RV					
# of Spaces	25	No- 0.40 miles away- city owned	Yes- Parking lot/ Asphalt	Yes- Parking lot	Yes- Parking lot/ Asphalt
Hook ups		Yes- electric, water & sewer	N	N	N
Daily Cost:		For all hook-ups $33 day/ $198 week	No Charge to club	Yes-	Yes- fee charged to club
Other:		Pay to city directly	No extra trash dumpster needed		No extra trash dumpster needed
Airport:		Sioux Gateway- 9 miles	Peoria- 5 miles	Owensboro Regional- 4 miles	Hot Springs Regional- 4 miles
Nearest Airport	Major within	Omaha/ Minneapolis	Chicago Midway/ St. Louis	Evansville Reg/ Louisville Internaitonal	Little Rock
Distance from	reasonable drive	97 miles/ 275 miles	160 miles/ 180 miles	43 miles/ 114 miles	54 miles
Shuttle Service		Yes- Gateway only- & will take dogs	No	No	No
Obedience/ Rally:		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dimensions	50' X 50'	Share main room or separate room	Separate room: Size 50' x 100'	Separate section: Size 50' x 50'	Separate area: Size 50' x 100'
In/ Outdoors	ndoors (preferred	Ballroom $500 a day rate	Indoor- carpet matting will be needed	Indoor -concrete- matting needed	Indoor- matting will be needed
Agility:		Off site	Off Site	Off-Site	Off Site
Location					
In/ Outdoors					
Dimensions	110' x 110'				
Past Breed NSS:		Vizsla/ St. Bernard	GSP	Boston Terriers	Italian Greyhound/ All breed show
				Owensboro Kennel Club- all breed show	

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/2025
Committee Report

Committee: _____Top 25_____

Report Prepared By: ___Carley Simpson_____ **Date: _6/11/25_____**

1. Summary of Activities Since Last Submitted Report

This is my first formal report, and I'm pleased to share an overview of what has been accomplished since assuming this role. We successfully hosted our annual Top 25 Event, which also marked the 25th anniversary—our Silver Jubilee. The celebration was well-attended, with 18 of the Top 25 dogs present and a record breaking, 175 ticketed guests with many more who came just to watch. We also continued the NOHS Top 10 showcase for the second consecutive year and introduced a new feature, the "Parade of Juniors," scheduled at the top of the cocktail hour.

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2. Changes for Improvement, Results, and Future Recommendations

- **Event Guidelines:** An updated set of running rules is needed to clarify operational procedures and expectations. I've initiated work on this with Karen and aim to complete it within the next month. The revision will include resolution protocols, deadline enforcement, and role clarity for committee members.
- **Eligibility Adjustments:** We encountered challenges with last-minute changes to the Top 25 list. A dog had to be removed and another added, creating stress and inefficiency. The updated rules will include contingencies for such scenarios.
- **Fundraising:** Our fundraising efforts were significantly improved this year, particularly via our dedicated raffle Facebook page, which raised over $13,000. This initiative engaged both members and the broader dog community. Kudos to the sub-committee for their dedication and execution.
- **Financial Tracking:** We established our own PayPal account with Dean's support, which streamlined our financial management and ensured full transparency for the $40,000+ in funds processed. We would like to add Quickbooks for future years to eliminate some major delays in reconciling when we lose a core member due to illness.
- **Parade of Titleholders (POT):** Holding the POT immediately prior to our event created logistical and experiential issues, including diminished visual impact of our setup and a delayed start time. I recommend POT be moved to a separate evening to protect the quality of our guest experience.
- **Perpetual Trophy Base:** The base for the newly acquired WKC 1972 BIS Trophy was not completed due to manufacturing delays and the withdrawal of our title sponsor. We aim to complete and debut it in 2025 with proper sponsor support.

- **Pre-Event Judging Consideration:** We are evaluating the option to conduct the "Exam" portion of judging earlier in the day (e.g., 1–2:30 PM following Futurity) to reduce the dinner portion's runtime. This would retain the movement segment during the evening while streamlining the judging process.
- **Junior Handler Parade:** After a trial run this year, I plan to formally integrate this segment into the event structure. While conceptually successful, the execution suffered due to communication breakdowns (e.g., missing bios, unclear entry processes). With better organization, this can be a valuable addition.
- **Rosette Vendor Issues:** Significant delays and errors occurred with our current rosette vendor, resulting in incomplete deliveries and logistical burdens on our committee. We've identified a new vendor to better meet our quality and timeliness standards and will not proceed with the prior vendor moving forward.

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3. Financial Summary and Planned Budget
Due to a health issue within our budget committee, full reconciliation is ongoing. Preliminary figures indicate a net profit of approximately $15,000. Final accounting will be completed with Dean, and we expect to announce our Health and Welfare donation amount shortly.

2024 Income Summary:

- Silent Auction: $3,650
- Online Auction: $1,450 (goal was $3,500; underperformance due to lack of promotion)
- Pre-Event Donations: $5,050
- Ticket/Dinner Sales: $15,000 (record-breaking 175 tickets sold)
- Online Raffles: $13,000
- Entries: $5,500

Looking ahead, we aim to increase profitability through continued innovation, broader engagement, and improved event operations.

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4. Committee Needs (in priority order):

1. Rescheduling of the Parade of Titleholders to a different day.
2. Formal approval of the revised Running Rules once submitted.

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5. Action Items for Board Consideration:

- Approval to allocate a portion of this year's proceeds toward the completion of the perpetual trophy base, originally budgeted for this cycle.
- Permission to pursue and secure a new Title Sponsor to fund the Top 25 event annually, offsetting recurring costs related to the trophy and event branding.

SHOW FUTURITY BOARD REPORT JUNE 2025

Submitted by Holly Faught

Liaison: Dean Browning

2025 Show Futurity:

The 2025 Show Futurity is in the books and to the best of my knowledge went off without a hitch! There were 42 pups entered in the 2025 Show Futurity, 19 Dogs & 23 Bitches. There were 174 pups eligible to compete.

2026 Show Futurity:

As of this date, June 9, 2025, there are 26 litters nominated to the 2026 Show Futurity. Litters consist of 203 puppies (103 males & 100 females). Nominations remain open until September 30, 2025.

Monies collected:

26 Litters Nominated @ $25	$650.00
11 Nomination Late Fees @ $50	$550.00
Subtotal:	$1200.00

At this time, I have no questions or concerns for the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Faught
Show Futurity Manager

NFT Executive Committee report to the Board

Submitted by Kevin Temple/Liaison: Dan Schoenfelder

June 23, 2025

I have included a budget for the NFT this fall. We used entries similar to last year. Obviously, it would be great to know what we will get, but that will always be the great unknown. If we had had the same entries last year as we had the year previous, we would have made a profit last year.

The EC has discussed and voted in favor of the following changes for the fall trials in an effort to reduce expenses.

- Raising entry fees for each of the broke stakes to $275.00, keeping the Futurity at 185.00.
- We have agreed to change the trophies this year. We will keep the two-dog trophy for first place, and the single dog trophy in second place using the same trophies as before. We will buy different single dog trophies from a different vendor for third and fourth place dogs. These adjustments are for the broke stakes. The Futurity will have 4 new trophies for all placements.

We are in the process of seating judges. Dan suggested again this year that we should consider using a Marshall instead of a third judge. We must pay the same expenses for a Marshall, as we do for a judge. In the event of a judge being injured or becomes ill, we prefer to seat three judges from the start.

Dan also stated that there are complaints from handlers that they feel the Amateur Championship is being judged as a shooting dog stake, and that's why they are not entering. That is a fallacy. Our premium, and the running rules clearly states that it is an AKC Gun Dog stake, and our judges are instructed to judge it as such. Shooting Dog stakes are offered at UKC/American Field events.

There are a few areas where we are looking for volunteers, such as someone to run hospitality, and someone to run the raffles. We also need a good quality offering for merchandise this year. Dan, please let me know what you are working on with that regard. I also remember seeing an email of logo proofs, and we responded that we would prefer a full-bodied dog on point, and to incorporate a Quail, and not a Mourning Dove! Any updates for consideration yet?

We are also working on some revisions to the running rules for the Futurity, as we were never asked for our input during that process. We will submit those items to the BOD at a later date.

Proposed 2025 NFT Budget

Entries				
	Amateur	55	275	$15,125.00
	All Age	55	275	$15,125.00
	Open Gun	55	275	$15,125.00
	Futurity	20	185	$3,700.00
				$49,075.00
Revenue				
	Entries			$49,075.00
	Bird Sales			$600.00
	Corporate sponsor			$2,000.00
	Donations			$3,000.00
	Merchandise			$0.00
	Catalog advertising			$3,000.00
	Nominations			$1,500.00
	Other			$1,000.00
	Raffle			$1,000.00
	Trophy donations			$1,000.00
Total Revenue				**$62,175.00**
Expenses				
	Application			$650.00
	Banquets			$3,500.00
	Birds			$10,500.00
	Grounds			$17,705.00
	Catalog			$1,200.00
	Committee exp			$1,700.00
	Dog wagon			$500.00
	Futurity payout			$1,500.00
	Horse rental			$7,800.00
	Judges			$5,000.00
	Merchandise			$1,500.00
	NFT sec			$200.00
	Trophies			$8,500.00
Total Expenses				**$60,255.00**
Profit				**$1,920.00**

FIELD FUTURITY REPORT – JUNE 2025

Submitted by Holly Faught

Liaison: Dean Browning

The Field Futurity webpage is almost completed. Missy still needs to get the forms up for online nomination and online renomination/second forfeit.

I contacted Bonnie Hill, she has removed Terry Bomer as the contact for the Field Futurity and added my contact info in The Journal.

The NFT Running Rules were updated to coincide with the new 2026 Field Futurity rules.

The new 2026 Field Futurity rules were emailed to all Breeders of pups in the 2025 Field Futurity making them aware of the changes for the 2026 year.

Emails and some letters were sent to all owners of pups eligible for the 2025 Field Futurity making them aware of GSPCA membership requirements. Letters and emails stated that each of them would need to be members in good standing of the GSPCA prior to the close of NFT entries. Letters also detailed that membership is not immediate and each one that had lapsed would require a vote from the Board before their membership would be reinstated. I stressed that waiting until the last minute would not be the smartest thing to do. Happily, I report that all puppy owners who were not members at the time of my letter have now completed their memberships!

After receiving the spreadsheets from Terry Bomer, I did a complete audit of eligibility of the 2025 Nominations. With Lynn Pettinato's wonderful help, I was able to determine when each breeder completed their GSPCA membership. Two nominations were deemed ineligible. The first one, I found had paid their nomination without being a GSPCA member and had failed to do so afterwards as well. According to Terry Bomer, she too had contacted this breeder and she was told to process the nomination and either he would or wouldn't get around to joining. He never did join and we did not refund his nomination fee. The second one was not a member at the time he nominated the litter and did not complete his membership until his litter was 217 days old. This age was well after any late fee cutoff and therefore his litter was deemed ineligible. Unfortunately, a second forfeit had been paid by a puppy buyer which in turn had to be returned. This breeder was refunded his nomination fee and the second forfeit fee which he had already paid as well.

There has been one additional nomination which I received in the mail that was very late (pups were almost a year old), which was returned to the breeder as well.

2025 Field Futurity details:

There were a total of 26 litters nominated to the 2025 Field Futurity. As stated above, two were deemed ineligible bringing the total of eligible litters to 24. These 24 litters consist of 91 male puppies and 71 female puppies. There is 30 Second Forfeits paid. Refunded Second Forfeits were never generated into the totals.
These litters were whelped in 12 different states with 5 litters in Texas, 4 litters in Kansas, 2 in Ohio, Washington, Connecticut, Virginia, California and the remaining states with only one litter. There are 25 different breeders connected to these litters, all GSPCA members within the time restraints of the old rules. These litters were sired by 20 different stud dogs, with 4 of them with two litters each.

26 Litters Nominated @ $30	$780.00
1 Litter Nomination refunded @ $30	< $ 30.00 >
10 Nomination Late Fees @ $70	$700.00
1 Nomination Late Fee refunded @ $70	< $ 70.00 >
30 Second Forfeits @ $15	$450.00
6 Second Forfeit Late Fees @ $85	$510.00
1 Overpayment @ $50 (doesn't want refund)	$ 50.00
Subtotal	$2390.00

2026 Field Futurity details:
There are 7 litters nominated to the 2026 Field Futurity as of June 9th. These 7 litters consist of 22 male puppies and 18 female puppies. There are 8 breeders connected to these litters, all GSPCA members at the time of nomination.

7 Litter Nominations @ $30	$210.00
3 Nomination Late Fees @ $70	$210.00
Subtotal	$420.00

Questions to the Board:

1. Can GSPCA Membership expiring date be added to the opening page of the online membership directory? So when I'm verifying membership numbers via the online directory the expiration date will appear without me having to click on the person's name and opening the profile page. Not only would this save me lots of time but would also be a great reminder to the members who do look up their own member numbers when it's time to fill out paperwork that their membership is about to lapse.

2. Can someone pay a membership on a person that is deceased? For instance, if a person passes away and a living person (not necessarily a relative) has possession of the deceased person's dog, can that living person pay a membership fee for the deceased person so they are able to nominate a litter of pups from the deceased person's dog? So, in turn, do we allow deceased people to be members of our club?

3. I need access to Juniors birthdates or the date in which their Junior Membership expires. For instance, there is a Junior member who owns a puppy eligible to compete in the 2025 Field Futurity. By mere accident, I learned that his 18th birthday was in May of this year. His Junior membership would have lapsed on his 18th birthday. He and his parents are totally new to GSPCA and they would have never known that his junior membership wasn't good until the end of the year. There we would be in October when entries are sent to me to vet and his name would no longer be on the membership list.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Faught
Field Futurity Manager

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _____NAGDC_____

Report Prepared By: ___Fred Lowry_____ Date: __6/18/2025_____

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

After a successful event in April the committee met once to review the event and move forward with the Greensboro, AL event next year. Two committee members will need to be replaced.

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

None

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

We made approximately $8,600.00 on the event

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

We are looking for gun donations or purchase one for next years raffle.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None

COMPANION/PERFORMANCE EVENTS /SUPPLEMENTAL COMMITTEES

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Awards Committee **Report Prepared By:** Tiffany Cessna

1. **Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:**
   - Sent out Jotform to all 2024 annual award winners, created proofs and sent them to Jami Meath to have made.
   - Once they are done, I will be sending Jami Prepaid mailing labels and forward tracking info to owners.
   - I created the Annual Awards slide show and Award winner booklets for the Award.
   - I Created an ad for the SHJ with the 2024 Annual Award winners and listed the top 5 producing Sire and Dams. This will be featured in the upcoming edition.

2. **Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:**
   - I will be speaking to Jami Meath and Carly Sutheimer about taking over the Awards committee.

3. **Financial Summary and planned future budget:**

2024 T & S Trophies			
Item	**Amt**	**Cost**	**Total**
Trophies 7X9	37	$30	$1,110.00
Trophies 9X12	5	$58.00	$290
Purchased Plaques	1	$60	-$60
Total	**$1340.00**		

2023 SDR Gallery			
Item	**Amt**	**Cost**	**Total**
Dual Bronze Trophy	5	$185	$1665
Shipping			$221.69
Total	**$1886.69**		

4. **Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):**
   - I was contacted by Brenda Roe and Alex Marin requesting to allow him to purchase a dual bronze trophy for his dog that received his Dual championship in 2024. He became a member 9/4/2024 which is why he did not qualify to receive one. I told her I would bring it up to the board and get an answer for her.

5. **Action Items for Board consideration:**
   - None at this time.

Agility Report June BOD Meeting

Submitted by: Beth Janos

Liaison: Lynn Pettinato

Since the last committee report the only activity we have had is monthly agility stats as well as the NSS Agility Trial. Below is what David Nauer forwarded to me pertaining to the NSS Agility Trial:

This.year"s.868❶.National.Specialty.Show.Agility.trial.was.co_chaired.by.Kim.Trzcinski.and.David.Nauer¡ .Two. days.of.all.breed.agility.was.conducted.on.Monday.May.❶th and.Tuesday.May.❷th¡ .Budget.calculations.(which. include.cost.of.rental.of.barn.for.two.days?the.Pj866.AKC.application.fee.paid.in.January?equipment?trial. secretary?judge?prizes?ribbons?and.all.other.expenses).indicate.a.modest.profit.of.Pj9❷8¡❶0.- .that.budget.is. available.at.request.- .it.was.forwarded.to.Kim.A?Becky.F?and.Dean.B.during.NSS.week¡

Item	Estimated	Actuals	Notes
Expenses			
Site Expense	$750.00		All site costs in site contract, per Kim A my cost was $325.00 per day.
Dirt Preparation Fee	$75.00		Estimated - one prep for covered Agility and Obedience
Chairs and Tables	Incl		Included in site cost
Damage Deposit Site	$0.00		
Insurance Fee	$0.00		Need to check with Dean - will estimate none
Judge #1 Fee	$599.00		Paid Check 22726
Judge #1 Expenses	$162.96		Paid Check 22727
Trial Secretary Fee	$300.00		Discounted 50% for GSPCA
Trial Secretary Expenses	$200.00		For course builder
Ribbon Costs	$75.00		Two HIT ribbons and JB award - estimated
Ribbon Shipping Costs	NA		
MACH/PAX Bar Costs	NA		Have three bars in storage for use
Gates and/or Ring Barrier Costs	Incl		If need to rent ring gates and/or gating
Equipment	$300.00		Discounted 50% for GSPCA by Trial Secretary
Electronic Timer Rental	Incl		Included in site cost
Equipment transport	NA		
Measuring Wicket	Incl		Included with Equiipment or rent
AKC Application Fee	$200.00		100.00 per event number Paid via credit card with application submitted
AKC fee Monday	$336.00		Paid Check 22725 for both days
AKC fee Tuesday	$367.50		
Meals Food Truck #1	NA		Included in overall NSS food budget costs
Meals Food Truck #2	NA		
Judges Gifts	$100.00		Arranged by Kim Trzcinski -- paid check #22729
Chief Ring Steward Givt	NA		
Chief Course Builder Gift	$0.00		
Trial Secretary gift	Incl		Included with judges gifts
Refund Pulls for trial	$0.00		Reimbursement for AIS, AJC
Vendors Fee to facility	NA		If club pays a per vendor fee to site
RV Fee to facility	NA		If club collects RV fees from Exhibitors and pays site
Expense Totals (Low /High)	**$3,465.46**	$0.00	
Income			
Entry Checks	$3,828.00		Income collected from checks sent to Dean B for processing
RV Payments	NA		
Refund Damage Deposit	NA		
Vendors Payments	NA		
NET INCOME	**$3,828.00**		
Total Budget Gain/(Loss)	**$362.54**		

	7 Full Entry GSP	10 Full Entry GSP	
Entry Check Estimate	**$1,120.00**	**$1,600.00**	"full entry" = 2 JWW, 2 STD, 1 FAST, 1 T2B Entry
First Entry	$35.00	$35.00	
Second Entry	$25.00	$25.00	
Third Entry	$20.00	$20.00	
First Entry Trial 2	$35.00	$35.00	
Second Entry Trial 2	$25.00	$25.00	
Third Entry Trial 2	$20.00	$20.00	
Total Fee per Dog	**$160.00**	**$160.00**	

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Obedience and Rally

Report Prepared By: Karen Combs **Date: 6/13/25**
Liaison: Lynn Pettinato

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

-2025 NSS Trials-Geri Orta and Kim Abbot to provide a report
-Researching judges for 2026
-Belinda Venner is continuing to compile Obedience and Rally Rankings

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

-Requested Trophy for High Triple Junior at NSS Rally Trial
-Submitted checklist to GSPCA President (Karen Nauer) for running the NSS obedience and Rally Trials

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

-starting in 2026, High Triple Q Rally will have a trophy. Was requested with the Danny quest bulk order

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

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

   -Requested Trophy for High Triple Junior at NSS Rally Trial

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/January 2024
Committee Report

Committee: Versatility

Report Prepared By: David Nauer (Chair)
Liaison: Tiffany Cessna
Date: 18 June 2025

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
    a. First Quarter 2025 VC, VCA, and VCX awards processed, and certificates and pins sent at end of first quarter 2025.
    b. Trophies for year 2024 totaled 15. These were recognized in a slide show at the 2025 NSS in Longview. They are in process of being sent to the owner of record's address. There was a delay in processing them due to a shortage of blanks to make trophies from. Expect all trophies to be mailed by end of July.
    c. Shorthair Journal 1Q25 Title Summaries sent
    d. GSPCA Web site was updated in early 2025 with the new criteria, but there remains a mistake on the application form itself which still allows any point in the field or even GSPCA water titles to count for "Hunt/Field" credit. Missy is in process of updating this mistake on the application form.
2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes:
    a. The Canadian Kennel Club titles are being reviewed for recognition by the AKC – it will mean some CKC titles will be able to be added to an AKC pedigree. I'd like the board to discuss that when this is approved by the AKC Board of Directors, that the GSPCA also recognize the CKC titles in this program, but ONLY if the applicant has taken the steps to have those titles recognized on the AKC Pedigree (e.g. I can bring up the dogs name in the AKC Search and see the appropriate CKC titles listed).
3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
    a. Pins for VCA and VCX have several years of supply, I am running out of VC Pins. I contacted my pin manufacturer to find what it would cost to substantially increase inventory by purchasing 200 GSPCA "VC" pins, and augment the "VCA" pins by 50 more. Also the Health & Welfare group wanted to order 50 more "Hero for Health" pins since they source from the same vendor.
        i. Cost for 200 VC pins would be $658.00 (due to volume discount)
        ii. Cost for 50 VCA pins would be $414.50 (roughly twice the cost of the VC per unit)
        iii. Cost of the Hero for Health pins would be $419.50 for 50.
        iv. Tariff cost was based on 150% at the time of $2163.40
    b. I confirmed with the vendor that if I had the pins sent to a Canadian address such as Maxine M's we would not pay the tariff. I want to investigate the cutoff point for volume discount, but want permission to proceed with a Canadian Address purchase

(since our membership includes Canadian members), and make the purchase. Minimally I must get those VC pins as the supply I have may not last through the end of 2025.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
    a. Completion of the web site application correction, which is underway.
    b. Approval to purchase additional VC and VCA pins (and H&W purchase)
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
    a. Nothing for this year.

Respectfully – Dave Nauer, GSPCA Versatility Chairman

FIELD TRIAL DATE COORDINATOR REPORT
Submitted by Jan Erbe/Liaison Dan Schoenfelder
June 20, 2025

To summarize 2025 for events from 1/1/25 to 6/30/25, 57 field events were approved; 39 Horseback and 18 Walking. Of the 57 approved trials, 5 were cancelled leaving 52 actual completed trials. Ten of the trials were AKC Regional Championship Trials. See attached report.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Erbe
Field Trial Date Coordinator

2025 APPROVED FIELD TRIAL DATES

WEEK	CLUB	YEAR	2025	DAYS	LOCATION	TYPE		RECEIVED	To AKC
1	Gulf Coast GSPC	2025	Jan 04 - 05	2	Iola TX	Horseback		10/26/24	10/29/24
2	GSPC of North Carolina	2025	Jan 08 - 12	5	Camden, SC	Horseback		8/26/2024	9/9/24
3	GSPC of Atlanta	2025	Jan 16 - 18	3	Arabi, GA	Horseback		8/8/24	9/7/24
3	GSPC of Las Cruces	2025	Jan 17 - 20	4	Sonoita, AZ	Horseback		6/22/24	7/18/24
3	GSPC of Atlanta Regional Champ	2025	Jan 19	1	Arabi, GA	Horseback		8/8/24	9/7/24
4	GSPC of Las Cruces Regional Champ	2025	Jan 21 - 23	4	Sonoita, AZ	Horseback		6/22/24	7/18/24
4	Southern Arizona GSPC	2025	Jan 23 - 29	7	Sonoita, AZ	Horseback		10/30/24	11/4/24
4	GSPC of San Antonio	2025	Jan 25 - 26	2	Cibolo, TX		Walking	6/8/24	6/17/24
6	North Florida GSPC	2025	Feb 08 - 09	3	Bunnell, FL	Horseback		12/24/24	12/24/24
6	North Florida GSPC Regional Champ	2025	Feb 10	1	Bunnell, FL	Horseback		12/24/24	12/24/24
7	GSPC of South Georgia	2025	Feb 13 - 16	4	Arabi, GA	Horseback		8/12/24	1/4/24
7	Gulf Coast GSPC	2025	Feb 15 - 16	2	West Point, TX	Horseback		10/26/24	10/29/24
~~8~~	~~Heart of America GSPC~~	~~2025~~	~~Feb 22 - 23~~	~~x~~	~~Osborn, MO~~		~~Walking~~	~~1/21/25~~	~~1/22/25~~
~~8~~	~~GSPC of Atlanta Regional Champ~~	~~2025~~	~~Feb 23~~	~~x~~	~~Glenwood, GA~~	~~Horseback~~		~~8/8/24~~	~~9/7/24~~
9	GSPC of North Carolina	2025	Feb 27 - Mar 02	4	Hoffman, NC	Horseback		8/26/24	9/9/24
9	GSPC of Las Cruces	2025	Feb 28 - Mar 02	3	Las Cruces, NM	Horseback		12/16/24	12/17/24
9	GSPC of Nebraska	2025	Mar 01 - 02	2	Raymond, NE		Walking	11/21/24	11/21/24
10	GSPC of Central Virginia	2025	Mar 06 - 09	4	Dillwyn, VA	Horseback		12/11/24	12/17/24
10	GSPC of Atlanta	2025	Mar 07 - 09	3	Dublin, GA		Walking	12/10/24	12/13/24
10	Sunflower GSPC	2025	Mar 07 - 09	3	Howard, KS	Horseback		12/9/24	12/9/24
10	Gulf Coast GSPC Regional Champ	2025	Mar 08 - 09	2	Hubbard, TX	Horseback		11/22/24	11/25/24
11	GSPC of San Antonio	2025	Mar 14 - 16	3	Cibolo, TX	Horseback		6/19/24	6/27/24
11	North Florida GSPC	2025	Mar 14 - 16	3	Lake Wales, FL		Walking	12/29/24	12/29/24
11	Northern Arizona GSPC	2025	Mar 14 - 17	4	Paulden, AZ	Horseback		2/2/25	2/4/25
11	Heart of America GSPC	2025	Mar 15 - 16	3	Osborn, MO	Horseback		2/6/25	2/7/25
12	Northern Arizona GSPC Regional Champ	2025	Mar 18 - 20	3	Paulden, AZ	Horseback		2/7/25	2/12/25
~~12~~	~~Four Lakes GSPC Regional Champ~~	~~2025~~	~~Mar 21 - 23~~	~~x~~	~~Argyle, WI~~		~~Walking~~	~~1/4/25~~	~~1/15/25~~
12	Desert GSPC	2025	Mar 21 - 23	3	Paulden, AZ	Horseback		1/12/25	1/13/25
12	GSPC of Oklahoma	2025	Mar 22 - 23	2	Ponca City, OK		Walking	1/16/25	1/23/25
13	Sunflower GSPC	2025	Mar 28 - 30	2	Howard, KS		Walking	12/9/24	12/9/24
13	GSPC of Greater Pittsburgh	2025	Mar 29 - 30	2	Rochester, PA		Walking	9/11/24	10/7/24
13	GSPC of Northern Sacramento Valley	2025	Mar 29 - 30	2	Zamora, CA	Horseback		12/30/24	12/30/24
13	Inland Empire GSPC	2025	Mar 29 - 30	2	Sprague, WA	Horseback		1/1/25	1/2/25
14	GSPC of Central Iowa Regional Champ	2025	Apr 04 - 05	2	Raymond, NE		Walking	12/30/24	12/31/24
14	GSPC of Washington	2025	Apr 04 - 06	3	Cheney, WA	Horseback		12/27/24	12/27/24
14	GSPC of Ohio	2025	Apr 05 - 06	2	Rochester, PA		Walking	1/7/25	1/7/25
14	GSPC of Central Iowa	2025	Apr 06	1	Raymond, NE		Walking	12/27/24	12/30/24
15	**GSPCA NAGDC**	2025	Apr 11 - 13	3	Pinckneyville, IL		Walking	1/18/25	1/21/25
15	GSPC of Idaho	2025	Apr 12 - 13	2	Marsing, ID	Horseback		3/10/25	3/17/25
~~16~~	~~GSPC of Colorado~~	~~2025~~	~~Apr 18 - 19~~	~~x~~	~~Lindon, CO~~	~~Horseback~~		~~1/13/25~~	~~2/23/25~~
16	Buckeye GSPC	2025	Apr 19 - 20	3	Dresden, OH	Horseback		1/10/25	1/12/25
~~16~~	~~CSPC of Colorado Regional Champ~~	~~2025~~	~~Apr 20~~	~~x~~	~~Lindon, CO~~	~~Horseback~~		~~1/13/25~~	~~2/23/25~~
17	GSPC of Minnesota	2025	Apr 25 - 26	2	Milaca, MN		Walking	8/29/24	11/21/24
17	GSPC of Central Iowa Regional Champ	2025	Apr 26 - 27	2	Raymond, NE	Horseback		12/30/24	12/31/24
17	GSPC of Ohio	2025	Apr 26 - 27	2	Dresden, OH	Horseback		3/2/25	3/2/25
17	GSPC of Minnesota	2025	Apr 27	1	Milaca, MN		Walking	8/29/24	11/21/24
17	GSPC of Central Iowa Regional Champ	2025	Apr 28 - May 01	4	Raymond, NE	Horseback		12/30/24	12/31/24
18	GSPC of Oregon	2025	May 02 - 04	3	Madras, OR	Horseback		4/4/25	4/8/25
18	Lansing GSPC Regional Champ	2025	May 02 - 04	3	Iona, MI	Horseback		3/19/25	3/20/25
18	Mason Dixon GSPC	2025	May 02 - 04	3	Roseville, PA	Horseback		1/16/25	1/21/25
19	**GSPCA North Central Regional Classic**	2025	May 05 - 08	4	Raymond, NE	Horseback		2/28/25	2/28/25
19	GSPC of Nebraska	2025	May 09 - 11	3	Raymond, NE	Horseback		2/28/25	2/28/25
19	GSPC of Michigan	2025	May 10 - 11	2	Ionia, MI	Horseback		2/18/25	2/23/25
20	GSPC of Reno Regional Champ	2025	May 14 - 16	3	Reno, NV	Horseback		1/5/25	1/6/25
20	Four Lakes GSPC	2025	May 16 - 18	3	Portage, WI	Horseback		1/4/25	1/5/25
20	Nutmeg GSPC	2025	May 16 - 18	3	East Windsor, CT	Horseback		2/17/25	
20	GSPC of Reno	2025	May 17 - 18	2	Reno, NV	Horseback		1/5/25	1/6/25
21	Desert GSPC	2025	May 23 - 24	2	Red Tank, AZ		Walking	2/21/25	2/23/25
22	GSPC of Reno	2025	May 31 - Jun 01	2	Reno, NV		Walking	1/5/25	1/6/25
23	Hudson Valley GSPC	2025	June 06 - 07	3	East Windsor, CT	Horseback		1/7/25	1/7/25
24	GSPC of Washington	2025	June 14 - 16	2	Ellensburg, WA		Walking	00/00/00	00/00/00
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2025 FT Dates approved by GSPCA

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2025 Regional Field Trial

Breeder Referral
No Report Submitted

Awards Committee Tiffany Cessna
No Report Submitted

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Zoom Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Breeder Education

Report Prepared By: Maxine Moinier **Date: June 21, 2025**

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

   - Will offer Zoom Reviews of the GSP Standard for GSPCA Members – we have had interest
   - We have had to reschedule this seminar with Lynne Bruce, Hollyrood Permanent Registered - Scottish Deerhounds AKC Certified Mentor, SDCA
     To hold a seminar on Genetic Diversity in your Breeding Program over ZOOM with GSPCA Members – We are hoping to do this in the Fall.
     If this does not work out, I have an alternate plan formulating.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes:
   - Working on putting together Mentors/New Breeders – to discuss breeding strategies

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

NA

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

NONE

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

NONE

HALL OF FAME RESUME for

DC, INT'L CH RU AKC NAT'L WGDC
GAMBLE'S BENNY THE JET MH, VCX,
ROMXX pending

OWNER: RICK HOPKINS
Breeder: TONY WEBB

SIRE, HOF DC/AFC RU NAGDC 3X NSTRA
CH Gamble's Odyssey Fritz MH, VCX, RD,
F-ROMX, ROMXX 2nd RU NSTRA NAT'L
DOY Trial

DAM, RAZORHAVEN'S SUNDANCE
MAGGIE

NOMINATION TO THE GSPCA SHOW & FIELD DOG HALL OF FAME

Dog must have contributed substantially to the breed in performance but most importantly in get. Leaving an everlasting impression on the GSP breed.

Nominated dog must be deceased.

Save this form to complete online and submit to the appropriate HOF Chair.

Venue of Nomination : ☐ **SHOW** ☒ **FIELD**

Name of Dog Nominated DC/INT. CH Gamble's Benney The Jet MH VCX

Sex M AKC # SR58319714 Date of Birth Aug 20 2009 Date of Death May 30 2024

Owner's Name(s) Rick Hopkins GSPCA Member ID 1590
[As listed on Current AKC Registration]
Address 2550 Straight Cut Rd, LaFayette, GA. 30728
Phone home 423 6539298 cell 423 6539298 email wallnuthillgsps@msn.com

Breeder's Name(s) Tony Webb
[As listed on Current AKC Registration]
Address 5031 Highland Rd, Gainsville, GA. 30506 Phone
home X cell 678 409 7465 email tonywebb1223@gmail.com

Name of Person(s) Nominating Dog Rick Hopkins GSPCA Member ID _____
Address 2550 Straight Cut Rd, LaFayette, GA 30728
Phone home / cell 423 6539298 email wallNuthillgsps@msn.com

Nominee's Performance Record
List all AKC titles in Conformation, Performance and Companion. (*Award records must be purchased from AKC*)

DC, INT. CH, MH RU NWGDC
~~3x AOM in MH trials, 1 2nd RU NAWGDCH~~ L
List and Identify titles from other organizations.

Int. CH

AKC Summary of Nominee's Titled Get: (Dual dogs only count one time)
Field Champions: 13 **Amateur Field Champions:** 5
Conformation Champions: 13
Companion Titles: _____ Dual Champion: 5 Hunt Titles: 6 MH
10 SH
17 JH

Non AKC Summary of Nominee's Titled Get:
NSTRA: _____ NAVHDA: 70
American Field: _____ UKC: _____
Other: _____

Report Date: **04/03/2025**

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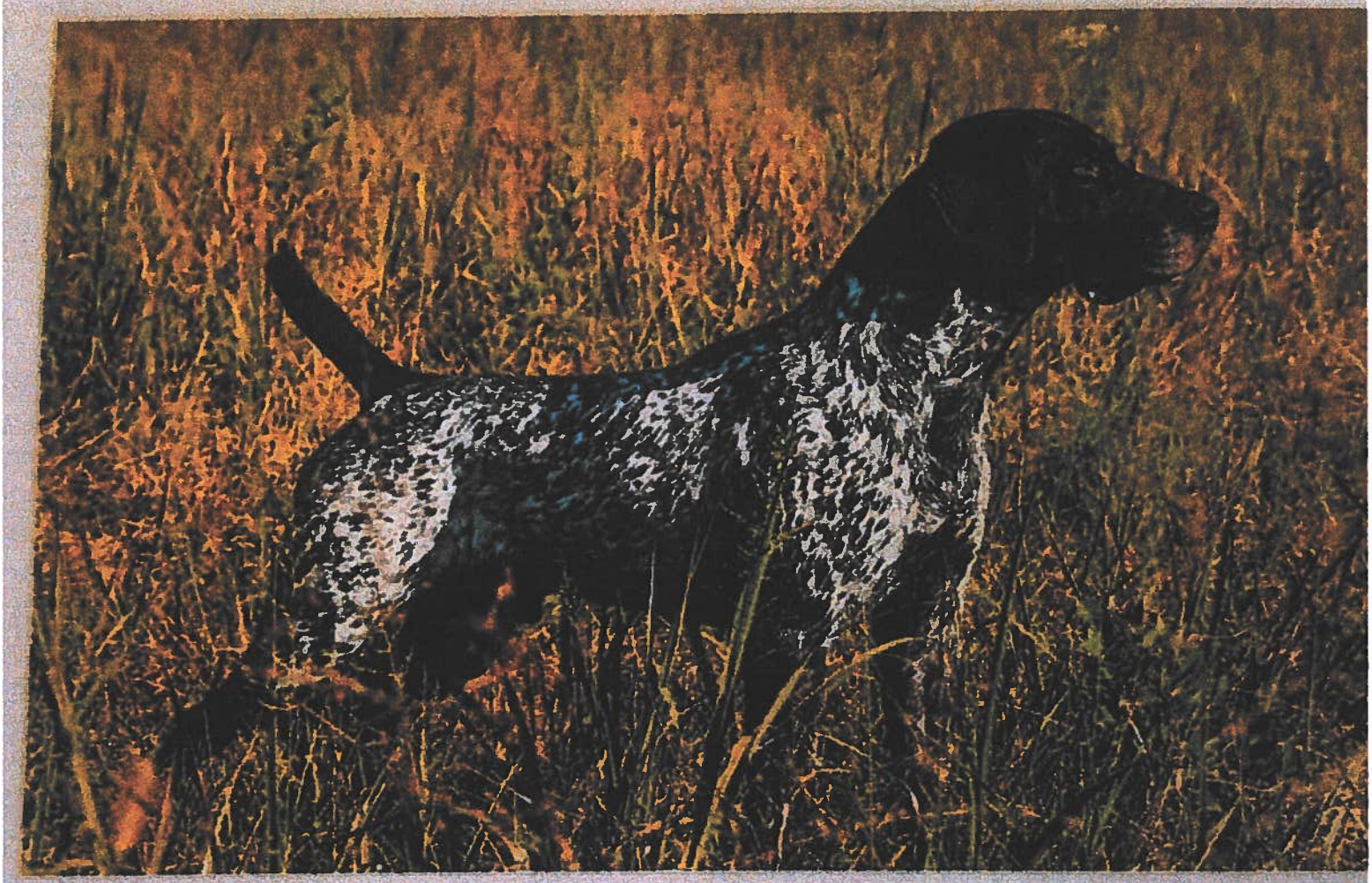
Progeny Report
DC Gamble's Benney The Jet MH

Name: **DC Gamble's Benney The Jet MH**
AKC #: **SR583197/14**
Birth Date: **08/20/2009**

Breed/Variety: **German Shorthaired Pointer**
Sex: **Male**

Name	Reg Number	Date of Birth	Gender
Dam Name: CH Abbe Lanes Sweet Little Elsie MH JHR	SR353687/04	06/09/2006	
CH Quinebaug's Gamble On Dusseldorf JHR	SR896070/01	09/10/2015	Female
Quinebaug's Roosevelt Rough Rider JH	SR896070/07	09/10/2015	Male
CH Quinebaug's Beastly Bailey	SR896070/08	09/10/2015	Male
Dam Name: FC AFC The Perfect Girl Karla MH14 MHA	SR353362/07	06/21/2006	
DC Jandal's Perfect Choice	SR888225/01	05/05/2015	Male
DC AFC Jandal's Perfect Merger	SR888225/02	05/05/2015	Male
Dam Name: Friedelsheim's Goose Crk Grace SH	SR408633/05	02/17/2007	
Friedelsheim's Ryder Grace JH	SR931499/04	05/10/2016	Female
Friedelsheim Gable's Goose Creek Farm Kimber JH	SR931499/07	05/10/2016	Female
Dam Name: Briarfields Into The Wild Blue RN SH	SR414701/02	02/28/2007	
Briarfields No One But You Delilah JH	SR851697/06	09/10/2014	Female
Dam Name: Demi Vom Stillwater MH	SR586905/08	09/05/2009	
Turtle Creek Don'T Know Jax SH	SR797404/02	09/18/2013	Male
Karl Vom Gamble und Turtle Creek JH	SR797404/03	09/18/2013	Male
Dam Name: Friedelsheim's Belgium Lace SH	SR624810/05	05/12/2010	
Scrabble Creeks Second Chance Vd Bootpoint JH DS CGC TKN	SR906919/05	10/09/2015	Female
Dam Name: FC Rtk's Calcutta Clipper	SR667682/06	03/21/2011	
Jei's Goldeneye Of Steelfork SH	SS068198/05	06/19/2018	Female
Dam Name: Bouncin Cobra Lily JH FDC CAA BCAT DJ AJ CGC TKN	SR691611/02	08/22/2011	
Dotzi Von Der Schoenfeld JH	SR912329/01	01/01/2016	Female
Bouncin Hillhaven's Hazel JH	SR912329/02	01/01/2016	Female

DC, INT CH, RU AKC Nat'l WGDC Gambles Benny the Jet MH VCX



Sire: DC/AFC/ 3x NSTRA CH Gamble's Odyssey Fritz MH RD VCX F-ROMX
Dam: Razorhaven's Sundance Maggie
Breeder:Tony Webb
Owner: Rick Hopkins
Health Clearances: Hips OFA Excellent, Elbows normal, Heart normal, Eyes CERF Normal

Click here to view Benny's Pedigree (/uploads/4/3/0/4/4304387/benny-3.30.15.pdf)

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HALL OF FAME RESUME

DC, INT'L CH, RD AKC Nat'l WGDC Gambles Benny the Jet MH VCX

This is an introduction to a once in a lifetime GSP that was truely special. Benny was a loving friend who never missed a chance to get his head rubbed but when he was turned loose at the starting line the fire was lit. He lived to please with an attitude that was beyond any other. His titles speak for themselves, DC, Int'l CH, MH, RU WGDC, VCX, ROMXX pending. To date his production record is undeniable, producing DC's, Field CH's, Amateur FC'S, Show Champions, NAVHDA VC'S and Utility titles, AOM's in Nat'l FT's, and Amateur

AOM's in Natl FT's. Benny's production record shows the true purpose of a HOF Sire producing dogs that excel in all venues as well as himself.

PRODUCTION RECORD

5 DC's 4 AFC,s 13 FC'S 3 NAVHDA VC'S

6 MH's 10 SH's 17 JH's 6 NAVHDA UT 1'S

2 UTILITY II'S 13 SHOW CHAMPIONS

One 2nd RU NAGDC,

3 AOM's AKC NWGDC FT's

Breeder, Tony Webb
Owner,Field trainer and handler Rick Hopkins
Show handler, Lucretia Coonrod

GSPCA SIRE of the YEAR AWARDS

2019 FIELD SIRE

2020 HUNT TEST SIRE

2023 DUAL SIRE

2024 DUAL SIRE

2024 OBEDIENCE SIRE



DC. Int'l Ch RU AKC Nat'l WGDC
Gambles Benny the Jet MH VCX



DC, Int'l Ch RU AKC Nat'l WGDC
Grambles Benny the Jet MH UCX

3.

Benny's Dual Champions

4.

1. DC Jandal's Perfect Choice
2. DC/AFC Jandal's Perfect Merger
3. DC Snips Outlaw Cash
4. DC Snips Riverview Lure
5. DC Snips Poppin' Lady SH

DC



DC Snip's Riverview Lure

DC



DC Snip's Poppin' Lady SH

DC



DC Jandal's Perfect Choice

DC



DC/AFC Jandal's Perfect Merger

DC



DC Snips Outlaw Cash

5.

Benny's Show Champions

6.

1. CH Kan-Point's The Power of Love

2. CH Kan-Point's The Lethal Weapon JH

3. CH Kan-Point's Jenny The Jet SH

4. CH Quinebaug's Gamble On Dusseldorf JHR

5. CH Quinebaug's Beastly Bailey

6. DC Jandal's Perfect Choice

7. DC/AFC Jandal's Perfect Merger

8. CH Snips Lenny The Jet SH

9. CH Snips Jetman

7.

10. DC Snips Outlaw Cash

11. CH She's All That

12. DC Snip's Riverview Lure

13. DC Snips Poppin' Lady SH

CH



CH Snips She's All That

CH



CH Kan-Points Power of Love

CH



CH Quinebaug's Gamble on Dusseldorf JHR

CH



CH Snips Lenny the Jet SH

CH



CH ~~Crumbles~~ Kan-Points Jenny The Jet SH

Benny's Amateur Field Champions

9.

1. AFC Snips Speckled Trout

2. FC/AFC Gamble's Sixth Sens Holliday

3. DC/AFC Jandal's Perfect Merger

4. FC/AFC VC Yara the Nina UDX OMI BN GO VER MH12 MHA CGC CGCU TKP ATT

10,

Benny's Field Champions

11.

1. FC 2nd RU NAGDC Tba Gamble's Vintage Fritz Marshbill : Elmer SH AOM NWGDC, NAGDC
2. FC/AFC VC Yara The Nina UDX, OMI, BN, GO, VER, MH12, MHA, CGC, CGCU, TKP ATT
3. DC Jandal's Perfect Choice
4. DC/AFC Jandal's Perfect Merger
5. DC Snips Poppin' Lady SH
6. DC Snips Riverview Lure
7. DC Snips Outlaw Cash AOM WGDC
8. FC Hot Reveille SH DSA CDC TKN
9. FC Gambles Irok Raising Kane JH
10. FC Gamble's Just a Dog Named Moose
11. FC Kan-Point's Lower the Boom
12. FC Gamble's Ready Willing and Able JH

12.

13. FC/AFC Gamble's Sixth-Sens Holliday

FC/AFC VC Yara the Nina UDX, OMI, BN, GO, VER, MHA, MH12, CGC, CGCU, TKP, ATT



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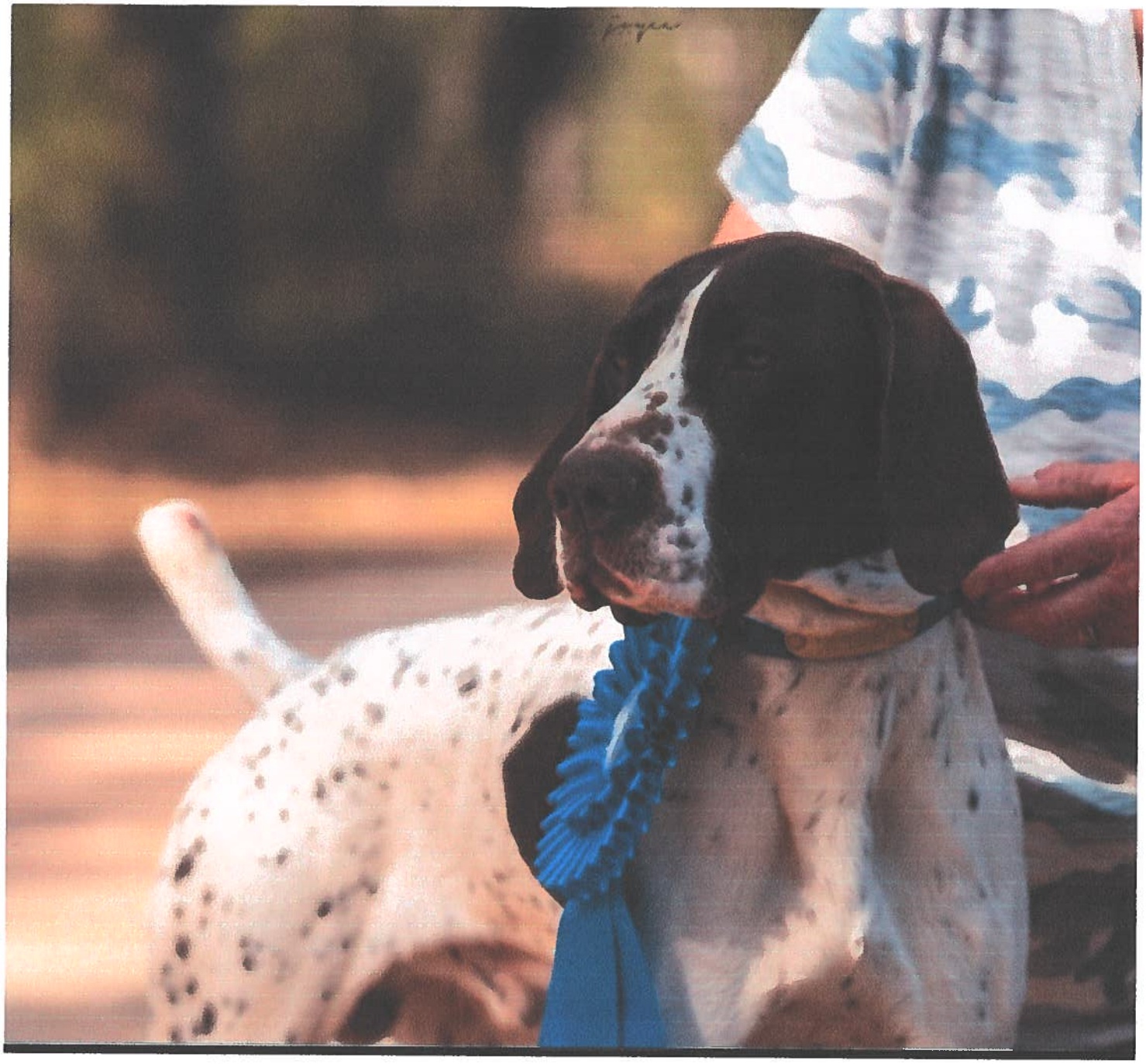
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FC/AFC



FC/AFC Gamble's Sixth-Sens Holliday

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FC Kan-Points Lower the Boom

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FC Gamble's Ready Willing and Able
JH

FC



FC Gambles Just a Dog Named Moose

FC



FC 2nd RU AWGDC Tba Gamble's
Vintage Fritz Marshbill! Elmer
SH AOM NWGDC NAGDC

F·C



Fc Gambles Irok Raising Kane JH

13.

NAVHDA UTILITY 1 and VERSATILE CHAMPIONS

1. CH Quinebaug's Gamble on Dusseldorf UT 1
2. CH Quinebaug's Beastly Bailey UT 1
3. CH Quinebaug's Roosevelt Rough Rider UT 1
4. VC Gamble's Gamblin Man
5. VC FC/AFC Yara the Nina UDX OMI BN GO VER MH12 MHA CGC CGCU TDP ATT
6. VC Quinebaug's Elsa Anderson
7. UT 11 Standing Stone's Young Gun

15.

BENNY'S HUNT TEST TITLES

MASTER HUNTERS

1. Crosspoint Gamble's Bonnie The Jet MH
2. Wing & Shot Gamble's Belle Chasse MH
3. Gamble's Going Beyond The Point MH
4. Bones Fork Sundance Gundog Mag E MH
5. VC FC/AFC Yara the Nina UDX OMI BN GO VER MH 12 MHA CGCU TKP ATT
6. Standing Stone's Gun MH

17.

SENIOR HUNTERS

1. Turtle Creek Jax SH
2. Jei's Goldeneye of Steelfork SH
3. Lacourte's Crosspoint Joyous Heart SH
4. Turtle Creek Tucker 11 SH
5. CH Snips Lenny The Jet SH
6. CH Kan-Point's Jenny the Jet SH
7. Gamble's Sweet Georgia On My Mind SH
8. FC Hot Shot's Reville SH DSA CGC TKN
9. DC Snips Poppin' Lady SH
10. FC 2nd RU NAFC Tba Gamble's Vintage

Fritz Marsbill: Elmer SH

JUNIOR HUNTER TITLES

1. CH Quinebaug's Gamble on Dusseldorf JHR
2. Quinebaug's Rooselvelt Rough Rider JH
3. Friedelsheim's Ryder Grace JH
4. Friedelsheim Gable's Goose Creek Farm Kimber JH
5. Briarfield's No One But You Delilah JH
6. Karl Vom Gamble and Turtle Creek JH
7. Surabble Creeks Second Chance VD Bootpoint JH DS CGC TKN
8. Dotzi Vom Der Schoenfeld JH
9. Bouncin Hillhaven's Hazel JH
10. FC Gamble's Ready Willing And Abel JH

11. Snips Tennessee Whiskey JH
12. Bayville's All American Apple Pie JH
13. CH Kan-Point's The Lethal Weapon JH
14. FC Irok Raising Kane JH
15. Ridg-Points Duke Of Birds JH
16. Ridg-Point Southern Belle JH
17. Ridg-Point Wrenn' Rocky Top Andy JH

BENNY'S GRAND GET

(1)

DAM, GCHG DC Kan-Points Summer Lovin MH

Benny daughter

SIRE, CH Lenny the JET SH

1. CH Kan-Point's Kiss Off SH
2. CH Kan-Point's Kiss This DCAT DS DJ CGC TKN
3. CH Kan-Point's Ruffian's Kiss
4. CH Kan-Point's Lady Yelton

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SIRE, CH Snips Lenny the Jet SH
Son of Benny
DAM, DC Gemutlich Grand Jury

1. CH Gemutlich Grand Jules Trifecta
CGC TKA FTN

(3)

DAM, CH SNIPS SHE'S ALL THAT,
Offspring of DC Snips Poppin' Lady SH

SIRE, DC/AFC Bax-Star's Doc Holiday

1. CH Mull Valley's Spirit of the Woods
2. CH Mull Valley's Sure Point Sweet Rose of Sharon JH
3. CH Mull Valley's Sure Point Hawkeye JH

(4)

DAM, CH Quinebaug's Gamble on Dusseldorf JHR

Sire, DC/AFC VC Friedelsheim's Freight Train Mason MH

1..CH Quinebaug's Spear of Strength

(5)

1. SIRE, Big Chief's Dream Weaver

DAM, Gamble's Circle-N-Silk

Dam is a Benny daughter..

1x NSTRA CH, 2X AM CH, JT'S Lethal Weapon

2. SIRE, 6x NSTRA CH Gamble's Rip-N-Logan

DAM, DC Snips Poppin' Lady SH

1X Am CH Snips It's All About Me, Region HI Point AM dog.



May 25, 2025

Ms. Debra Longton

GSPCA Hall of Fame Committee Chair
German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America

RE: Nomination of Sharon & Steve Datillio – GSPCA Hall of Fame (People Category)

Via email: Deblongtin@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Longtin:

It is my distinct honor to nominate Sharon and Steve Datillio, of Shomberg German Shorthaired Pointers, for induction into the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Hall of Fame – People Category.

Sharon and Steve are longtime GSPCA members and respected ambassadors of our breed, having dedicated over five decades to preserving and promoting the German Shorthaired Pointer through their renowned Shomberg bloodline. They have shaped the breed through exceptional breeding, unwavering mentorship, and a legacy of sportsmanship and service that continues to influence both the GSPCA and the wider GSP community.

Their integrity, commitment, and passion for our breed embody the very purpose of the Hall of Fame. I respectfully submit this nomination for your review and invite the committee to consider the attached documentation and letters of recommendation in support of their candidacy.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Warm regards,
Diane P. Prohaska
Hideaway Acres GSP
GSPCA Member # RS4386

Member Since: 2011
Email: DianeProhaska@gmail.com
Phone: 203-856-7033

Nomination of Sharon & Steve Datillio – GSPCA Hall of Fame (People Category)

Nominee Information

- Name: Sharon & Steve Datillio (Shomberg GSPs)
- GSPCA Member Number(s): MF2128
- Length of Membership: 50 years
- Living: Yes

Hall of Fame Nomination – Responses to Required Questions

1. Describe the individual's history and involvement with the breed and the GSPCA.

Sharon and Steve Datillio, founders of Shomberg German Shorthaired Pointers, have dedicated over 50 years to the betterment of the GSP breed. They have owned GSPs since 1973 and began their love of the breed as bird hunters. From the beginning, they committed themselves to producing dogs of exceptional type, sound temperament, and working ability—standards they continue to uphold.

As GSPCA members, they have participated in and supported numerous National events, contributed to breed education, and provided mentorship to breeders and owners across generations. Shomberg GSPs are synonymous with excellence, and their kennel has become one of the most respected in the country. Beyond their accomplishments, Sharon and Steve have remained humble and deeply devoted to the future of the breed.

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2. What specific contributions has the individual made to the breed or the sport of dogs?

Breeding Excellence:

The Shomberg's bred their first litter in 1976 and have since bred over 30 AKC litters and they are AKC Breeders of Merit. Shomberg GSPs have produced over 100 AKC champions and numerous other titled dogs. Their dogs have earned accolades at the National Specialty, Group, and Best in Show levels. The Shomberg name is known for producing the all purpose GSP that is capable of doing everything asked of them for which the breed was initially developed.

Highest Achievements:

- Bred two GSPCA National Best in Specialty Show winners
- Bred two AKC Multiple Best in Show winners
- Over 100 AKC Champions
- Breeders, owners, co-breeders of multiple JH, SH and MH titled dogs, including an MHA (with 18 passes towards a lifetime title)
- Multiple GSPCA VCA titled dogs

Mentorship:
They have generously mentored aspiring breeders, junior handlers, and newcomers to the sport. Their dogs are also the foundation of other GSPCA club breeders.

Breed Promotion & Education:
They have educated the public and future breeders through presentations, articles, and their informative website: www.shomberg-gsp.com. Their commitment to preserving the integrity of the breed is evident in every interact and in 2006, the American Kennel Club formally approved "Shomberg" as a privately registered name in the German Shorthaired Pointer breed.

Specific contributions to the breed:

- Steve and Sharon developed the Shomberg breeding program which continues to produce GSPs to the breed standing including GSPCA NSS Award winners. AKC Conformation Judge. Both Steve and Sharon are actively involved in their breeding program.
- Steve and Sharon pride themselves on being preservation breeders, stewards of the GSP
- Shomberg was intimately involved in the creation of Mya's Fund through Dr. Jeglum's Veterinary Comparative Oncology Research Fund. This fund provides funds for GSP owners who can not afford cancer treatment for their GSP. They continue by being involved in fundraisers, support, and advise to GSP owners.
- AKC Judge since 2011 – Sharon
- Served two terms on the GSPCA Board of Directors – Sharon
- Selected to judge the 2003 GSPCA National Futurity – Sharon
- Nominated and chosen to judge the 2-015 GSPCA National Specialty Show (Bitches) – Sharon
- Elected and served for 15 years as the NSSEC for the Southeast – Sharon
- Organized presentation for GSPCA NSS attendees by Dr. Gerald Bell of Tufts College of Veterinary on the "medicine of breeding and popular sire syndrome" - Sharon
- Organized and presented Judge's education seminars – Sharon
- Current GSPCA breed mentor – Sharon
- Authored numerous articles for the GSP News and the Shorthair Journal – Sharon
- Organized Breeder RoundTable presentation at the 2005 NSS for open discussion among attendees and breeders – Sharon
- AKC Hunt Test Judge since 2009 (retired due to health) - Steve
- GSP Sweepstakes Judge for multiple specialties – Steve and Sharon

- Served as President of the Mason Dixon GSP Club for two terms and through efforts he built the membership to the highest level (150 members) – Steve
- Handled multiple home bred dogs to championships and GSPcA NSS awards
- Judges Education
- AKC Meetings/Delegate

Health Advocacy:
Shomberg GSPs have long adhered to the highest health standards, including CHIC certifications, genetic testing, and promotion of responsible breeding.

Their dogs are placed after considerable research into potential homes, including puppy questionnaires and in depth interviews.

Minimum standards include: Every dog that is bred under the Shomberg prefix is at a minimum CHIC certified.

Club Support & Service:
They have supported the GSPCA by participating in national committees and regional activities.

- Past member of the GSPCA Board of Directors – 2 terms
- Past member of the NSSEC – 15 years
- Served on various GSPCA committees including Running Rules and Judges Education

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3. How has this individual impacted the GSP breed community?

The Datillios have shaped the GSP—both in the dogs we see in today's rings and in the people who guide them. Breeders across North America have relied on Shomberg lines for soundness, style, and trainability. More than that, Sharon and Steve have given of themselves as mentors, always available for guidance and known for their kindness and generosity.

By knowing and adhering to the breed standard, their impact is measured not only in championships and pedigrees but in the ethical culture they've helped foster in our breed community.

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4. Why do you believe this individual should be inducted into the GSPCA Hall of Fame?

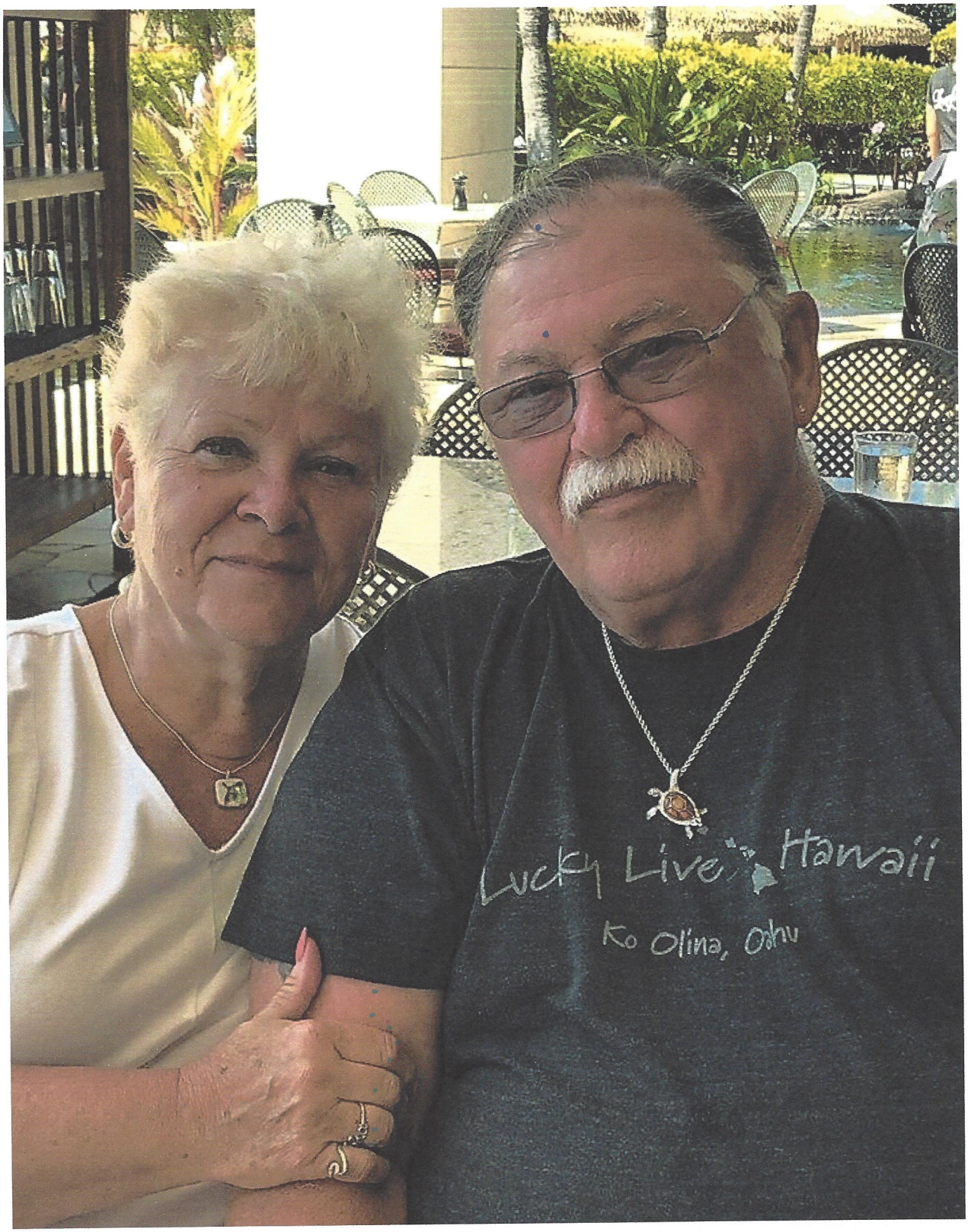
The GSPCA Hall of Fame is intended to honor those whose lifetime contributions have shaped the breed in enduring ways. Sharon and Steve Datillio's legacy spans generations. Their influence is seen in top-winning dogs, thoughtful mentorship, advocacy for breed health, and an unwavering commitment to breed integrity.

They have always acted in service of the breed—not for personal accolades, but because they care deeply. Their legacy is profound, and this honor would be a fitting tribute to their lifetime of devotion and achievement.

Addendum: Letters of Recommendation

Attached to this nomination are the following Letters of Recommendation:

- Letter of Recommendation – Evan Tzanis, Mentee, CoBreeder
- Letter of Recommendation – Kahla Ennis, Mentee, CoBreeder
- Letter of Recommendation – Taylor McCory, former Junior Handler


Lucky Live Hawaii
Ko Olina, Oahu

From: Kahla Ennis <kahlaennis@gmail.com>
Subject: Hall of Fame nomination
Date: May 21, 2025 at 8:59:07 PM EDT
To: dianeprohaska@gmail.com

This letter is in support of the nomination of Steve and Sharon Dattilio to the GSPCA Hall of Fame.

I'm 2003, I got my first pup from Shomberg. Sharon and Steve were " well known" breeders we were recommended to as prospective puppy parents by mutual friends. As the years passed, Sharon became a mentor and friend. We have co-owned many dogs. Under her wings, I was tutored in conformation structure and breeding procedures. As a co-breeder, I have been taught the fine lines of "how to". As my mentor, Sharon has encouraged me to more involved in the world of GSPs.

As breeders of merit, Shomberg has produced many champions in many venues. Sharon has an "eye" for fusing Dam to Sire with great success. She takes great care to check health and temperament in her breeding program. I have watched her care and concern to place puppies with correct person and I right environment. She is always available to her owners for question and help.

I believe Sharon and Steve have met the requirements for this nomination for their years of breeding German Shorthaired Pointers and their support of the club.

Signed:
Kahla Ennis

Dear GSPCA Officers and Board of Directors,

I'm writing to express my full and enthusiastic support for the nomination of Shomberg German Shorthaired Pointers to the GSPCA Hall of Fame.

After losing my first GSP in the 1990s, I set out on a journey to find a breeding program that truly honored the breed—its structure, temperament, and spirit. That search eventually led me to Shomberg GSPs. Now, four Shomberg GSPs later—and having joined Sharon and Steve as a co-breeder—I can say with complete certainty that what they've built is something rare and deeply worthy of recognition.

As a mentee and friend, I've seen firsthand the integrity, knowledge, and generosity that define Sharon and Steve. Their influence has shaped how I approach breeding and showing—not just in pursuit of excellence, but with a clear sense of responsibility to the dogs and the community.

One of the most meaningful things about Shomberg is the importance they place on ensuring every single dog they breed ends up in a loving and dedicated home. It's never been just about the ribbons or titles—it's about the well-being of the dogs and the people who love them. That kind of care and commitment speaks volumes about who they are.

Shomberg isn't just a name—it's a legacy grounded in consistency, compassion, and quiet leadership. What Sharon and Steve have given to the breed and to others like me is immeasurable. Their place in the GSPCA Hall of Fame is not only deserved—it's long overdue.

With sincere appreciation and respect,



Evan Tzanis
Co-Breeder, Mentee, and Friend

Tayler McCoy

Hershey, PA 17033
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Tadpilon@yahoo.com

May 19, 2025

Dear GSPCA Board of Directors and Hall of Fame Committee,

My name is Tayler McCoy, and I am honored to write this letter of support for the nomination of Shomberg German Shorthaired Pointers to the GSPCA Hall of Fame. As a junior handler who has had the privilege to work with the Shomberg team, I can confidently say that their positive influence on my journey and the sport as a whole is immeasurable.

The support and mentorship I have received from the Shomberg family have fueled my passion for showing and helped me grow as both a handler and a person. They have been an unwavering source of encouragement, sharing their knowledge, experience, and love for the breed with juniors like myself.

Shomberg's commitment to fostering young talent and maintaining the highest standards of sportsmanship is something I deeply admire. I truly believe that their legacy of excellence and mentorship deserves recognition in the Hall of Fame.

Thank you for considering this nomination. I wholeheartedly support Shomberg's induction and believe their contributions have left a lasting impact on the German Shorthaired Pointer community.

Sincerely,

Tayler McCoy

Tayler McCoy

Junior Handler



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GSPCA Member #RS4386

May 15, 2025

Ms. Deborah Longtin – Chair, Hall of Fame, People Category
German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America

RE: Nomination of Dean N Browning for Hall of Fame - People Category

Dear Ms. Longtin,

It is with deep respect that I submit the nomination of Dean N. Browning (Life Member #LS2038) for induction into the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Hall of Fame – People Category.

Dean has dedicated more than three decades to the betterment of the German Shorthaired Pointer breed and to the GSPCA. His distinguished service as Treasurer since 1997 (with only a brief hiatus), his leadership in national events, and his extensive involvement in local clubs have left a lasting legacy.

Dean's contributions have not only safeguarded the financial stability of the GSPCA, but have also championed the advancement of the breed across field, show, and companion venues. His candid leadership style, while direct, has always been rooted in fairness, transparency, and a deep commitment to the welfare of the Club and its members.

The attached nomination form outlines his many contributions, achievements, and ongoing impact on our community. I firmly believe Dean exemplifies the dedication, service, and integrity that the GSPCA Hall of Fame exists to recognize, and I respectfully request the GSPCA Board of Directors to consider this nomination.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this deserving nominee.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Prohaska
GSPCA Member #RS4386

GSPCA Hall of Fame Nomination Form – People Category

Nominator: Diane Prohaska

Nominee: Dean N. Browning
Nominee's GSPCA Membership Tenure: Since 1992
Nominee's Membership Status: Life Member #LS2038

Opening Statement:

It is my privilege to nominate Dean N. Browning for induction into the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Hall of Fame – People Category.

For more than three decades, Dean has exemplified unwavering dedication to the GSPCA, the German Shorthaired Pointer breed, and the broader sporting dog community. His leadership, stewardship, and tireless advocacy have left a lasting imprint that continues to benefit current and future generations.

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1. Contributions to the Breed:

Dean's involvement with German Shorthaired Pointers began in 1985. Since that time, he and his late wife, Cheryl, have trained, handled, and successfully competed in field trials, hunting tests, and conformation shows. Their dogs have earned:

- 11 Junior Hunter titles
- 6 Senior Hunter titles
- 4 Master Hunter titles
- 7 AKC Championships
- 1 AKC Grand Champion
- 2 Field Championships
- 1 Amateur Field Championship
- 1 Dual Champion title

In addition to competing, Dean has judged numerous AKC hunting tests and field trials, contributing to the preservation and promotion of the German Shorthaired Pointer breed's versatile qualities across show, field, and performance venues.

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2. Contributions to the GSPCA:

Dean's service to the GSPCA is both historic and unmatched:

- Elected to the Board of Directors in 1996 as Eastern Section Director
- Elected Treasurer in 1997 and has served almost continuously since (with only a two-year hiatus)

- Maintained and safeguarded the club's financial health with professionalism, prudence, and strategic foresight
- Served as Chair of the National Amateur Gun Dog Championship (NAGDC)
- Served as Chair of the National Specialty Show Executive Committee (NSSEC)
- Acted as On-site Chair for multiple National Specialties

Throughout his long tenure as Treasurer, Dean ensured that the Club's financial operations were handled with transparency, accuracy, and long-range planning. At every Board meeting, he consistently provided complete, detailed Treasurer's reports, ensuring that the financial status of the GSPCA was clearly understood by the Board. His thoroughness allowed for informed decision-making and safeguarded the Club's financial stability.

In addition, as Treasurer for the National Specialty Show Executive Committee (NSSEC), Dean played a vital role in reviewing contracts, monitoring expenditures, and ensuring that financial planning for GSPCA events was sound and forward-looking. His attention to detail in contracts and vendor relationships was crucial to the ongoing success and sustainability of those events.

Dean's expertise in Robert's Rules of Order also proved invaluable. His ability to apply proper parliamentary procedure ensured fair, transparent governance even during difficult or contentious moments. Dean did not compromise his principles, consistently advocating for ethical, consistent, and policy-driven decisions for the good of the Club.

Two specific and notable contributions are:

Financial Leadership During Crisis: When Dean Browning assumed the role of Treasurer, the Club was on the verge of bankruptcy. With clarity, discipline, and strategic foresight, Dean developed and implemented a comprehensive financial recovery plan that laid the foundation for the Club's long-term stability. His efforts not only pulled the organization back from the brink of bankruptcy but also created structures that continue to support sound financial management today. Dean's leadership during this pivotal time was nothing short of transformational and serves as a cornerstone of his enduring legacy.

Governance and Legal Reform: During a critical and contentious period in the Club's history, Dean Browning led the Club's direct response to an active lawsuit, representing the organization in court and managing the complexities of the situation firsthand. In the aftermath, he took on the monumental task of revising the Club's Constitution and Bylaws—an in-depth, labor-intensive process that clarified key governance issues and resolved long-standing areas of confusion. Among the most significant updates was the formal adoption of rules regarding collaring, which had previously been a source of division and uncertainty. Dean's tireless efforts brought structure, clarity, and long-term benefit to the Club's operations.

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3. Contributions to Local Clubs:

Dean has been a committed and active leader in several regional German Shorthaired Pointer clubs throughout Pennsylvania and surrounding areas. His roles have included:

- Director
- Field Trial Chair
- Hunting Test Chair
- Membership Chair

At the local level, Dean helped organize field events, support club operations, promote responsible dog ownership, and mentor members new to competition and event management. His efforts strengthened local clubs and reinforced the grassroots base essential for the breed's future success.

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4. Other Pertinent Information:

Dean is known for his direct, principled communication style—always grounded in fairness, transparency, and advocacy for the greater good of the Club and the breed.

He has been a steadfast advocate for protecting land access for field events and resisting external pressures from anti-sport movements—critical issues that affect the future viability of our breed and our competitions. Dean's consistent leadership has helped ensure the GSPCA's resilience in the face of external challenges.

Importantly, Dean has consistently taken on additional responsibilities without seeking recognition, demonstrating sportsmanship, stewardship, and service to the community.

Closing Statement:

Dean Browning's lifelong devotion to the GSPCA, the German Shorthaired Pointer breed, and the broader sporting community is extraordinary. His service has strengthened the GSPCA's foundation, preserved its integrity, and elevated the versatile excellence of the breed.

It is with the utmost respect and gratitude that I nominate Dean Browning for induction into the GSPCA Hall of Fame – People Category. His legacy will continue to benefit our community for generations to come.

To the Board of Directors of the GSPCA:

With this letter I would like to recommend Dean Browning to the GSPCA Hall of Fame. In my tenure of serving on the National Specialty Committee (15 years total) and my 8 years as President of the GSPCA Dean served as Treasurer of our club for the majority of that time. I found him to be a wonderful Board Member and an exceptional Treasurer. I TRULY do not know of any member that has served the GSPCA as long as Dean has. He is without a doubt a blessing to the club, and we are lucky to have him in it.

I do not know of anyone who is more deserving of this honor than Dean Browning.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Chandler

14 May 2025

To whom it may concern,

I have been asked to write a letter of support for the selection of Dean Browning to the GSPCA Hall of Fame.

Without reservation, I support Dean for this honor. During my tenure as GSPCA President, I worked closely with Dean on GSPCA finances and other decisions on questions brought to the board for consideration. Dean was always positive, intelligent and thoughtful in his contributions.

Further, his long tenure as Treasurer is a testament to his unwavering support for the breed and the parent club.

I thank Diane for taking on the task of nominating Dean and reaching out to previous Board members for letters of support. I have no doubt he will be voted into the GSPCA Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

John W Rabidou

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Zoom Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Health & Welfare Committee

Report Prepared By: Jane Yates Date: June 2, 2025
Liaison: Karen Nauer

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
    a. Earmarked $5,000 from donor advised Purina fund hemangiosarcoma research.
    b. Formed German Shorthaired Pointer Foundation to support H&W activities (waiting for IRS determination letter -IRS is backed up due to staff cuts).
    c. Continued DNA Repository collection events with over 1,100 deposits.
    d. Identified and published health articles to the Journal and social media.
    e. Established GSP Foundation website, developing content with articles and other educational materials.
    f. Answered member questions about a variety of issues.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes:
    a. See above.
    b. Continue to work on DNA Repository education and events.
    c. Promote participation of frequently used sires in DNA Repository.
    d. Develop buyer and breeder material for H&W/Foundation webpage.
    e. Continue to develop breeder's database in conjunction with Brandon Whitfield.
    f. Developing breed survey for membership.
    g. Collection information through breeder surveys.

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
    a. CHF DAF end of 1st quarter balance is $81,017.66.
    b. Funds in GSPCA general account earmarked for H&W are $20,000.
        i. H&W has been reimbursing overnight shipping costs for repository ($528.50 to date, many are donating shipping costs).
        ii. Payment of 501c3 formation fees ($50 for Oregon nonprofit corp, $275 for IRS exempt application, all legal fees have been pro bono).
    c. Foundation received large donation from Mya's Fund and in memory of Dot Simberlund.
4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
    a. Resources to update H&W webpage.
    b. To identify potential board members for Foundation.
5. Action Items for Board consideration:
    a. Approve Foundation board members.

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Illustrated Standard Report

Prepared By: Patte Titus **Date: 24 May 2025**
Liaison: Vanessa Carmean

Summary of activities since last submitted report:

Currently have 72 Illustrated Standards from the second printing. Unknown how many Maxine or Shelley have.

Robert Stein of the Dog Judges Association of America, Inc. asked if I would do the GSP Judge presentation for the DJAA Advanced Sporting Institute held in conjunction with the Houston World Series of Dog Shows in July. I contacted Maxine and she "thanked me" because sometimes it's hard to find a presenter this close to the venue. She will be providing me with the JE power point presentation and any other material I may need.

Respectfully,
Patte Titus
Breed Education

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Zoom Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Judges Education

Report Prepared By: Maxine Moinier Date: June 21, 2025

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

- Arranged for JE at National Specialty show, including Ringside Mentoring.
  We only had 2 judges for the Presentation and Hands-On Workshop – a disappointment but for those who attended, they much appreciated the opportunity to hear the presentation and to be able to put hands-on dogs.
- Patti Titus will be presenting JE at the Sporting Group at our ADVANCED SPORTING INSTITUTE in Houston, Texas July 20th, 2025
- A few revisions to update the GSPCA JE Power Point Presentation were made.
- Will be offering the Review of the Breed Standard again late Summer/Fall 2025

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

NA

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

NA

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

NONE

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

NONE

Website Report Prepared by Missy Neal /Liaison: Becky Feigh: **June 2025**

1. CALENDAR: Will be handing this off to either the new webmaster or a volunteer once a decision is made by the Board
2. NSS Results: Up
3. Health & Welfare: This needs some sit-down time between Leita and Missy
4. GSPCA Health Database: No change since January
5. Annual Awards: No change since January - I was sent files that I could not use
6. ROM: In progress
7. Still in the hopper: ADA compliance

NEW:

1. NSS mini-site was elaborate and beautiful this year thanks to artwork provided by Diane P. and the gorgeous event logos. As usual this project took up the bulk of my time from before the holidays until the event in May

2. Main Site was updated to remove physical addresses from contacts (except Officers)

3. MemberClicks updated the copyright date on the Member Section to 2025. That will be an annual request, because they are unable to automate it

4. New in the hopper: Finish up the online NFT futurity nomination form

5. PayPal: The grandfathered code that we have been tweaking for years to capture information via PayPal (mainly for items like trophy donations, RV reservations, etc for NSS) is being phased out by PayPal. So all of our cart buttons will be updated as the need arises, or by the end of the summer (whichever comes first).

   We have maybe 200 point of purchase PayPal buttons that will need to be replaced

   This will take some getting used to by everyone involved with e-commerce on our site, but it is a growing pain and the newer technology is more versatile (scan QR code to pay, send a link directly to a checkout page for a single item, etc.)

   There is a plug-in feature we can purchase for a nominal fee to capture the information and email it to Donna (e-commerce) to be matched with a PayPal payment and forwarded to the appropriate recipient, or emailed directly to the appropriate recipient

   1. PS The iPhone issue with PayPal checkout is still unresolved

6. The Top 25 committee now has their own PP account, I set up buttons for them and by the week of the event they were self sufficient to create payment links and send them out to take payments on site or remotely. The only thing they will need me for is to make any adjustments to items that physically go on their website.

7. Becky and I have touched on the topic of hiring a new person who will ultimately take over the website. I am in agreement that we would benefit from fresh ideas and a tech genius and (hopefully) exuberant about our breed.

8. ALL DIRECTORS: Please change your email password if you haven't recently, to something that's hard to guess. Hackers are rampant, it is possible that someone already got hacked and that is why we have had a recent rash of SPAM messages

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee:

Report Prepared By: V. Atkinson/ B. Feigh /Liaison- Lynn Pettinato Date: June 13, 2025

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
    a. GSPCA membership-there has been an uptick of new Juniors joining. Juniors are participating in a lot of different venues but still not many in the field events.
    b. 2025 NSS Junior Activities:
        i. Pizza party (6 in attendance, passed out welcome bags- food donated by GSPCA members)- special thanks to Karen Nauer and Lynn Pettinato for attending!
        ii. Welcome (Swag) Bags: Numerous items donated by GSPCA members! Outpouring was overwhelming. Used the Amazon Gift registry again and it was well received. Plan to continue to use that tool.
        iii. Handling seminar followed afterwards. Kim Abbott & Lila Holdberg spent time working with some of the juniors after lunch.
        iv. Junior Competition GSP of WA/ GSPCA Regional/ GSPCA NSS. 7 entries this year!!
    c. JC offered Pee Wee Showmanship at the NSS. Leita Estes judged- 1 participant this year. Leita provided a back-up with all sorts of items and toys.
    d. Continue to provide showmanship rankings to Junior GSPCA members via email blast and for the website, and Shorthair Journal.
    e. Updated Junior Scholarship Program criteria
    f. Updated Junior Event Grant criteria

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
    a. Continue to work with Webmaster to overhaul Junior section on website. Process has started with a goal to be complete by late summer.
    b. Develop ranking system to acknowledge the Juniors participating in the AKC Achievement Program on the website.
    c. Item for improvement- Better review suggested junior activities associated with NSS with input from the JC.

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
    a. No loss- continue to self-fund
    b. Need to work on another fundraiser

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
    a. none:

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
    a. Review and approve updated Junior Scholarship Program
    b. Review and approve updated Junior Event Grant Program

Proposed Changes

GSPCA Juniors Event Grant

The GSPCA is pleased to offer an Event Grant to be applied towards reimbursement of expenses for items such as entry fees and expenses associated with traveling to selected events. Applicants must have been a member of the GSPCA for the previous year and current year of competition. All applicants are required to handle a German Shorthaired Pointer at the event the applicant is applying for and must have qualified for the event or earned points towards rankings while exhibiting a German Shorthaired Pointer.

A total of Five hundred dollars ($500) is available for GSPCA Junior members each year who attend either Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show or the AKC National Championships ~~Eukanuba~~ to handle a German Shorthaired Pointer in Junior Showmanship competition. This $500 grant will be divided as follows:

1. Two hundred fifty dollars ($250) available to the highest placed GSPCA Junior member showing a GSP based on ~~in the~~ AKC standings from the previous year.

2. One hundred fifty dollars ($150) available to the second highest placed GSPCA Junior member showing a GSP based on ~~in the~~ AKC standings from the previous year.

3. One hundred dollars ($100) available to the third highest placed GSPCA Junior member showing a GSP based on ~~in the~~ AKC standing from the previous year.

A GSPCA Junior member must attend either the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show or the AKC National Championships ~~Eukanuba~~ to be eligible for the cash award. Requests from those applying need to be sent in writing by email to the GSPCA Corresponding Secretary ~~Showmanship Chairman~~ minimum thirty (30) days prior to the event. The email should include the name of applicant, name and date of the event, provide proof of entry and records showing qualifying wins.

If there is a tie, first and second and/or second and third, the award will be divided equally. If the Junior member highest in the AKC standings does not attend either event, the second highest Junior member in the AKC standings does not automatically receive the first place award and the same applies to the third highest Junior member.

At the discretion of the of the Juniors Committee and with GSPCA BOD approval, other event grant funding opportunities can be considered for GSPCA Junior members. Up to two (2) event grants per year are available to attend events such as other AKC National Championships for Agility, Obedience and Rally. The GSPCA Junior member must request in writing minimum thirty (30) days prior to the event with the event information. Event grants awarded will be based on the applicant's participation and rankings in the AKC Junior Recognition Program while handling a German Shorthaired Pointer.

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: Meet the Breeds

Report Prepared By: Denise Avery **Date: 06/15/2025**
Liaison: Becky Feigh

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
   We participated in the NYC event on January 25th and 26th, 2025 with 8 handlers and 10 GSPs. Once again this was a well-attended event with the AKC stating that more than 30,000 tickets were sold. As in the past, the Javits Center housed the event.

   Unfortunately, the AKC is not holding any other events again this year.

   I have been contacted by the organizers of the NYS Canine Expo for participation in their Meet the Breeds event in September. The format is much different than the AKC events in that all the breeds in a particular group will be in a small area and are not set up in booth style.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes:
   None at this time.

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
   We received the AKC stipend of $1000 for participating and having at least 5 dogs in the booth each day at the January event.
   This year we reimbursed mileage in addition to parking fees for each handler. Expenses for this and supplies (water, treats for the dogs and handlers) totaled $1,070.05 Our breed was well represented for a nominal cost.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
   None at this time.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
   None at this time.

I would once again like to express my sincerest appreciation to Tiffany Cessna for providing Breed Info Cards as well as the T Shirts and swag for the handlers.

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Historian Report

Report Prepared By: Patte Titus **Date: 23 May 2025**
Liaison: Dean Browning

Summary of activities since last submitted report:

Most of my work was affected by an attempt in 2024 to change my local GSP Club of San Antonio from its original founding in 1968 as an AKC Local Specialty Club for the GSP. AKC Club Relations was contacted and the (2018) "Working It Out Guide & FAQ's " recommended and downloaded. Designed to addresses three common types of non-AKC disagreements i.e. internal club issues, dog ownership disagreements & cluster event disputes." Also recommended mediation and arbitration for other issues.

As explained to Ms. Fitton, AKC Club Relations, it doesn't address a hostile attempt to change an AKC Club from its origin or founding and is of no help "if the individuals in question won't follow the Club's current Constitution and Bylaws...return calls, emails or respond in any manner and continue to press forward with their agenda..."

With help from the Parent Club (Lynn & Vanessa), GSP owner members, moral support from Gulf Coast and the prior President's husband(attorney) the Club was not hijacked.

Interim Officers were elected at a Special Meeting and will serve until the 2026 election and new Officers installed 1 January 2026.

Respectfully,

Patte Titus
Historian

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _Regional Specialty_____

Report Prepared By: _Lynn Pettinato_____ Date: __May 18, 2025_____

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
   Approval of Fort Dearborn and Middle Tennessee Regional Specialties

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes: None at this time

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
   None at this time.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): None at this time

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
   None at this time.

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: ____Registry of Merit (ROM)_____

Report Prepared By: ____Renee Lara_____ Date: _____06/13/2025_____

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
    a. *Continue to process 2-3 applications bi-monthly.*
    b. *Submit ROM awardees to webmaster and Shorthair Journal.*
    c. *Send Website updates. Note: Website is behind in placing updates online*

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
    a. *No proposed criteria revisions.*
    b. *Request new ROM recipients are featured on the GSPCA Facebook Social Media*

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
    a. None

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
    a. *ROM recipients be updated on the GSPCA Website. Spoke to B.Feigh to assist in getting these updated in a timely manner. (Note: B. Feigh contacted the Webmaster to have past ROM updated in a timely manner)*

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
    a. *Approve the request to feature new ROM recipients on the GSPCA Facebook page.*

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/Jan 2025
Committee Report

Committee: ____Registry of Merit (ROM)_____

Report Prepared By: ____Renee Lara_____ Date: _____06/13/2025_____

1. Provide a summary of activities since last submitted report:
    a. *Continue to process 2-3 applications bi-monthly.*
    b. *Submit ROM awardees to webmaster and Shorthair Journal.*
    c. *Send Website updates. Note: Website is behind in placing updates online*

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, result of changes and any requested future changes:
    a. *No proposed criteria revisions.*
    b. *Request new ROM recipients are featured on the GSPCA Facebook Social Media*

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
    a. None

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):
    a. *ROM recipients be updated on the GSPCA Website. Spoke to B.Feigh to assist in getting these updated in a timely manner. (Note: B. Feigh contacted the Webmaster to have past ROM updated in a timely manner)*

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
    a. *Approve the request to feature new ROM recipients on the GSPCA Facebook page.*

Journal Report – June 2025

Prepared by Sharon Fitzpatrick

Summary

Bonnie has continued to do a great job as our editor. We continue to get positive feedback from members and judges. We have been recognized by several periodical groups for our publication. She ensures her deadline for publication is never missed, giving confidence to advertisers and members.

The team of contributors is doing a good job of bringing articles forward for the magazine. We hope to continue to add contributors and get some that haven't been as active back to contributing more steadily.

When we moved to offering an online option for our members our copy count dropped and our long time vendor was not sure they wanted to continue to support our business. In our January report we mentioned that we were planning to look again at printers and have been doing mini-RFPs regularly. This was a good time to review services and the costs. We decided to move to a new printer, and they have done a great job on the last two issues. As part of their service, they check for typos and other errors. They have offered us excellent customer service and communication. Additionally, they have Bonnie's commitment to get the Journal out on time!

Improvements

We now have a committee! Bridgette Klarr, Brian Scarnegie and Katherine Maxwell. We will be meeting soon with Bonnie to update our calendar and add new features and expand our list of contributors.

We have not done a survey in a while and plan to create one when we meet.

The Journal is an expense for the club but an important means of communication to our members and the fancy. One of our goals is to continue to reduce the cost of the Journal by increasing advertising and coming up with other creative ways to add income and reduce expenses.

We hope to WIN a publication award!

Needs from the Board

None at this time.

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _Social Media_____

Report Prepared By: _Lynn Pettinato_____ Date: __May 18, 2025_____

1. Provide a summary of activities since the last submitted report:
   Covered the NAGDC and the National Specialty Show. Team of admins posted GSP and canine appropriate content for our social media sites. Followers on Facebook are nearing 24,000 people. Our page has had 250k views in the last 28 days. Instagram has just over 7,000 followers, and had had 93k views in the last 28 days.

2. Indicate any changes made for improvement, the result of changes, and any requested future changes: Have created a form for events, a check list of sorts.

3. Financial Summary and planned future budget (include any explanations of a loss/decline):
   Continuing to use Canva for social media and email blast creation.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): Continual use and payment of Canva. $119 annually.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:
   Adoption of the social media check list for all events, especially the National Field Trial. Merchandise did not have any spam hits this year by operating through the parent club page, controversy was down, nearly non existent on the National Specialty Show page. While some event chairs will complain, overall, I believe it was a success for the National Specialty Show.

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Meeting/June 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _____Yearbook _____
Report Prepared By: _____Deb Broad_____ Date: ____June 2025_____
Liaison: Tiffany Cessna

To the GSPCA Officers and Board of Directors,

As the Editor and Chair of the Yearbook committee, I would like to clarify the information regarding the finances surrounding the yearbook that was presented to the BOD at the Last June 2024 meeting before we can move forward with the yearbook. Let me introduce myself, my name is Deb Broad, and I've been the yearbook chair for almost 20 years. I've been gathering information, photos, reports, in addition to selling ads and advertising for these books. I've put out a top-notch professional yearbook that showcases our breed. I will borrow what Sharon Fitzpatrick said in her president's message that will be included in the yearbook: "Our yearbooks are very special. All in one place, immortalized forever is the history, achievements and recognition of the accomplishments of our breed, the versatile German Shorthaired Pointer - and the people who love them."

So why am I addressing the BOD members now at this time regarding the yearbook? I wanted to make sure you had the actual time to read this report and have the facts ahead of the meeting. AND…. To let you know I was notified by email on May 29th 2025 that the BOD voted last June 2024, to discontinue the Printing of the book, and to go digital, and if someone wanted a hard copy it would be produced in a non-professional setting. Was there a proposal presented on the cost to produce a digital yearbook? I was not notified about the BOD's decision made in June 2024. I just received that email on May 29th 2025. The committee has been working on the 2024 book since last summer, busy with reports, and countless lists and selling ads to people who are expecting to be showcased in a printed copy of the book. It's almost ready for the printer. In looking back at the meeting minutes, I tried to piece this together to find out how it got to the point of being voted on to go digital. I was never included in any conversations or conference calls to discuss the profit/loss viability of the yearbook.

While I don't know exactly what was presented to the BOD, (not in minutes) I can only utilize the information provided by Tiffany's email. I have included her email to me as reference. I will address each cost item. She mentions the costs of printing 6k to 8,600K for 100 to 150 books. The actual cost of printing the 2020-2021 yearbook was $8,471.34. for 150 books. This was a double book price, as we did not print a book in 2020. (no expenses back to club for that year) Because the book was larger due to it being a double book, we had to purchase the more expensive 3 ring binder which held 663 pages in that book for those years. The printer assured to me it would not add much to the print bill. I found out later he had "misspoke". As comparison our 2023 book is 497 pages and can be put into a spiral bound. To compound this price, I accidently ordered 150 books instead of the 100 that I normally order. Now she mentions that the sales of the books are only 10-20 sold at $40-50. I'm not sure where this figure

comes from, but I'm usually shipping out approx. 40 books right after publishing and then more throughout the year/s. The selling of the books is dynamic, as I'll get orders throughout the year and in later years when people want to complete or expand their library. There is no mention of the income generated from the advertisers and the book sales count was incorrectly presented for the 20-21 book. Then she mentions the additional costs for the storage. There is no cost for storage at this time. The club has an anonymous donor currently paying the storage and said will continue to do so in the future.

Going forward the print cost for the 2022 book was $3,605 for 100 books. The income from the ad's and book sales just put us at even. The 2023 print cost is $3060. The book sales and ad's generated $3,884. For a profit of $584.00 The 2024 is now ready to go to Print and it has already surpassed the 2023 figures in ad sales. The bottom line is we are making a profit. The committee will work hard to make the yearbook profitable, however, we cannot guarantee a profit or break even with the future issues. On another note, I asked Debbie King to reach out to membership to get a "feel" of the membership to pay extra for a printed copy of the Journal vs the digital, and according to Tish, approx. 60% prefer to have the printed copy. I was also forwarded a copy of the financial report and sadly all the losses incurred with events is noted. Not sure why the yearbook has been targeted.

The history and showcase of our breed are a treasure, and not many other clubs have a yearbook, much less one produced for 60 years. It would be a travesty to discontinue the printing of the book.

I appreciate your time to read and re-consider the BOD's June 2024 decision. I'm available to discuss any further details with you. However, it may not be timely as I'm living in a home that was severely damaged by a methane gas leak, and my house is under renovation/repair at this time.

I will be most happy to explain to you that just sending special digital files to someone to print will not produce a quality book, not to mention the time and cost associated with it.

I am respectfully requesting to replace Tiffany as Liaison with another BOD member.

Sincerely,

Deb Broad

Editor and Yearbook Chair

Rescue Committee Report

June 2025

The dormant Rescue committee was called into action last month when TWO breeder rescue efforts happened simultaneously.

In Louisiana, authorities searched and seized 13 dogs from the home of breeder Mandy Massara. Another breeder, Rebecca McCasland, was subsequently arrested for her part in the abuse/neglect of the dogs. The GSPCA paid for initial boarding and vetting of the dogs while still in custody of the Haughton Police Department, which totaled just under $6,000

In New England, breeder Cathy Fleming (Cady Falls) dumped 9 dogs on a friend when authorities foreclosed on her property. The dogs were in various stages of neglect, all intact and one with pyometra after a recent pregnancy. The GSPCA paid the GSP Rescue of New England $1500 per dog toward the enormous vetting and board bills. This was in excess of $13,000.

Dean will have a breakdown of the finances with his report.

As some of you know, I have attempted to step back from the Rescue committee due to life changes that increasingly hindered my availability to give Rescue the time and attention it deserves. Resignation was not accepted by previous President :) but now, Melissa Campbell has graciously agreed to take on the position.

Melissa has been involved in Rescue as long as I have, she has the background, resources, social contacts, and the volunteer base to do the job. Over the years she has tirelessly run the Rescue tables at the National Specialty as our number one annual fundraising event.

So it is my hope that the Board will accept my resignation and recommendation to pass the Rescue torch to Melissa.

All the best,

Missy

Water Test June BOD Report

Submitted by Jean Bernier

Liaison: Vanessa Carmean

From: Jean Bernier <knottypinekennels@yahoo.com>

Sent: Mon, May 19, 2025 at 10:42

To: recording-secretary@gspca.org

Hi,

I have nothing to report for the water test.

Jean

GSPCA Database June 2025 Board Report

Submitted by Deb Longtin

Liaison: Tiffany Cessna

- The 2024 All Time Top Producer reports were created and shared with the Yearbook Committee.

Fred Rice (Sundance GSPs) and Brandon Whitfield requested a meeting to discuss the GSPCA database. They are interested in bringing Brandon's skill as a software engineer and GSP owner to create an application to include German Shorthaired Pointer records for NAVHDA, Field Trial, OFA and AKC title records, allowing users to generate reports for dogs as well as breeding and pedigree reports. We had a virtual meeting on April 22, 2025, to discuss the scope of their proposal, how such a comprehensive project might be accomplished, who the intended user would be and how the GSPCA might benefit from it. Fred and Brandon have prepared a presentation for the Board and will be able to answer all BOD questions at that time. It is recommended that there be a special virtual meeting with Board members to address their proposal. The following is a summary of the project and answers Brandon and Fred have provided to the questions I have asked:

For reference, the product will be branded as *Kennel Cloud*.

Description:

Kennel Cloud is a web-based platform focused on advancing the technology available to both breeders and buyers. Through partnering with established clubs/groups dedicated to preserving and improving our breed we hope to provide a single pane of glass for data of merit (Health, performance, conformation, etc).

Beta launch set for late summer.

Here are the specific answers to questions raised:

1. What is it exactly that you want this application to include
    1. Search (starting simple and becoming more advanced overtime)
    2. Charting & graphing for data (e.g. enhanced pedigrees with title/data overlays)

3. Widely accepted algorithms like COI/COR (coefficient of inbreeding, coefficient of relationship - respectively)
4. Simple Integrations to existing content (e.g. YouTube, Instagram, etc)
5. Much more - I will be entertaining any feature that helps us create quality dogs or attracts good stewards of the breed. I already have a ton of product feedback & suggestions - it's overwhelmingly exciting.
    - My favorite request so far: "Can you show me males between 2 and 6 who have a MH title, CHIC certification, and also contain 2 instances or more of *Hillhaven's Hustler* within 10 generations"

2. Who the intended audience is
    1. Dog breeders and buyers of established working/sporting/hunting breeds
3. Is it web based
    1. Yes
4. How will users access it
    1. A web browser on desktop/tablet/mobile device.
5. What do you want from the GSPCA
    1. A partnership to help provide data (e.g. titles, awards, etc) which best represents the German Shorthaired Pointer.
6. Will you protect dog owner ID information
    1. Yes, absolutely - Modern internet privacy laws (e.g. CCPA, PIPEDA, GDPR, etc) require it. Ignoring this would be a fast track to a lawsuit. Users who agree to the terms of service and want to publish this information, like a kennel, will certainly have the ability.

It is requested that the Board allow for a virtual meeting with Brandon and Fred to consider the project and if the club would be interested in partnering with them.

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

   Hoping to earn $500 in social media endorsement dollars for the year.

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

   Firm support from the board of directors of our social media committee and their event coverage.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

   Reiteration to the National Specialty Show Executive committee that alternate social media pages is unacceptable and subject to logo and name moratorium – meaning that they can not use any of our logos for the club or the event to promote the NSS on unendorsed pages.

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America
BOD Zoom Meeting/January 2025
Committee Report

Committee: _____Yearbook_____

Report Prepared By: _____Deb Broad_____ Date: _____January 2025_____
Liaison: Tiffany Cessna

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

The 2022 book was completed and sales made mid 2024. We advertised for ads in the 2023 book in the mean time, to try to catch up to being current in editions, and were able to complete the contents of that one also to aim for end of 2024 to print.

In October 2024 when I was ready to send files and do test prints for the 2023 book, I received an automated email reply that our printing company had closed in August with no warning. The mad dash was on to find a new one. Through my channels I was able to secure a company, do the tests we needed, and get the book printed in the next month. The price was $1000.00 cheaper for the same size book as prior editions, on top of the company being available in my extended area.
Since we used the prior company warehouse for excess book storage, at no charge for many years, they also needed to sell their building and would let us know when they needed to be moved. Deb King made inquiries in the mean time if we could find a member with space to store them. She had no luck with that inquiry.
In the last week of the year I was notified they needed to be moved within a week. Again, The mad dash was on to find a place to store the overflow. Although I keep a couple boxes of each year here at my home, so that I can send out to buyers as requested, I could not accommodate an additional 50 boxes. Those all included years from 2006 to current. Committee Chair/Liaison Deb King superbly tackled that obstacle immediately while I helped to secure a new storage unit in the size we needed near my area for easy access. For the time being, storage was going to have to work. We were able to get it all done in that small window. She got a call from a person who wished to donate the cost of it all, so storage is now financed by an anonymous donor. We are set until the end of the year, in which, the donor will continue as long as needed. If at any point we find a member that offers to store them for us, that would be good as well, but they are safe and dry for now. Deb K has all information needed in case I weren't available and is also listed on the paperwork as the 2nd contact. When we aren't in the negative temperatures, I will do an inventory of what we have in those boxes. Some were full, some were boxes I was pulling from for sales over the years when I got low at my home. There is a possibility we may be able to consolidate for a smaller storage footprint at some point.

The 2023 book was advertised, sold and shipped by the end of the year. This is the last edition to bring us current.

At glance before doing the final chart end of the month, we were able to, between advertisers and book sales, cover the cost of the book printing and basic expenses. Purchasers covered shipping. Any further sales will be able to cover any deficits we might have had on prior years. I have been getting a renewed interest from people for multi and back edition purchases as well.

Being current, we will start advertising and taking ads for the 2024 book, only needing to wait on the release of all stats and files by March/April to complete the rest. Then we will be able to complete this book on time in 2025.
I want to thank my committee, all those who jumped into to help us, the awesome anonymous donor, and wonderful Chair/Liaison Deb King who is always available, and finds no task to large to conquer. Truly amazing how much she can do and does do.

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

Our thanks again to Tiffany for setting us up with the Jotform for advertising. It has been a great asset. And to Lynn and Bonnie for the attention to our email and advertising needs. All together it is working very well with their contributions and very much appreciate their time to help us and make it happen.

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

   We plan to be saving money again on the next book as we did with this one and estimate around that same cost. I want to thank Dean for expediting payment for the 2023 book so quickly, establishing us as a new client. I am sure future billing will be as we did with the other company. They are very good to work with and said they would continue with our needs in the future. There was a name glitch in the book from our end and they were so gracious as to quickly print sticky labels to cover it with the corrected information, free of charge for all of them.

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

None at this time

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

   None at this time

Unfinished Business

NEW BUSINESS

Action Plan GSPCA 6-22-20125Dues Notification

a. The Membership Chairperson and Journal Chairperson will be responsible for placing the membership dues notice in the following issues of the Journal: Sept/Oct, Nov/Dec and a special last call notice in Jan/Feb.
b. The same information will be placed on the website and used for at least three email blasts.
c. The Futurity Chairperson, Membership Chairperson, Awards Chairperson and the Top 25 Chairperson will let all members who have dogs meeting the qualifications for the Futurity, Awards and Top 25 will be dependent on memberships dues for all owners and co-owners paid by 2/28 for Futurity and 3/1 for all other events. This will be completed in January.

2. Member Appeals
    a. Extraordinary circumstances are hospitalization, severe illness, or a death in the family.
    b. All members asking for an appeal will submit a request to the BOD member.
    c. Once a BOD member receives a request, the President or Vice President will send a response via email to the person within 48 hours stating we have received the request and will review and respond within 30 days.
    d. The BOD will treat all members equitably.
    e. After the BOD votes on the decision, the designated BOD member will email and/or mail the result of the appeal to the member within seven days.
    f. If a member requests a second appeal, the member will pay a fee of $50 for the decision to be reconsidered. The fee is not refundable. The process will be the same as above.
3. Juniors
    a. Please add language about the eligibility criteria for all events on the website.
4. Lack of Transparency and violations of Parliamentary Procedure
    a. The back log of BOD minutes should be completed by the Recording Secretary by 6/1/2025 and the minutes approved by the BOD and posted to the website by 7/1/2025.
    b. Minutes need to be completed by the Recording Secretary or designated person if the Recording Secretary is not in attendance within one week of the BOD meeting by the Corresponding Secretary for monthly BOD meeting and within two weeks of the semi-annual BOD meetings and sent to the BOD for review.
    c. All BOD meeting minutes will be approved by the BOD and posted to the website within 30 days of the BOD meetings.

d. All member requests for BOD action will receive a response within 48 hours with a course of action, e.g., reviewing, answering the concern, or sending the request to the BOD. The response will contain an expected timeline for an answer.

From: voyagergsp@earthlink.net

Sent: Mon, Jun 23, 2025 at 20:04

To: recording-secretary@gspca.org

FYI – The MH Proposal from Kahla Ennis.

-----Original Message-----
From: "Kahla Ennis" <kahlaennis@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2025 7:45pm
To: President@gspca.org
Subject: Proposal

To the board of GSPCA

My name is Kahla Ennis. I have been a member of this club since 2003. My first GSP was purchased some 50 years ago. I'm the last 20 plus years, I have been actively showing my dogs in the show ring with success.
I became interested in performance areas in 2017. I began the quest to "owner handle" my puppy to Junior, Senior and Master Hunter titles. In the end, my first hunting partner became a Lifetime Achievement Master Hunter (18). I have handled two more of my personal dogs to titles of Master Hunter.
The reason for this letter is to propose that dogs that achieve the highest titles in hunt test trials receive recognition from the club. I believe, as a breed known for versatility, they deserve recognition similar to that given to Field Trial and Dual Champions during annual banquet at NSS.
A Master title is a huge challenge. While training and trialing, we ask our dogs to use their brains along with natural instincts to handle a multitude of different situations. It is about teamwork and the bond between (professional or owner)handler and dog.
I appeal to the board as a longtime member, owner handler and lover of our breed with all their wonderful qualities. I think hunt test dogs deserve this acknowledgment.
Thank you for your consideration!!

Kahla Ennis
Yorktown, VA

Re: agenda items

From: NW Director Dominic Pettinato <nwdirector@gspca.org>

Sent: Wed, May 21, 2025 at 17:52

To: KAREN NIFFENEGGER

Cc: Melissa Campbell

Thank you for your input, I will make sure these get on the agenda.

Do you have any suggestions on term limits?

Also do you have any suggestions on what we should do if there are not at least 30 dogs at the NAGDC?

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On May 21, 2025, at 3:34 PM, KAREN NIFFENEGGER <foxglovegsp3@comcast.net> wrote:

i have three items for your discussion. ps it is difficult to cap letter with one hand.

1. term limits. The board has become stagnant. no one runs for office as their chance of winning against an incumbent is very low. Particularly since they rarely get their bios in the magazine with the committee nominees. in the past i have had my bio show up in the journal after the election.

2. designating the east central as part of the east section. most of the states in that section were pulled from the east. if the name does not sound right then call it central east, to go with southeast and northeast. That designation would help the show NSS and amateur walking championship in finding appropriate locations.

3. i know every board have different opinions. But to be called a championship the NAGDC originally required 30 dogs. Then it required at least 25 dogs or a 5 point major to be considered a Championship. the last two years there have only been 22 dogs and yet you as a board are still allowing the winner to be called Champion. Or maybe the committee is deciding. I think the board needs to put their foot down and up the qualifications to be designated NAGDC. I can beat more dogs than 22 in a weekend trial.

Respectfully submitted Karen Niffenegger

agenda items… Submitted by Vanessa Carmean

From: scdirector@gspca.org <scdirector@gspca.org>

Sent: Tue, Jun 3, 2025 at 18:37

To: recording-secretary@gspca.org, Lynn Pettinato

Please add to the agenda items:

1. Reconfirming all Liaison committees

2. Reiterated role of Liaison for the committees. I think, specifically for NSS, NFT and NAGDC liaisons are needing to make sure we are all on the same page as we have so many new team members.

Thank you so much for your feedback as it is valued.

Thanks,
Vanessa W Carmean
South Central Director
GSPCA Board of Directors

Re: Board Meeting - Agenda Items Reminder

From: VIRGINIA NEALON <roscommongsp@comcast.net>

Sent: Mon, May 19, 2025 at 07:50

To: recording-secretary@gspca.org

Hello Melissa, I have already written to our representative Diane Prohashka on the National Specialty Show Committee and copied Tiffany Cessna our Northeast Director but I thought I would also mention to you that many of us here in the Northeast who do not always attend the Nationals would be very grateful if the National Show Committee could in some way post the results of the main winners either on the Club's Facebook page or the GSPCA website during the Nationals. Years ago during the 90's and for several years after the Club posted the results along with pictures on the website in real time. We are not requesting that just the main winners so we are not left in the dark waiting to hear who the winners are as we are this year. Thank you for entertaining our request, it would be most appreciated. One thing we thought the club could also look into is having the AKCtv people cover the Nationals. I have a Whippet and the Whippet Nationals were live every day for all classes, it was great! Something to look into anyway, Regards, Jinny Nealon

National Specialty Show Dedication Nomination

Name:

Dorothea “Dot” Vooris Simberlund (October 21, 1937 – May 19, 2025)

1. Years of GSPCA membership:

Over 50 years

2. GSPCA Activities:

An esteemed Honorary Member of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Hall of Fame, Dorothea “Dot” Simberlund dedicated her life to the preservation and betterment of the German Shorthaired Pointer. Throughout her decades of membership, Dot was a passionate supporter of the GSPCA, actively participating in national specialties, advocating for the breed standard, and generously mentoring fellow breeders, handlers, and fanciers. Her wisdom, integrity, and unwavering devotion earned her the respect of her peers and a cherished place in the club’s history.

3. Local Club Membership/Activities:

Dot was a longtime and active member of several local clubs, including the Westbury Kennel Club, the Long Island German Shorthaired Pointer Club, the Durham Kennel Club, the Long Island Bird Dog Club, and the Sand Hill Sporting Dog Club. Together with her husband Bill, they were deeply involved in these organizations. Bill notably served as President of the Long Island German Shorthaired Pointer Club for five years and President of the Long Island Bird Dog Club for two years. Both Dot and Bill believed in the importance of supporting and strengthening both national and local dog communities. Through these clubs, they fostered lasting friendships, mentored newcomers, and helped advance the breed’s presence and reputation at every level.

4. Approximate time involved in the breed:

More than 50 years

5. Activities participated with their dog:

Dorothea “Dot” Simberlund, alongside her husband Bill, was predominantly a devoted conformation exhibitor and preservation breeder, with a deep commitment to maintaining

the versatility of the German Shorthaired Pointer. Together, they actively participated in conformation events, field trials, hunt tests, and performance competitions, believing that a true GSP should possess both correct structure and natural ability. Their dogs were seen competing successfully in the ring and in the field, reflecting their dedication to the dual-purpose heritage of the breed.

6. Contributions to the breed:

Dorothea "Dot" Simberlund's contributions to the German Shorthaired Pointer community are enduring, historically significant, and nationally celebrated. A recipient of the AKC Platinum Level Breeder of Merit designation, Dot bred well over 100 AKC champions, shaping the breed for generations through her thoughtful, purposeful breeding program.

She was honored as the 2016 AKC Sporting Breeder of the Year — a national recognition of her lifetime of achievement and her lasting impact on the sporting group. Dot's breeding program produced not only conformation champions but also top-ranking performance dogs with the highest of titles in performance events, underscoring her unwavering commitment to preserving the breed's natural versatility.

Among her most notable accomplishments, she bred and owned the only dog to win the Triple Crown — Sweepstakes, Futurity, and Best of Breed at a GSPCA National Specialty. This same dog was also the youngest to ever win the National Specialty at just 14 months of age and the only dog to win Best of Breed four times. As of today, this dog remains the second all-time top-producing sire in the breed's history.

Her breeding program produced multiple recipients of GSPCA Sire and Dam of the Year awards in conformation and performance venues, as well as several Show Dog of the Year winners. Beyond these public accomplishments, Dot's most lasting legacy lies in the generations of breeders, handlers, and fanciers she mentored.

Dot was a deeply devoted family person who raised five children while pouring her heart and passion into the breed. A tireless advocate for responsible breeding, breed preservation, and sportsmanship, Dot leaves behind a rich and indelible mark on the breed — one honored by her well-earned place in the GSPCA Hall of Fame and carried forward by those she taught, inspired, and influenced.

-----Original Message-----
From: "Alex Marin" <alexmarin734@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2025 12:58pm
To: "Lynn Pettinato Corresponding Secretary" <secretary@gspca.org>
Subject: Re: GSPCA

If it is possible to buy it, let me know, and thank you very much for helping me.

El El jue, may 15, 2025 a la(s) 12:50 p.m., Lynn Pettinato Corresponding Secretary <secretary@gspca.org> escribió:

Alex

The trophies are not retroactive.

They are awarded for the year you earned the title.

Lynn

Sent from my iPhone

On May 15, 2025, at 8:46 AM, Alex Marin <alexmarin734@gmail.com> wrote:

So for next year I am eligible?

El El jue, may 15, 2025 a la(s) 11:42 a.m., Lynn Pettinato <secretary@gspca.org> escribió:

HI Alex,

I researching this, we noted that you became a member in September, 2024. To be eligible for GSPCA awards in 2024, you needed to be a member by February 28, 2024. It is a standing rule for all GSPCA awards that are given out.

Congratulations on the completion of your Dual Championship.

Regards,

Lynn Pettinato

-----Original Message-----
From: "Alex Marin" <alexmarin734@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2025 9:22pm
To: secretary@gspca.org
Subject: GSPCA

Hello, my name is Alex Marin, member number RS-15020. My dog won the DC this year. I understand that you send a statue as recognition. My dog's information is AKC# 26515811. Could you help me? Thank you.
Enviado desde mi iPhone

Agenda Item: Submitted by Diane Prohaska/Liaison Tiffany Cessna

I'm not sure if you were the one who prepared the minutes, but I thought you might be the appropriate person to receive any suggested edits ahead of the next annual meeting. Copying Sharon as she was the sitting President at the time and may offer additional insight.

I'd like to recommend the following revisions to more fully describe the questions I raised and the discussion that followed.

I'm not sure if this would be addressed now or a formal request before approval at the meeting next year, but thought it was important for you to have it for the formal record. Please let me know what you decide.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration. I'm sorry for any additional time this may cause. Diane

1ST Recommendation:

Diane Prohaska asked why individual votes are no longer listed in Board meeting minutes and for the board to reconsider this practice. She emphasized the value of transparency so members can better understand how their directors vote—especially when considering future nominations and elections.

It was explained that the practice ended after board members were subjected to bullying over their votes. She asked for a straw poll to gauge importance among the members in attendance and it showed that the majority of members in attendance did not feel it was necessary to list individual votes. Members who wish to know how a director voted are encouraged to contact their representative directly. Directors in attendance committed to sharing their votes when asked. Karen Nauet, VP stated the board will continue to look at this practice.

Original draft meeting notes:

Diane Prohaska made a request to know why we aren't listing how everyone voted in a board of directors meeting in a majority situation. A straw poll was taken, and the majority of the members in attendance do not want the listing of the individual board members voted on. It was suggested that the members concerned contact their director to see how they voted. Directors are encouraged to advise how they voted, not how others vote.

2ND Recommendation:

Brought forward by Diane Prohaska, it was noted that, with minor exceptions, minutes are not visible or available from 2023 to the present. She also noted that the board holds regular, multi day meetings twice a year, in addition to monthly calls, making timely and accessible minutes especially important. Sharon Fitzpatrick advised that there is a plan of action in place to remedy this. Diane Prohaska thanked the board for taking steps toward improving the distribution and accessibility of meeting minutes.

Original draft meeting notes:

Brought forward by Diane Prohaska, the secretary, minutes are not visible and available from 2023 to the present. Sharon Fitzpatrick advised that we have a plan of action to remedy.

From: Deb Broad <bearmt@grolen.com>
Date: June 20, 2025 at 7:37:19 PM PDT
To: secretary@gspca.org
Subject: Yearbook Committee Report June Meeting

To the GSPCA Officers and Board of Directors,
As the Editor and Chair of the Yearbook committee, I would like to clarify the information regarding the finances surrounding the yearbook that was presented to the BOD at the Last June 2024 meeting before we can move forward with the yearbook.. Let me introduce myself, my name is Deb Broad, and I've been the yearbook chair for almost 20 years. I've been gathering information, photos, reports, in addition to selling ads and advertising for these books. I've put out a top-notch professional yearbook that showcases our breed. I will borrow what Sharon Fitzpatrick said in her president's message that will be included in the yearbook: "Our yearbooks are very special. All in one place, immortalized forever is the history, achievements and recognition of the accomplishments of our breed, the versatile German Shorthaired Pointer - and the people who love them."
So why am I addressing the BOD members now at this time regarding the yearbook? I wanted to make sure you had the actual time to read this report and have the facts ahead of the meeting. AND…. To let you know I was notified by email on May 29th 2025 that the BOD voted last June 2024, to discontinue the Printing of the book, and to go digital, and if someone wanted a hard copy it would be produced in a non-professional setting. Was there a proposal presented on the cost to produce a digital yearbook? I was not notified about the BOD's decision made in June 2024. I just received that email on May 29th 2025. The committee has been working on the 2024 book since last summer, busy with reports, and countless lists and selling ads to people who are expecting to be showcased in a printed copy of the book. It's almost ready for the printer. In looking back at the meeting minutes, I tried to piece this together to find out how it got to the point of being voted on to go digital. I was never included in any conversations or conference calls to discuss the profit/loss viability of the yearbook.
While I don't know exactly what was presented to the BOD, (not in minutes) I can only utilize the information provided by Tiffany's email. I have included her email to me as reference. I will address each cost item. She mentions the costs of printing 6k to 8,600K for 100 to 150 books. The actual cost of printing the 2020-2021 yearbook was $8,471.34. for 150 books. This was a double book price, as we did not print a book in 2020. (no expenses back to club for that year) Because the book was larger due to it being a double book, we had to purchase the more expensive 3 ring binder which held 663 pages in that book for those years. The printer assured to me it would not add much to the print bill. I found out later he had "misspoke". As comparison our 2023 book is 497 pages and can be put into a spiral bound. To compound this price, I accidently ordered 150 books instead of the 100 that I normally order. Now she mentions that the sales of the books are only 10-20 sold at $40-50. I'm not sure where this figure comes from, but I'm usually shipping out approx. 40 books right after publishing and then more throughout the year/s. The selling of the books is dynamic, as I'll get orders throughout the year and in later years when people want to complete or expand their library. There is no mention of the income generated from the advertisers and the book sales count was incorrectly presented for the 20-21 book. Then she mentions the additional costs for the storage. There is no cost for storage at this time. The club has an anonymous donor currently paying the storage and said will continue to do so in the future.
Going forward the print cost for the 2022 book was $3,605 for 100 books. The income from the ad's and book sales just put us at even. The 2023 print cost is $3060. The book sales and ad's generated $3,884. For a profit of $584.00 The 2024 is now ready to go to Print and it has already surpassed the 2023 figures in ad sales. The bottom line is we are making a profit. The committee will work hard to make the yearbook profitable, however, we cannot guarantee a profit or break even with the future issues. On another note, I asked Debbie King to reach out to membership to get a "feel" of the membership to pay extra for a printed copy of the Journal vs the digital, and according to Tish, approx. 60% prefer to have the printed copy. I was also forwarded a copy of the financial report and sadly all the losses incurred with events is noted. Not sure why the yearbook has been targeted.
The history and showcase of our breed are a treasure, and not many other clubs have a yearbook, much less one produced for 60 years. It would be a travesty to discontinue the printing of the book.
I appreciate your time to read and re-consider the BOD's June 2024 decision. I'm available to discuss any further details with you. However, it may not be timely as I'm living in a home that was severely damaged by a methane gas leak, and my house is under renovation/repair at this time.
I will be most happy to explain to you that just sending special digital files to someone to print will not produce a quality book, not to mention the time and cost associated with it.
I am respectfully requesting to replace Tiffany as Liaison with another BOD member.
Sincerely,
Deb Broad
Editor and Yearbook Chair

Hi Melissa,

I respectfully submit the below as an agenda item:

Subject: Request for June Board Meeting Agenda Item – Website Review and Updates

Dear Board Members,

I'd like to kindly request that a review of the GSPCA website and the information it provides be included as an agenda item for the June Board Meeting. As one of our most visible tools for members and the public, the website plays an important role in supporting engagement and sharing accurate information.

There are a few areas I've noticed that could benefit from some updates or clarification:

· Job Descriptions vs. Rules: Some job descriptions posted online appear to differ from what's currently in the committee rules, which might create confusion. It may also be helpful to distinguish between role responsibilities and the general rules that guide a function, so that descriptions remain clear and approachable. It might be a good time to review all job descriptions to ensure they reflect current functions and responsibilities, rather than outdated references or older versions of rules. An example is the job description for the running rules chair specifies outdated rules on how judges are selected from the actual running rules.

· Junior Section: The junior handler page hasn't been updated in quite some time. I had offered to help refresh it a couple of years ago (and since then) and was told at the time that a revision had already been written. However, the page still includes information that is extremely outdated—such as references to Eukanuba, which hasn't existed in over a decade. This has caused confusion when verbal instructions don't align with what's posted, and a refresh could go a long way in making this section more current and helpful for juniors and their families.

· General Updates: A few pages are missing recent information, for example annual awards have not been updated since 2020, all-time top producers list also since 2020.

· Consistency in dates: for example for futurity it states you must be a member by February 28 (by really means no later than 2/27), other programs say March 1st. An example of consistency across all programs might specify "on or before February 28"?

To be helpful, perhaps a small Website Review group could take a look and make suggestions in collaboration with the webmaster and committee chairs. It could be a great opportunity to celebrate the work already being done while finding small ways to improve usability and ensure things are easy to navigate—especially for newer members.

Thank you for considering this. I'm happy to assist in any way that's helpful.

Warm regards,
Diane Prohaska