



German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America Board Of Directors Meeting Committee Reports January 29-30, 2016

NATIONAL EVENTS

NAGDC Executive Committee Report (Chuck Parietti/liaison-Dean Goodding)

January 2016 GSPCA BOD NAGDC Report

The 2016 NAGDC starts April 1st at Wasatch Wing and Clay at Lehi, UT. The AKC Walking Championship follows on the same grounds. The judges for the NAGD Championship have been selected and approved by the Executive committee. They are Dennis Pennington of Bluffdale, UT and Mark Spurgeon of Belvidere, ILL. Tom Workman- FT Chairman and his team of help from the GSP of Utah Club have the detailed planning for a successful 2016 NAGDC well in hand. 2016 will be an important benchmark for the West region to determine both support for the central location as well as the overall financial support for the event. It costs \$ 9-10,000 to put on a top quality NAGDC. Entry fees cover about half. The remainder is covered thru catalog ad support and local & regional GSPCA club support and donations. This has been very successfully done in the other regions.

The BOD has previously approved Pickneyville, Ill for 2017 and Mingo, Oh for 2018.

I have submitted my intended retirement as Chairman of the NAGDC Executive Committee effective 12-31-15. We have made significant progress over the past 5 years in establishing the structure, quality and reputation of the NAGDC. The future of this Gun Dog Championship is in good shape with very strong support and capable leadership thru the dedication of the Executive committee.

In 2011 I argued very passionately to maintain geographic rotation as the key feature of the NAGDC . As I depart I still firmly believe this aspect is critical for the future. It's taken some time to get all the right venues thru trial and error but we are close to a solid long term format. One only has to look at the 2015 RU Champion to get the validity of rotation. Will Kitts and his dog Tampa had the opportunity to participate at Mingo and made the most of it. National inclusiveness is a feature the GSPCA should cherish. The dogs that have won the NAGDC are all very top tier GSP's that have proven the depth of their ability to be good horseback dogs but also the versatility and teamwork to be great foot handling Gun Dogs. One final point is to recognize the number of GSP Gun Dog owners and handlers that the NAGDC attracts over the three year rotation. It is way more than Eureka over the same 3 years. The Amateur at Eureka has great attraction for the core 20 or so handlers that make it the focus of their year and breeding programs. The NAGDC has a much broader base to build on going into the future. Beyond any doubt it will grow and thrive in the future. A strong NAGDC is very important to the GSPCA because it really reinforces the core values underpinning our club and breed standard.

Lastly, the NAGDC Running Rules are in bad need of a rewrite to be more reflective of how the operation has evolved since its inception. I will undertake that task over the next few months of

long winter days and nights in Missouri. My warm thanks to the GSPCA BOD for all the support and belief in the NAGDC.

Chuck Parietti ---- Executive Committee Chairman

NAGDC Liaison Report Prepared By: Dean Goodding

Date: 1/3/16

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

NAGDC- Chuck Parietti current Committee chairperson is stepping down from the position this year. His recommendation to replace him is Tom Workman, From Arizona. Chuck will stay through the 2016 NAGDC in Utah as almost a co-chair, until the reins are handed over after the event completes.

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

The committee continues to find better grounds in Key locations. The one in the West this year will complete the three locations, IF the grounds prove to be acceptable, but the amount of entries, will be the deciding factor. We will be having our event ahead of the AKC walking trial being held at the same location.

Result of Changes:

Unknown at this time

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

Try to establish the 3 locations and dates so people can plan a year in advance to attend. Work with the AKC representative to coordinate our event to be at the same place and convince them to go together and hold theirs at the same time as ours.

3. Financial Summary:

Past Year *See Committee Report*

Current Year *See committee report*

Planned Budget for Future

More flexibility will be available as the event grows and becomes more profitable

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

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

Currently the running rules state that the Board will appoint the chair. The committee would like that changed to having the committee appoint the chair.

NSS Executive Committee Report (Jane Handshumaker/liaison-Renee Lara)

Prepared By: Jane Handschumaker

Date: Jan. 4, 2 016

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

Administer and oversee the NSS and all related activities both direct and indirect.

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

The 2016 NSS was moved from Gettysburg site to Harrisburg Pa. in order to provide a quality site. This move necessitated a change of dates for one year only, May 25 – 28, 2016. Members of the NSSEC visited the Gettysburg site and found problems. The promised renovations were not taking place and the facility was found unacceptable. The new venue, The Best Western Premier Hotel, is a newly renovated facility and offered a considerably better contract. The room nights are less (150), and there is no food or beverage minimum. The management has been most cooperative and positive about our event. As of 1/4/16 we have 331 room nights reserved.

Result of Changes:

It provided us with a better contract financially, a quality venue and easy access.

The NSSEC took steps to maintain financial responsibility by approving the change of selecting only one conformation judge for the NSS. We did keep the ability to add/elect a second judge based on history of entries by location. The process for selecting judges remains the same.

2(a). 2015 Eukanuba Regional Specialty Show - 70 entries

Report provided by Dan Mack

The 2015 entry increased by 12.5% from 2013, and 11.3% from 2014.

Trophies were \$279.00 and all covered by donations.

\$1,211.70 settlement was received from MBF

- 500.00 approximate expenses (I have not been given a final figure)

\$711.70 approximate net profit.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

Continue to support the Eukanuba Regional specialty

Consider providing the Eukanuba medallions for the Eukanuba show on Saturday.

3. Financial Summary:

Past Year: It is my opinion that the 2015 NSS will show a loss, I do not believe it has been finalized at this time.

Current Year: The 2016 NSS should have a bottom line profit.

Planned Budget for Future: defer to Dean Browning

If there is a loss or decline in revenue please provide reasons.

An Inordinate number of room cancellations and early departures (weather)

At the time of attrition negotiation we were well above the required room nights.

The hotel was not at all cooperative. The NSSEC deleted them from future consideration for the NSS location.

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

As with any software/web update there are issues. I have had messages that the member clicks for online voting (2019 judges) can be problematic.

We may need to extend the deadline for voting from Feb 1 to Feb 15. (two weeks).

The information, and forms were submitted on time; it is the process that is the problem

Missy is aware and is working on it. Some votes have come thru.

The NSS BOB trophy inventory is low and the NSSEC will need to consider a new trophy or try to find the vendor for our past traditional BOB trophy.

I would like to approach the NSSEC about adding to at large committee positions. This will be a discussion for 2016 and of course would require a revision of the running rules.

Review and update running rules as needed.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

Please consider two possible times for the annual meeting as I anticipate a larger entry at Harrisburg, which in turn requires an earlier start time for judging.

National Specialty Show Futurity Report (Holly Faught/liaison-Renee Lara)

The 2016 Futurity is made up of 63 nominated litters consisting of 441 puppies (232 males & 209 females). First Forfeits are due by December 31st so they are just now beginning to creep in. As of December 20, 2015, I had received First Forfeits for 61 pups. Reminders have been emailed to all breeders encouraging them to mail their forfeits early as well as renew their GSPCA membership early as a 2016 membership number is required on their Second Forfeit Cards by February 28, 2016.

The 2017 Futurity is making a slow start. Eligibility began on October 1st, to date we have 4 litters nominated.

I would like to commend Missy and Cynthia for all the work they have done this year to get the Futurity online. We are now live and running, accepting nominations, first and second forfeit payments as well as late fees. Forms can also be downloaded from the website for those wishing to pay by check. Being the first year to be online, people are getting used to the system and we are getting a few kinks worked out but so far so good!

No Committee Needs or Actions are needed at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Faught

NFT Executive Committee Report (Phil Mathiowetz/liaison-Gene Moseley)

National Field Trial Committee
January GSPCA Board of Directors Report

The 2015 National Field Trials were again held at the Bechtel Ranch in Eureka Kansas beginning October 11. This year's trials generally went off without a hitch. We saw reasonable weather and no delays in running other than some fog one morning. For the first time in a number of years there was a run off for the National Championship. While rare, it does occasionally happen and I think the committee handled it in stride. We did lose one of our amateur judges on the first day of the Amateur Championship due to a family emergency. Because we had three judges assigned, we were able to simply continue so no time was lost. This year found us looking for a new cook. Karen Wagner had to back out due to other commitments. Sharon Heinemann (wife of our bird supplier) helped locate potential candidates and we hired Shelly Stone from Iona, KS to cook for the first week. Cooking was provided by a husband and wife from SE Kansas for the last half of the trial. The Chairs' are coordinating all of next year's cooking and hospitality through Christy Featherston who has done a phenomenal job in the past and has graciously accepted the assignment again.

Our annual delegates meeting and elections were held and several new members were elected to the Field Trial Executive Committee. Dave Walker returns to the committee replacing Ben Collier. Andy Gerdes replaces Kirk Bomer. Dan DiMambro replaces Jerry Paddock. And Don Dalton replaces Stephanie Casdorph. The committee welcomes all of the new members and looks forward to their hard work and dedication. As much as we welcome our new members we cannot thank our old members enough for their past service and complete dedication to the club. All of these people never once hesitated to accept a task and always provided great insight into the committee. Each of these people have continued to offer their assistance and support if needed.

The delegates meeting saw a spirited discussion regarding retrieving at the National Championships. After an excellent discussion where I think everyone was allowed to voice their opinions, the delegates voted to maintain the existing requirements for retrieving. This was a good discussion that the committee feels is necessary from time to time to gauge the pulse of the competitors.

The delegates also discussed and approved a change in the requirements for entry into the championships. Essentially, any placement in a three point or greater stake will qualify for the two gun dog stakes, and any placement in a two point or greater all age stake will qualify a dog. A formal request for change from the Board is attached from the Field Trial Executive Secretary (See attachment)

After many years Mike Aldrich has decided to step down from the Field Trial Chair position. Mike and I have shared this position for a number of years and Mike was the long time chair before I came on board. Mike's dedication to this club is hard to match, and his guidance and council to me has been invaluable. While he won't be the co-chair next year, Mike will still be around for advice if needed and will be a stake manager. As a result of Mike leaving, Peter Wilkin, who acted as a tri-chair member in 2015 will move to a co-chair position along with Phil Mathiowetz for 2016.

Our future goals for the committee include helping Peter get up to speed with the committee, securing a cook for this year, and beginning the process to get judges committed and approved. We will be working on a proposed budget, and should have a more detailed report for the June Board meeting.

Attachment A:

Board Approval is requested for the following:

1. Add a third judge for all stakes to eliminate the Field Trial Marshal unless needed because of judge inability to complete assignment for any reason.
2. The NFT EC requests the approval of the change in qualifications for the National Open Championship, National Championship, National Gun Dog Championship & National Amateur Championship, presented to and approved by the NFT Delegates and the Executive Committee. (see Below and on Pg 1, 2 & 10 of the 2016 NFT Running Rules attached)

Qualifications for National Championship Stakes

- The German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America will sponsor and hold the annual National ~~Open All Age~~ Championship, National Gun Dog Championship, National Amateur Championship, and National Futurity for German Shorthaired Pointers.
- DNA (AKC or AF) numbers are required upon entry.

National ~~Open All Age~~ Championship (change in title to correspond with AKC to avoid confusing AKC)

- The National Championship (~~run as Open All Age~~) is open to any German Shorthaired Pointer six months of age or older that has placed ~~first, second or third~~ in a two (2) point or greater All Age stake in the United States or Canada; or is currently a Field Champion ~~or Amateur Field Champion~~ of record in the United States or Canada, but not solely an Amateur Field Champion in the United States or Canada. Placements in derby stakes will not qualify.
- All placements must be obtained annually between the closing of the entries for the previous German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America National Championship and the closing of the entries for the current year's German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America National Championship.
- The qualifying trial, location, and dates must be listed on the space provided on the entry form.

National Gun Dog Championship

- The National Gun Dog Championship is open to any German Shorthaired Pointer six months of age or older that has placed ~~first (1), second (2), or third (3)~~ in a three (3) point or greater ~~Amateur or Amateur Limited, or Open or Open Limited Gun Dog stake first in a four (4) point or greater Open or Open Limited Gun Dog stake; first or second in a five (5) point or greater Open or Open Limited Gun Dog stake~~ in the United States or Canada or is currently a Field Champion ~~or Amateur Field Champion~~ of record in the United States or Canada, but not solely an Amateur Field Champion in the United States or Canada. Placements in derby stakes will not qualify.
- All placements must be obtained annually between the closing of the entries for the previous German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America National Championship and the closing of the entries for the current year's German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America National Championship.
- The qualifying trial, location, and dates must be listed on the space provided on the entry form.

National Amateur Championship

- The National Amateur Championship is open to any German Shorthaired Pointer six months of age or older that has placed ~~first (1), second (2) or third (3)~~ in a three (3) point or greater ~~Amateur or Amateur Limited, or Open or Open Limited Gun Dog stake first in a four point or greater Open Gun Dog, Amateur Gun Dog, or All Age stake; first or second in a five (5) point Open Gun Dog, Amateur Gun Dog, or All Age stake~~, or is currently a Field Champion or Amateur Field Champion of record in the United States or Canada. Placements in derby stakes will not qualify.

- All placements must be obtained annually between the closing of the entries for the previous German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America National Championship and the closing of the entries for the current year's German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America National Championship.
- Dogs must be amateur owned and if co-owned the co-owner must be an amateur. The handler of each dog shall, in the opinion of the National Field Trial Executive Committee, meet the definition of an Amateur Handler for Point Breed Field Trials that is contained in the AKC Field Trail Rules and Standard Procedures.
- The qualifying trial, location, and dates must be listed on the space provided on the entry form.

Attachment B: 2016 NFT Running Rules (BOD members received this in their email)

Economic Impact Study submitted by Sharon Heinemann

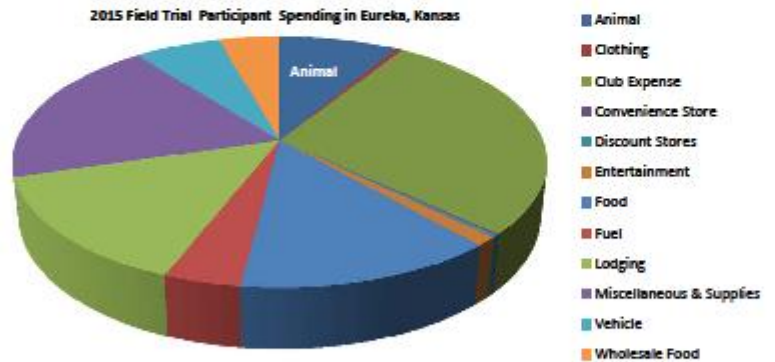
Kansas Outdoor Tourism

Economic Impact of the 27th Annual Eureka, Kansas Field Trials (2015)

Animal	\$11,656.99	Horse & Dog - Feed, Veterinary Supplies, Veterinary Services, Horse Shoeing, Hay, Tack
Clothing	\$642.46	
Club Expense	\$38,340.50	Grounds' fees, Sponsored Dinners, Judges' Expenses (Lodging, Meals, Fuel), Birds
Convenience Store	\$232.53	Ice, Soft Drinks, Candy, etc. (No grocery items)
Discount Stores	\$437.78	
Entertainment	\$1,548.70	Includes liquor stores
Food	\$18,523.91	Restaurants, Fast Food, Catering and Groceries
Fuel	\$5,487.91	Gasoline, Diesel and Propane
Lodging	\$19,729.77	Motels, Cabins, Camping Fees
Miscellaneous & Supplies	\$26,220.16	ATM Charges, Postage, Gift Items, Ammunition, Tools, Hardware
Vehicle	\$8,480.26	Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance, Tires
Wholesale Food	\$6,000.00	
Total	\$137,300.97	
		Total value of dollars spent after circulating in Eureka (4 times) \$549,203.88

Other Kansas towns benefitting from Field Trials

Andover	\$1,617.27
Augusta	\$3,005.16
Beaumont	\$738.02
Benton	\$240.00
Burden	\$83.00
Chanute	\$94.03
Derby	\$33.00
Edwardsville	\$80.00
El Dorado	\$11,784.25
Emporia	\$314.19
Eureka	\$137,300.97
Fredonia	\$60.00
Gardner	\$44.07
Lebo	\$139.51
Leon	\$100.00
Manhattan	\$284.00
Marysville	\$150.00
Olathe	\$15.00
Ottawa	\$60.00
Pittsburg	\$81.12
Severy	\$1,769.26
Topeka	\$20.00
Wakeeney	\$95.81
Wichita	\$12,236.32
Winfield	\$76.00
Yates Center	\$69.50
Total	\$170,490.48



Over 275 participants attended from 35 states and 2 Canadian provinces.
Total value of dollars spent in Kansas after circulating (4 times) **\$681,961.92**

NFT Futurity Report (Terry Bomer/liaison-Gene Moseley)

Field Futurity Event

Prepared By: Terry Bomer

Date: January 1, 2016

1. Summary: The Futurity field event is run each fall in conjunction with the GSPCA National Field Trials. Owners and co-owners (if applicable) must be members of the GSPCA. The National Field Trial committee manages the Futurity field event. They select judges, marshals and bird planters, set the date, entry fee, course and running time, produce and distribute premiums, receive entries and fees and draw the running order. The entry fee is established yearly and is used to pay all direct and indirect expenses of the Futurity program and event. The Futurity field event is a thirty minute stake judged for consistency and future potential as either an All Age or Gun Dog. Dogs must find and point birds on course. A blank cartridge is fired but steadiness to wing and shot is not required. The Futurity field event is not a retrieving stake. The Futurity Prize Money is calculated as follows: Futurity purse is created from the nomination and re-nomination fees and any penalties paid plus \$10.00 from each Futurity entry. The purse is divided 40/30/20/10 to the four placements with 60% to the owner and 40% to the breeder. The Futurity Manager receives and processes all Field Futurity Litter Nominations and re-nomination of puppies. The Futurity Manager keeps an excel spreadsheet on each year's futurity and calculates the payout for the breeder and the owner & the club Treasurer also calculates and writes the checks for the Futurity payout.

2. Changes: .None at this time.

3. Financial Summary:

Futurity 51 run in October 2014: 50 litters nominated with 304 dogs eligible for re-nomination. The litters nominated brought in \$1860.00 in litter nomination fees. 79 puppies out of the 304 eligible puppies (26%) eligible puppies have been re-nominated for the 51st Futurity that ran in October of 2014. The amount of re-nomination fees are \$2,120.00. The total amount of payout (before the additional \$10.00 per entry) would be \$4,080.00.

Futurity 52 run in October 2015: 58 litters were nominated with 356 dogs eligible for re-nomination. The litters nominated brought in \$2,510.00 in litter nomination fees. There were 103 puppies that paid re-nomination fees for a total of \$2,965.00. Only 29% of eligible puppies were re-nominated. The payout including the \$10.00 per entry was as follows: 1st Place Owner \$1,498.80, Breeder \$999.20, 2nd Place Owner \$1124.10, Breeder 749.40, 3rd Place Owner 749.40, Breeder 499.60, 4th place Owner 374.70, Breeder 249.80. The total amount of the Futurity 52 payout was \$6,245.00.

Futurity 53 to be held in October 2016: There was 58 litters nominated with 356 dogs eligible for re-nomination. The litters nominated brought in \$1,925.00 in litter nomination fees. There are currently 30 puppies that have been re-nominated for a total of \$465.00. Only 9% of eligible puppies have been re-nominated.

Futurity 54 to be held in October 2017: There are currently 8 litters nominated with 52 dogs eligible for re-nomination. The litter nomination fees paid are \$240.00.

Planned Budget for Future: I do not have a budget for the Futurity Manager's position. The cost of managing and running the event is under the National Field Trial Executive Committee's budget. That being said I do not need a budget as the changes to email have eliminated any costs associated with the Futurity Manager's work.

4. Committee Needs: None

5. Action Items for Board consideration: The new webpage does make it easier to find the Field Futurity Forms. However all of the past historical data for the National Field Trial has been lost or not transferred to the new website. This is very important information to breeders and the prior winners' and owners' should be recognized on our website.

PERFORMANCE EVENTS

Agility Report (Jeri Fishack/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

NSS Agility Trial will not take place due to the date changes. We may offer 1 day of all breed tacked on to another club's trial and one evening of GSPs only. If we do this, it will take place during breed and obedience. It's all we can do. We are waiting on committee approval.

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

2016 NATIONAL SPECIALTY SHOW

There will be two days of Obedience and Rally at the 2016 NSS. Wednesday, May 25 will be the supported trials and Thursday, May 26 will be the national specialty trials. Karin Stiefel has kindly agreed to co-chair the trials with me. The Harrisburg Show site has only one ring for obedience and rally, so I anticipate long days. On Wednesday, the day will kick off with Rally, followed by Obedience. On Thursday, the day will start with Obedience, followed by Rally. Judges will be Marilou McCloskey from NJ and Jean Nocilly from Delaware. Both judges will

judge each day. We are offering all regular Obedience and Rally classes, the four Optional Titling classes and Veterans Obedience.

NEW AKC OBEDIENCE CLASSES

As of December 1, 2015 there is a Preferred level track in Obedience. This change consolidated the three "pre" classes. Just as in the Regular track, dogs must qualify three times under two different judges to earn a title. Requirements are slightly different: jump heights are lower and there are no stays at the Open level. This year, we will NOT be offering the Preferred classes.

JUNIORS

As some may know, I started training my first dog in Obedience when I was 13. I fell in love with the sport and I would like to encourage Juniors to participate in Obedience and Rally. I would like to start by offering prizes for Juniors at every NSS. I believe we have at times offered a prize for Highest Scoring Junior, but I am not sure we have consistently recognized them. Junior prizes could be pledged just as other obedience prizes are.

This year, I would suggest that a prize, such as a nice leash, be offered to any Junior qualifying in Obedience or Rally. Maybe I also suggest a rosette for Highest Scoring Junior in the Regular Classes (Trial).

Happy New Year to everyone!

Eleanor Campbell-Swank

Versatility Report (David Nauer/liaison-Liz Jennings)

Prepared By: David Nauer

Date: 20 Dec 2015

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

Versatility Committee activities – this year:

- a. Continued awards of new applications with certificates and pins
- b. Continued awards for VCA and VCX at the NSS – this year with a new acrylic trophy
- c. Formed a review committee to recommend revisions to the current rules after 10 years – those recommendations were sent to the board in November for review at the next board meeting

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

- a. New acrylic trophy is bigger and easier to read – this was mandated when the prior company that had supplied the trophies back to 1998 went out of business
- b. Committee recommendations for significant changes to the program

Result of Changes:

- a. Better Trophies
- b. Hopefully an expanded and revised program refresh after a decade of operating under the revised rules proposed in 2005.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

Board reads and approves recommendations from the review committee – David Nauer requests 30 minutes of board time to discuss the changes at the next board meeting

3. Financial Summary:

Past Year Acrylic trophies were purchased and bought

Current Year Same, but a new form was required with the new trophy company

Planned Budget for Future

- a. Continuance of trophy awards at the NSS
- b. In the future more pins will be needed – but our supply should last 3-5 years.

If there is a loss or decline in revenue please provide reasons.

Not applicable

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

Review of Versatility Committee recommendations

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

I would like to present and discuss the recommendations of the Versatility Rules committee at the next board meeting – recommend at least 30 minutes be allocated – if there are anticipated to be a lot of questions, perhaps more time would be needed.

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

2015 FIELD TRIAL DATE COORDINATOR REPORT AS OF December 17, 2015

To summarize 2015, 123 field trials were approved: 91 Horseback, 31 Walking, and 1 Water Test. Of the 123 approved trials, 13 were cancelled leaving 110 actual completed trials. Two of the 110 completed field trials were regional trials - North Central and South East; two of the trials were nationals - National Amateur Gun Dog and the National Championships and 12 of the trials were NGSPA dual sanctioned trials.

Here's a comparison of 2012 & 2013 & 2014 & 2015:

	App	HB	Wlk	WT	Cncl	Comp	Reg	Ntl	NGSPA
2012	128	94	34		12	116	2	2	5
2013	129	94	35		16	113	2	2	7

2014	123	91	31	1	13	110	2	2	11
2015	123	91	31	1	13	110	2	2	12

Almost all applications are received by internet files and after verifying the dates and checking club compliance, I am able to electronically sign the documents and e-mail to AKC. The signed documents are then e-mailed back to the applying club.

A complete listing of the 2015 field trial date approval log is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Erbe
Field Trial Date Coordinator

GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB OF AMERICA

APPROVED FIELD TRIAL ON/LS									
WEEK	CLUB	YEAR	2014 Dates	DAYS	LOCATION	TYPE	RECEIVED	To AKC	
1	Gulf Coast GSPC	2015	Jan 3 - 4	2	West Point, TX		Walking	12/15/14	12/20/14
2	GSPC of Atlanta	2015	Jan 8 - 11	4	Jackson, GA	Horseback		8/11/14	10/30/14
2	Florida Panhandle GSPC	2015	Jan 9 - 11	3	Milton, FL		Walking	11/12/14	11/26/14
3	GSPC of North Carolina	2015	Jan 15 - 16	2	Cheraw, SC	Horseback		8/5/14	8/25/14
3	Long Star GSPC	2015	Jan 15 - 18	4	Ahmed, TX	Horseback		11/2/14	11/2/14
4	Southern Arizona GSPC (Region 2)	2015	Jan 20 - 23	4	Scottsdale, AZ	Horseback		8/15/14	9/16/14
4	Long Star GSPC (Week)	2015	Jan 21 - 28	6	Andover, OK	Horseback		11/2/14	11/2/14
4	Central Florida GSPC	2015	Jan 23 - 25	3	Osaka, FL		Walking	11/17/14	11/26/14
4	GSPC of San Antonio	2015	Jan 24 - 25	2	Cibola, TX		Walking	8/20/14	8/25/14
4	Southern Arizona GSPC	2015	Jan 24 - 26	3	Scottsdale, AZ	Horseback		8/19/14	8/25/14
5	Dorian GSPC	2015	Jan 30 - Feb 1	3	Scottsdale, AZ	Horseback		8/16/14	9/3/14
5	Gateway GSPC	2015	Jan 31 - Feb 1	2	Williamsburg, MO		Walking	12/15/14	12/15/14
5	GSPC of Santa Clara Valley	2015	Jan 31 - Feb 1	2	Firebaugh, CA	Horseback		10/21/14	10/28/14
6	GSPC of San Antonio	2015	Feb 4 - 6	3	Freer, TX	Horseback		12/19/14	12/20/14
6	GSPCA SE Classic (NF GSPC)	2015	Feb 5 - 8	4	Bunnell, FL	Horseback		1/9/15	1/12/15
6	GSPC of California	2015	Feb 6 - 7	2	Zamorra, CA		Walking	7/23/14	10/9/14
6	Gulf Coast GSPC	2015	Feb 7 - 8	2	Freer, TX	Horseback		12/10/14	12/20/14
6	North Florida GSPC	2015	Feb 7 - 8	2	Bunnell, FL	Horseback		1/9/15	1/12/15
6	GSPC of North Sacramento Valley	2015	Feb 8 - 9	2	Knight's Landing, CA		Walking	8/3/14	8/3/14
7	Gulf Coast GSPC (Region 2)	2015	Feb 9 - 15	7	Freer, TX	Horseback		12/10/14	12/20/14
7	GSPC of South Georgia	2015	Feb 13 - 15	3	Arabi, GA	Horseback		9/28/14	12/23/14
7	Heart of America GSPC	2015	Feb 14 - 15	2	Osborn, MO		Walking	1/9/15	1/12/15
8	GSPC of Oklahoma	2015	Feb 21 - 22	2	Perma City, OK		Walking	1/9/15	1/14/15
9	GSPC of North Carolina	2015	Feb 27 - Mar 1	3	Hollister, NC	Horseback		8/5/14	8/11/14
9	Sunflower GSPC	2015	Feb 28 - Mar 1	3	Honolulu, HI		Walking	4/2/15	4/12/15
10	Florida Panhandle GSPC	2015	Mar 6 - 8	3	Milton, FL		Walking	2/6/15	2/8/15
10	GSPC of Atlanta	2015	Mar 6 - 8	3	Jackson, GA	Horseback		12/11/14	12/12/14
10	GSPC of Central Virginia	2015	Mar 6 - 8	3	Summerside, VA	Horseback		2/4/15	2/5/15
10	GSPC of Las Cruces	2015	Mar 6 - 8	3	Las Cruces, NM	Horseback		1/19/15	1/21/15
10	San Jacinto GSPC	2015	Mar 6 - 8	3	McKinney, CA	Horseback		2/19/15	2/19/15
10	GSPC of Lincoln	2015	Mar 7 - 8	2	Lincoln, NE		Walking	11/26/14	11/28/14
11	Gateway GSPC	2015	Mar 12 - 14	3	Pinckneyville, IL	Horseback		1/14/14	1/20/14
11	GSPC of California	2015	Mar 13 - 15	3	Jamaalton, CA	Horseback		1/28/15	1/29/15
11	GSPC of Oklahoma	2015	Mar 13 - 15	3	Perma City, OK	Horseback		2/4/15	2/5/15
11	Sunflower GSPC	2015	Mar 13 - 15	3	Unionville, OK	Horseback		2/4/15	2/5/15
11	Sunflower GSPC	2015	Mar 20 - 22	3	Massachusetts, MA	Horseback		4/2/15	4/12/15
12	GSPC of Central Virginia	2015	Mar 20 - 22	3	Summerside, VA	Horseback		3/12/15	3/12/15
12	Bluegrass GSPC (W. Bay 10)	2015	Mar 20 - 23	4	Raymond, NC	Horseback		1/21/15	1/29/15
12	North Florida GSPC	2015	Mar 21 - 22	2	Bunnell, FL	Horseback		3/4/15	3/4/15
12	Heart of America GSPC	2015	Mar 27 - 29	3	Osborn, MO	Horseback		12/20/14	12/28/14
14	Bluegrass GSPC (Great Plains)	2015	Mar 31 - Apr 3	4	Galena, NE	Horseback		1/21/15	1/29/15
11	Mason Dixon GSPC	2015	Apr 3 - 5	3	Wilesville, PA	Horseback		1/15/15	1/15/15
14	Unkleya GSPC	2015	Apr 4 - 5	2	Winnem, OH		Walking	1/13/15	1/14/15
14	GSPC of Lincoln	2015	Apr 4 - 5	2	Raymond, NE	Horseback		1/2/15	1/3/15
11	Inland Empire GSPC	2015	Apr 4 - 5	2	Springer, WA	Horseback		1/14/15	1/23/15
15	Eastern GSPC (Region 2)	2015	Apr 9 - 16	8	Martinez, NJ	Horseback		00/00/00	00/00/00
15	GSPC of Colorado	2015	Apr 10 - 12	3	Linden, CO	Horseback		1/19/15	1/14/15
15	GSPC of Idaho	2015	Apr 10 - 12	3	Payette, ID	Horseback		1/2/15	1/5/15
15	For Unkleya GSPC	2015	Apr 11 - 12	2	Wilmington, IL	Horseback		9/15/14	00/00/00
15	GSPC of Central Iowa	2015	Apr 11 - 12	2	Columbia, IA	Horseback		8/25/14	8/25/14
15	GSPC of Northern Sacramento Valley	2015	Apr 11 - 12	2	Fia Vista, CA		Walking	1/9/15	1/12/15
15	GSPC of Washington	2015	Apr 11 - 12	2	Sunnyside, WA	Horseback		2/8/15	2/17/15
15	GSPCA MAGDC	2015	Apr 11 - 13	3	Bloomington, Ohio		Walking	1/3/15	1/3/15
15	GSPC of Idaho (Region 2)	2015	Apr 13 - 19	7	Payette, ID	Horseback		1/20/15	1/20/15
16	GSPC of Eastern Iowa (W. Hawks)	2015	Apr 17 - 19	3	Shelburne, IA	Horseback		1/13/15	1/13/15
16	Ruckaya GSPC	2015	Apr 18 - 19	2	Dresden, OH	Horseback		2/24/15	2/23/15
16	Sunflower GSPC	2015	Apr 18 - 19	2	Howard, KS		Walking	2/27/15	3/2/15
16	GSPC of Ohio (Ohio County)	2015	Apr 20 - 23	4	Dresden, OH	Horseback		1/24/15	1/20/15
16	Florida GSPC of Oklahoma (Buck 10)	2015	Apr 20 - 27	8	Payette, ID	Horseback		2/23/15	3/23/15
17	GSPC of Ohio	2015	Apr 24 - 26	3	Dresden, OH	Horseback		1/21/15	1/29/15
17	For Unkleya GSPC	2015	Apr 25 - 26	2	Wilmington, IL		Walking	9/15/14	00/00/00
17	GSPC of Oregon	2015	Apr 25 - 26	2	Madras, OR	Horseback		3/11/15	3/12/15
18	GSPC of Reno	2015	May 1 - 3	3	Reno, NV	Horseback		2/12/15	2/13/15

16	Lansing GSPC	2015	May 1 - 3	3	Irish, MI	Horseback		3/21/15	3/23/15
16	GSPC of Minnesota	2015	May 2 - 3	2	Milaca, MN		Walking	3/27/15	3/27/15
19	GSPC of Nebraska	2015	May 7 - 9	3	Raymond, NE	Horseback		12/21/14	12/23/14
19	GSPC of Michigan	2015	May 9 - 10	2	Irish, MI	Horseback		2/4/15	2/5/15
19	GSPCA North Central Regional	2015	May 10 - 15	6	Raymond, NE	Horseback		12/21/14	12/23/14
20	Four Lakes GSPC	2015	May 15 - 17	3	Portage, WI	Horseback		4/6/15	4/6/15
20	GSPC of Michigan	2015	May 17	1	Highland, MI		Walking	4/4/15	2/5/15
21	Desert GSPC	2015	May 22 - 23	2	Parks, AZ		Walking	2/3/15	2/5/15
21	Desert GSPC	2015	May 24 - 25	2	Parks, AZ		Walking	2/3/15	2/5/15
22	GSPC of Oregon	2015	May 30 - 31	2	Portland, OR		Walking	00/00/00	00/00/00
22	GSPC of Tenn	2015	May 30 - 31	2	Reno, NV		Walking	2/12/15	2/13/15
23	Hudson Valley GSPC	2015	June 5 - 7	3	East Windsor, CT	Horseback		1/4/15	1/13/15
23	GSPC of Oregon	2015	Aug 2	1	North Palmes, OR			6/13/15	6/18/15
34	GSPC of Nebraska	2015	Aug 21 - 23	3	Raymond, NE	Horseback		12/21/14	12/23/14
35	GSPC of Nevada	2015	Aug 29 - 30	2	Raymond, NE	Horseback		4/6/15	4/7/15
38	GSPC of Michigan	2015	Sept 4 - 5	2	Irish, MI	Horseback		2/4/15	2/5/15
38	Iron Carbons GSPC	2015	Sept 5 - 6	2	Wilmington, IL		Walking	9/9/14	9/9/14
38	GSPC of Central Iowa	2015	Sept 5 - 6	2	Columbia, IA	Horseback		8/22/14	8/22/14
38	GSPC of Oregon	2015	Sept 6 - 7	2	Tygh Valley, OR	Horseback		3/11/15	3/12/15
37	Desert GSPC	2015	Sept 11 - 13	3	Greer, AZ	Horseback		8/25/15	8/25/15
38	GSPC of Nebraska	2015	Sept 17 - 21	5	Raymond, NE	Horseback		12/21/14	12/23/14
38	Frontier GSPC of Cheyenne Region of	2015	Sept 24 - 30	6	Cheyenne, WY	Horseback		8/9/15	8/14/15
38	Four Lakes GSPC	2015	Sept 25 - 27	3	Portage, WI	Horseback		4/1/15	4/1/15
38	GSPC of Ohio	2015	Sept 25 - 27	3	Park, PA	Horseback		7/1/14	7/9/15
38	Heart of America GSPC	2015	Sept 25 - 27	3	Yates Center, KS	Horseback		5/29/15	6/23/15
38	Fort Des Moines GSPC	2015	Sept 26 - 27	2	Wilmington, IL	Horseback		8/9/14	8/9/14
38	Inland Empire GSPC	2015	Sept 26 - 27	2	Riverdale, WA	Horseback		4/27/15	4/17/15
40	Frontier GSPC of Cheyenne Region of	2015	Oct 1 - 7	7	Cheyenne, WY	Horseback		8/9/15	8/14/15
40	Eastern GSPC	2015	Oct 1 - 4	4	Madford, NJ	Horseback		00/00/00	00/00/00
40	GSPC of Colorado	2015	Oct 2 - 4	3	Lindon, CO	Horseback		8/4/15	8/8/15
40	GSPC of Oklahoma	2015	Oct 2 - 4	2	Yates Center, KS	Horseback		8/9/15	8/14/15
40	Duckeye GSPC	2015	Oct 3 - 4	2	Ureiden, OH	Horseback		3/31/15	4/1/15
40	Antony GSPC	2015	Oct 9 - 11	3	Gravespring, MO	Horseback		7/20/15	7/29/15
41	Sunflower GSPC	2015	Oct 9 - 11	2	Eureka, KS	Horseback		1/7/15	1/12/15
41	Lansing GSPC	2015	Oct 12 - 14	3	Irish, MI	Horseback		3/21/15	3/23/15
42	GSPCA NPT Championship	2015	Oct 12 - Nov 2	21	Eureka, KS	Horseback		6/8/15	6/10/15
44	GSPC of North Carolina	2015	Oct 30 - Nov 1	3	Woodleaf, NC	Horseback		8/4/15	8/15/15
44	Mayflower GSPC	2015	Oct 30 - Nov 1	3	Windsor, CT	Horseback		12/15/14	12/23/14
44	GSPC of Oklahoma	2015	Oct 31 - Nov 1	2	Ponca City, OK		Walking	8/18/15	9/18/15
44	GSPC of Reno	2015	Oct 31 - Nov 1	2	Reno, NV		Walking	8/11/15	8/14/15
45	GSPC of Central Iowa	2015	Nov 6 - 8	3	Columbia, IA	Horseback		6/2/15	6/3/15
45	Nutmeg GSPC	2015	Nov 6 - 8	3	East Windsor, CT	Horseback		8/11/15	9/11/15
45	GSPC of South Georgia	2015	Nov 7 - 8	2	Candela, GA		Walking	8/15/15	8/18/15
45	Lone Star GSPC	2015	Nov 7 - 8	2	Arlord, TX	Horseback		6/2/15	6/3/15
45	High Sierra GSPC	2015	Nov 7 - 11	5	Jamestown, CA	Horseback		8/30/15	8/15/15
45	GSPC of Atlanta	2015	Nov 12 - 15	4	Jackson, GA	Horseback		7/15/15	7/19/15
45	Eastern GSPC	2015	Nov 13 - 15	3	Madford, NJ		Walking	00/00/00	00/00/00
46	GSPC of Las Cruces	2015	Nov 15 - 15	3	Las Cruces, NM	Horseback		10/28/15	10/28/15
46	Hudson Valley GSPC	2015	Nov 14 - 16	3	East Windsor, CT	Horseback		4/4/15	4/8/15
46	Gulf Coast GSPC	2015	Nov 14 - 16	2	Lynn, TX	Horseback		9/18/15	9/22/15
47	GSPC of Middle Tennessee	2015	Nov 20 - 22	3	Javanna, TN	Horseback		10/20/15	10/21/15
47	Masson Urban GSPC	2015	Nov 20 - 22	3	Roseville, PA	Horseback		5/24/15	5/27/15
47	Northern Arizona GSPC	2015	Nov 20 - 22	3	Phoenix, AZ	Horseback		7/8/15	7/9/15
49	Diamond State GSPC Association	2015	Dec 5 - 6	2	Petersburg, DE		Walking	9/29/18	10/2/15
49	Heart of America GSPC	2015	Dec 5 - 6	2	Osborn, MO	Horseback		11/15/15	11/15/15
49	GSPC of North Carolina	2015	Dec 4 - 6	3	Sutherland, VA	Horseback		8/4/15	8/15/15
49	GSPC of San Antonio	2015	Dec 4 - 6	3	Hudson, TX	Horseback		8/18/15	8/19/15
49	GSPC of California	2015	Dec 5 - 6	2	Zamora, CA		Walking	4/1/15	4/2/15
49	GSPC of South Georgia	2015	Dec 5 - 7	3	Arabi, GA	Horseback		8/15/15	8/18/15
50	Central Florida GSPC	2015	Dec 11 - 13	3	Orlando, FL		Walking	4/23/15	4/17/15

COMMITTEES

Annual Awards Report (Michael McCracken/liaison-Gene Moseley)

Prepared By: Gene Moseley Jr. /Liaison Report

Date: 01-5-16

1. Annual Awards

2. Changes in Annual Award:

Price increases from 2011

7 x 9 GSPCA Plaques 2010/\$31.50 2011/\$33.00 2013 /\$34.00

9 x 12 GSPCA Plaques 2010/\$44.50 2011/\$46.00 2023/\$47.00

No price increase at this time.

3. Financial Summary:

Annual Awards:

Year:	2013	2014	2015
	54/7x9	39/7x9	
	7 /9x12		4/ 9x12
	Apx \$2307	Apx \$1668	

Plus shipping and corrections

Dual Champion Awards:

Molding/3DC	6DC
Apx \$1275	Apx \$1153

4. Committee Needs please list in order of importance:

None at this time

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None at this time

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

Prepared By: Patte Titus

Date: 31 December 2015

1. **Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:** Respond to breed related inquiries/questions generated from the GSPCA, Inc. Website and/or Shorthair Journal. Direct individuals to appropriate sources in their local area for information that may be able help with basic training issues or to Local GSP Clubs to meet other GSP owners and learn about events/activities in the area.

Per the new business action item, June 2015 BOD meeting. While in Orlando I spoke with MariBeth

O'Neil about the issue. I am to follow up with her in 2016 when things have settled down. To my knowledge there is no code for either of these colors on the AKC form to register a GSP pup.

2. **Indicate changes made to improve the Event/Activity from the previous six months or year (if any):** None at this time

3. **Financial Summary:** N/A

4. **Committee Needs (please list in order of importance):** N/A

5. **Action Items for Board consideration:**

Does the Board have information that GSP pups have been registered with either lemon or gray coats?

OR

Does the Board want me to find out if there are any GSP pups that are being registered with either lemon or gray coat colors?

Respectfully Submitted,

Patte Titus, Chair
Breed Education

Meet The Breed/Orlando

Prepared By: Patte Titus Date: 31 December 2015

1. **Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:** Each year Parent Clubs are contacted to ascertain if they wish to participate in Meet The Breed activity held in conjunction with the

AKC/Eukanuba National Championships. This gives individuals interested in a breed or multiple breeds to learn more about them by visiting the booths, seeing the dogs and talking with the Parent Club representatives about the breed. Without a doubt the best year for participation and representation of the Breed at the booth by owners and their dogs.

- 2. Indicate changes made to improve the Event/Activity from the previous six months or year (if any):** Email blast to GSPCA members to participate with their dogs resulted in a great turnout of dogs both days of the event. Breed information was made available via the documents developed the previous year. Also available was information to the GSPCA, Inc. website and one page of recipes for game birds. Participant Dick Hodge provided his laptop with a slide show of the GSP and others engaged in various activities of the breed.

Result of Changes: More traffic to the booth and questions about the Breed.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes: None at this time

3. Financial Summary:

Past Year: \$ 961.82

Current Year: \$1135.64

Planned Budget for Future: \$1200 - \$1500

If there is a loss or decline in revenue please provide reasons. Not an event that produces revenue.

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Patte Titus
MTB Coordinator

Breeder Referral Report (Melissa Campbell/liaison-Diane Prohaska)

Prepared By: Melissa Campbell

Date: 1/6/16

1. **Provide a Brief Summary of the Event or Activity:** Continue to answer email regarding breeder/puppy inquiries. Current practice has been to refer any interested party to the home state via cut/past directly from website. On average Breeder Referral receives 30-35 inquiries per month with many of those inquiries having follow up questions.
2. **Indicate changes made to improve the Event or Activity from the previous six months or year (if any):**
 - Board approved recommend changes for Breeder Referral
 - Email has been sent to membership outlining Breeder Referral changes
 - Breeder Referral listing are being renewed and updated for website/journal
 - Response has been positive and minimal glitches with electronic signatures and form submissions

Result of Changes: To date 5 new Breeder listings have received. Additionally, multiple inquiries have been received on how to sign up for Breeder Referral.

3. Financial Summary:

Planned Budget for Future: NA

4. Committee Needs please list in order of importance: NA

5. Action Items for Board consideration: NA

Communications Report (Liz Jennings)

Prepared By: Liz Jennings, BOD Liaison

Date: 01 05 16

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

The Communications committee held its first teleconference on 12/30/15. The purpose was to formally introduce the three GSPCA people who have responsibility for media communications within the GSPCA – Web Site (Missy Neal), Shorthair Journal (Patty Busso) and Yearbook (Deb Broad).

Agenda items included: (1) use of the Drop Box to exchange large files required of Web Site, Journal & Yearbook; (2) Coordination of GSPCA branding across the web site, Journal and Yearbook; and (3) sharing the GSPCA & internet resources available to make each of the jobs, easier.

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

Drop Box – the discussion included the use of the drop box as a repository of GSPCA club information, to form a historical link to past efforts for the Web Site, SJ, and Yearbook. The need to edit files and to restrict access within the Drop Box subfolders. It is the best way, now to handle the very large MB files required by the Web Site, SJ & Yearbook.

Branding – goal of coordinating the color palette between the SJ, Web Site & Yearbook as feasible as well as National Specialty & National FT catalogs;

GSPCA & Internet Resources – discussed ways of marketing the yearbook , including ads in the SJ and advertising on Social Media and email blasts. Missy can help coordinate those marketing venues for the Yearbook and Patty offered to work with Deb to use posting on Social Media to increase awareness of what the yearbook is. There appears to be a need for an article in the SJ to refresh everyone’s memory about what the YB is and why it is important and FUN to own .

Result of Changes:

- Introduced the members who deal with internet and hard copy media for GSPCA
- Reviewed the goals of branding & creating a unified look among GSPCA publications
- Discussed ways to increase awareness & revenues for the Yearbook and to increase communications to help each other and not have to reinvent the wheel where we already have templates, colors, and/or design mediums in place.
- Missy (who owns the GSPCA social media site) will give Patty Busso administrative privileges, with a goal of marketing the SJ & Yearbook here

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

- Meet by teleconference twice a year
- Deb will send Patty Busso and Missy Neal samples of the Yearbook
- Patty will send Deb the Pantone Matching System (PMS) colors in use for the Web Site and SJ with a goal to their eventual incorporation into the Yearbook (as practicable)

3. Financial Summary: N/A

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

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

- **Need to know who on the BOD is in charge of administering the GSPCA Drop Box**
 - **Ask to set up Drop Box so that Web, SJ and Yearbook can exchange files**
 - **Ask permission to edit files**
 - **How do we provide for 'security of material' on Drop Box**

Database Report (vacant/liaison-Gene Moseley)

Gene Moseley states that there has been no activity to report.

Hall Of Fame Nominations- Show Dogs (Inge Clody/liaison-Debbie King)

Prepared By: Inge Clody via Debbie King

Date: Dec 16, 2015

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

There's nothing to report.

Nominations for the HOF (Show) have been sent to Lynn.

2. Action Items for Board consideration:

I would like the board to find an Obedience HOF chairman. I believe the obedience HOF should be handled by someone familiar with obedience. I made this request at the last meeting.

The requirements are as follows

- a. Dog Must Have Utility Title: List date dog received Utility Title

AND

- b. Must have five (5) High in Trials (List Dates and shows dog was awarded High in Trial)

OR

- c. Be an Obedience Trial Champion (OTCH) date dog earned OTCH

OR

- d. Contributed substantially to the breed in promoting obedience

Two nominations were submitted:

- NSC BIS MBISS URO1 UCDX CH CAN MEX NATL INTL JU.A CH Ehrenvogel Daredevil CROM JH RAE BN TD2 OF OAP OJP VCD2 (CDX TD OA OAJ) VCA ASCA-CDX NGC GSO NAC RSO JSO CGC
- AM/CAN CH White River's Ziggy Stardust, JH, GSPCA C-ROM

Inge Clody recommends that both dogs be accepted into the GSPCA HOF.

Hall Of Fame Nominations- Field Dogs (Jerry Paddock/liaison-Debbie King)

Prepared By: Jerry Paddock via Debbie King

Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

(Per Jerry) Debbie, Pretty easy for me today, I have received no information from anyone wishing to make a HOF nomination. I did send the qualification sheet to one person and spoke on the phone and an email with another in Texas is preparing to submit. It has not come to me as of yet.

Hall Of Fame Nominations- Obedience Dogs (vacant/liaison-Debbie King)

No nominations were submitted.

Hall Of Fame Nominations- People/Life Members (vacant/liaison-Debbie King)

No nominations were submitted.

Health & Welfare Report (vacant/liaison-Renee Lara)

Health & Welfare Report

I resigned as Chair of the H & W Committee as of September 14, 2015. Here are a few outstanding items:

- Appointment of a new Chair
- Organize activities for the 2016 NSS
- Completion of an article on the different labs for health testing – Sandra Kretz was working on this
- Update H & W committee members on the GSPCA website
- Submit articles on health issues for the Journal

Karen Rooks Nauer

Addendum: AKC Health Statement

The GSPCA supports and encourages health testing to maintain the health and stamina of our breed to compete in both conformation and field events in addition to the many other AKC activities requiring a GSP with a sound body and intelligent mind. Physical and mental health is critical to a GSP being successful as a companion and competitive in any event his owner participates in. The testing recommended by the GSPCA focuses on the heart, orthopedic soundness and vision. The GSPCA encourages our members to participate in the CHIC program. The [Canine Health Information Center](#), also known as CHIC, is a centralized canine health database jointly sponsored by the AKC/Canine Health Foundation (AKC/CHF) and the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA).

Effective May 1, 2014 the **required tests** are:

Cardiac: Exam (auscultation or echo) by a Board Certified Cardiologist at the Minimum age of 24 months, with results posted to the OFA site. The age of 24 months is a change to this requirement. In addition, the exam must now be performed only by a board certified cardiologist. [Detailed Criteria \(GSPCA Article\)](#) [MORE from OFA](#)

Hip Dysplasia: OFA Evaluation at Minimum age of 24 months or PennHIP. [MORE](#)

Elbow Dysplasia: OFA Evaluation at Minimum age of 24 months. This is a new requirement based on the rising incidence of elbow dysplasia in all sporting breeds including GSPs. Previously elbow dysplasia had been an optional test. Elbow Dysplasia is a crippling hereditary disease. [MORE](#)

Eye Exam: Eye examination by a Board Certified ACVO Ophthalmologist annually until Age 6. Results registered with OFA. There is no recommended age to start as long as the eyes are open. [MORE](#)

Cone Degeneration: Optigen test results registered with the OFA. Only one subsequent generation of two CD tested dogs may be cleared by parentage. The following generation will have to be tested. [MORE](#)

Optional Tests:

Autoimmune thyroiditis: Evaluation by an OFA approved laboratory with results posted to the OFA site. It is recommended that the test be repeated every two years. [MORE](#)

Von Willebrands Disease: Clearance using the vWD Type 2 genetic test from VetGen. (Genetic Test) Results to be posted to the OFA site.

A special note about Lupoid Dermatitis (LD). In June 2013 the GSPCA Board of Directors reviewed information from a retest of dogs previously tested for LD by cheek swab. Because some of the different results obtained from the blood sample retest have not been explained and because the results of the LD research have not been published in a peer-reviewed scientific journal, the Board has taken a neutral position on this test at this time. Breeders need to consult with PennGen at the University of Pennsylvania to determine the usefulness of this test for their breeding programs. (Please see the Members Section of the GSPCA web site for more information.)

*Note – In addition to the breed specific requirements above, a CHIC requirement across all participating breeds is that the dog must be permanently identified via microchip or tattoo in order to qualify for a CHIC number.

Historian Report (Patte Titus/liaison-Christy Featherston)

Prepared By: Patte Titus

Date: 31 December 2015

- 1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:** Ongoing process to sort and catalog archived material of the Parent Club.
- 2. Indicate changes made to improve the Event/Activity from the previous six months or year (if any):** Working toward using a drop box for previously scanned materials.

Result of Changes: None at this time.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes: None at this time.

3. **Financial Summary:** N/A

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus
Historian

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

Prepared By: Patte Titus

Date: 31 December 2015

1. **Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:** Printed Illustrated Standard for the GSP was made available for sale through the GSPCA website August 2015.

Copies Sold: August - 68
September - 21
October - 11
November - 3
December - 2

Total sold: 105 @ \$10 = \$1050

Includes foreign sales to Australia, Brazil, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Of the 1000 copies, 349 Illustrated Standards were sent courtesy of the GSPCA to all AKC Judges approved for the Breed. From the 651 remaining, 25 copies were sent for the 2016 NSS Juniors packets. One box (150) was sent to Christy, JE Coordinator, 151 remained with Sue Clemons,

151 with Chairman. They are also provided in Judges Education packets for approved AKC and GSPCA Judges Education Seminars, AKC Judges Education Department, and upon request from Sweepstakes Judges for the breed and the Vizsla Club of America, Illustrated Standard Chairman.

302 copies remain with myself and Sue. It is my understanding a JE Seminar is scheduled in January that copies for that event will be sent.

2. Indicate changes made to improve the Event/Activity from the previous six months or year (if any): N/A

3. Financial Summary: Postage/Envelopes \$248.41 - May - Dec 2015

Past Year: N/A

Current Year: \$248.41

Planned Budget for Future: Considering sales drop October - December 2015 and plans to print it in segments in the 6 issues Shorthair Journal in 2016, none at this time.

If there is a loss or decline in revenue please provide reasons. Potentially, because it was made available on the website about the same time the printed version was being offered for sale.

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): Assurances that the Illustrated Standard, a stand alone document with its primary purpose to educate future judges of the breed will be published as it appears in the final printed document. And the illustrations and text found therein will not be separately or independently used in other articles to be published in Shorthair Journal. Quoting with source is a commonly accepted practice but quotes that are incomplete or out of context if done in conjunction with added commentary may create confusion or lead to the wrong conclusion of the original intent.

5. Action Item for Board consideration: Lead each segment published with the following found on the IFC of the Illustrated Standard. All rights reserved by the GSPCA, Inc.

"No part of this publication may be reproduced, transmitted or stored in a retrieval system or by electronic, mechanical, recording or otherwise, without prior written permission of the GSPCA, Inc."

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus, Chair

Judges Education Report (Christy Featherston)

Prepared By: Christy Douglas-Featherston

Date: 12/03/15

3. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

Since the last report Judges Education has provided the following seminars:

- A. Michigan Sporting Group workshop in June (Christy Douglas-Featherston)**
- B. Belton Texas Sporting Group Seminar in October (Patte Titus)**
- C. AKC Seminar Florida in December (Patte Titus)**

Future Seminars and Workshops

- A. GSPCA NSS (Christy Douglas-Featherston)**
- B. Oregon Dog Judges held in conjunction with the Rose City Cluster January 24th. (Maxine Monier and Moe Farley) have graciously agreed to present at this event.**

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

J. E. has written a series of articles for the GSPCA Journal to inform the membership of what we are teaching our upcoming judges in judge's education.

Result of Changes:

We have received emails with comments and questions regarding the articles and J. E. from members and judges, opening up the lines of communication and stimulating discussion.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes: None at this time

5. Financial Summary: defer to Dean Browning

**AKC/DJAA Advanced Sporting & Toy Breeds Institute, Orlando, FL
8-11 December 2015**

Prepared By: Patte Titus

Date: 31 December 2015

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

Organized and run by the Dog Judges Association of American in conjunction with the AKC. Four days of Judges Education Seminars and Hands On Workshops for all Sporting Breeds represented. Cost to attend Institute \$425, pre-registration required. 22 signed up for the GSP Breed Seminar. At the time of initial registration with AKC Sue Harrison indicated her plans to attend the GSP Seminar. In the course of the conversation she also indicated she knew more about the breed than anyone in the Parent Club and had an idea who the presenter would be and her plan was to correct them when they said something wrong. On the day of the seminar Ms. Harrison stated to several at the sign in desk the same comments she had made earlier. Ms. Harrison was informed that if she became disruptive to the seminar in any way she would be escorted out of the room. Upon my arrival I was made aware of the circumstances and told not to worry a DJAA representative would be in the room to escort Ms. Harrison out should the need arise. Ms. Harrison chose not to attend the GSP seminar.

This event is on a rotational basis and the Sporting breeds are not held every year. It is at the request of the AKC for Parent Clubs to participate. Since my MTB plans put me in Orlando at the same time Christy Douglas-Featherston current JE Coordinator asked if I would do the JE presentation, thus saving the Parent Club an additional expense.

We were commended on our "to the point" presentation and handout materials with multiple compliments made about the Illustrated Standard. The Hands On session was organized and run by a DJAA representative. For this session nine Shorthairs were present for the attendees to go over and place. Per the 2006 Board decision no dogs/bitches currently being campaigned were used. To help prospective judges to see an age range in the Breed there were a couple of veterans and dog/bitches less than two years old.

Evaluations of the JE Seminar and Hands On Workshop were turned into the AKC Judges Department and will be provided once all the paperwork is processed and closed out.

Respectfully submitted,

Patte Titus, Presenter
GSP JE Seminar & Hands On Workshop

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

Prepared By: Yvonne Deterding

Date: 1/5/16

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity: 2016 Juniors

- a. Ready to send out letters requesting items for Welcome Bags. Becky Feigh has been in contact with her Purina Rep for Purina Items for Juniors.
- b. Attached letter going out to all Junior and has been submitted to Journal.

Happy New Year Juniors!

We have some fun and exciting extra special events planned for the coming year and we don't want Any of you to miss out!

First of all we need to make sure that everyone is current on their GSPCA Junior Membership. This is separate from your Parents GSPCA or Family Membership. You must have your own Junior Membership through the GSPCA. It is just \$10 to join or renew, so you can go online if you need to do this.

www.GSPCA.ORG/Programs/Juniors/Membership

The GSPCA Juniors Program is for Fanciers up to age eighteen, no minimum age. Your GSPCA Junior Membership entitles you to:

- Membership qualifies the junior for GSPCA rankings and annual awards (*GSPCA counts only the activities of GSPCA Junior members in its Junior competition rankings and will consider only GSPCA Junior members for annual awards and any stipends or other assistance to be offered.*)
- Includes subscription to GSPCA *Shorthair Journal* if *Shorthair Journal* is not already being sent to the same address.
- Eligible to submit Junior pictures to GSPCA Juniors website
- Eligible to apply for Qualifier Shows stipend (see [Juniors Event Grant](#))
- Entitles Junior to all other benefits and activities associated with the GSPCA Juniors Program as they occur

Valerie and I also have a closed group on Facebook for Juniors only (and parents, of course)...this is your page to share your experiences, photos and questions. Contact Valerie at wyndam1@aol.com to be added.

2016 will be extra exciting for the Juniors at our National Specialty Show! Aside from the Welcome Bags, Seminar, Luncheon, Handling Class and Parade of Juniors we will have an Extra Special Gift for all that attend. There will also be having a Quilt Raffle, and to top it all off...We will be having a Juniors Clothing Exchange. Please start saving your gently used and new clothes for the Juniors Clothing Exchange at the 2016 NSS.

There will be more details to follow on all these exciting plans, so stay tuned for updates.

Submitted by: Valerie Nunes-Atkinson & Yvonne Hassler-Deterding

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

2016 will be extra exciting for the Juniors at our National Specialty Show! Aside from the Welcome Bags, Seminar, Luncheon, Handling Class and Parade of Juniors we will have an Extra Special Gift for all that attend. We will also be having a Quilt Raffle and to top it all off...We will be having a Juniors Clothing Exchange. Please start saving gently used and new clothing for the Juniors Clothing Exchange at the 2016 NSS.



Quilt is $\frac{3}{4}$ finished for Juniors Raffle

2. Financial Summary:

Past Year finalized

Current Year -on track

Planned Budget for Future – Quilt Raffle and Clothing exchange to help bring in more revenue to have Junior Jackets embroidered for all Juniors that attend the NSS in 2016

3. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): Area for Clothing Exchange at 2016 NSS

4. Action Items for Board consideration: nothing new – just staying on track for the year ahead.

Legislation Report (Terry Brumbaugh/liaison-Sharon Fitzpatrick)

No report was submitted.

Membership Report (Cynthia McCracken/liaison-Lynn Pettinato)

Prepared By: Cynthia McCracken Date: December 17, 2015

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

Membership Database management

New Member & Renewal Database update

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

- a) Implemented changes to member notifications to reflect the security changes seem to be increasing response to online membership renewals
Renewal notifications started October 17 @ 45, 30 and 7 days before January 1.
Grace period with expiration notifications start 45, 30, and 7 days before members are moved to the Expired classification and taken off of the Membership rolls as of March 1st. Members are receiving 6 email renewal notifications with links to the renewal form and 2 renewal notification inserts in the Shorthair Journal. With the last expiration notification, a link to the New Membership form has been created. Also, implemented an automatic link to those expired members who want to renew to the New Member form. These changes cover all member types, Juniors included.
- b) Evaluating changes made at Memberclicks effecting our membership database is ongoing. The ability to update and integrate form creation and use by both members and administrators is paramount and has been severely compromised. Reinstitution of search for membership database companies for consideration to replace Memberclicks will begin after March 1st. Consideration will be made as to cost vs benefits of changing to a new company. Missy and I will evaluate the GSPCA membership and website needs against what Memberclicks is providing today. Since they have rolled out their new system the "Classic" system (which we continue to use) has had major irritating problems during both the NFT entry season continuing through the Renewal season.
(Recommendations will be presented to the Board for approval)
- c) Memberclicks is unable to resolve the conflict of multiple user accounts. Enabling Local Club Secretaries, Local Club Officers and Parents to renew and change their information easily online so they do not have to request my assistance in logging in, renewing, or resetting their passwords.

- d) Resetting passwords is a major source of irritation so there has been a 50% increase of renewals sent in via USPS instead of using the website. This means that I must do all the data entry and with member frustration with renewal issues they are not updating their event participation.
- e) The ad hoc invoice system to better serve our Members has been well received by those who wish to change from Individual – Family membership, however, this does not interact with the membership receipts. This works well when members order additional copies of the Shorthair Journal and has been made available to the Awards Chair for those ordering additional Awards and Trophy Donations.

3. Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

- 1) Until the multiple user challenge with Memberclicks is resolved we will defer this action item.

Contact Local Member Clubs to obtain their respective membership applications so we may include them in the GSPCA Membership packets. This may assist them in building

- a) their membership rolls and help retain GSPCA members thru renewal.
- b) (Awaiting approval from the Board to proceed when multiple user conflict is resolved)

- 2) Shorthair Journal timing of Nov/Dec and Jan/Feb issue concern –

The Membership Renewal insert was not received until Late December early January (my personal copy arrived Jan 4th)

It was agreed in June 2010 Board meeting, that a membership renewal insert be placed in the Nov/Dec issue. Insuring that members, who do not have email addresses and/or prefer to renew by sending a check, would receive a mailed Membership Renewal form to replace the mailed reminders thus saving additional postage costs.

The C&BL indicates in **SECTION 2 - Dues**

(d) During the month of November, the Membership Chairman shall publish a renewal notice for the ensuing year in the official Club Publication or as directed by the Board of Directors.

3) Still outstanding –

- a) In discussion with Terry Chandler, I am in agreement with his proposal to issue 1 year free membership to **NEW** puppy buyers purchased from a breeder. Details will be worked out as to pricing challenges for online applications with Missy, Dean.
 - (1) Upon approval of his proposition, I will need approx. 1-2 months to design an online and analog version of the application - which can be downloaded and mailed or executed online.

4) In discussion with Terry Chandler regarding Clubs that were in danger of dissolution or becoming inactive because of serious financial and membership numbers difficulty.

- a) We would suggest a reduction of Club Membership fees. During this period of dues reduction, clubs could hold Hunt Tests and Water Tests. This would enable them to

grow their membership.

- b) To paraphrase Terry's feelings – "it is better to receive a reduced membership fee than none at all"
- 5) Clubs in red remain unpaid and continue to be listed and receive a Shorthair Journal suggestion listed per club. Suggestion: Consider reducing dues to \$75 /year so they may continue to hold Hunt Tests as an effort to gain new membership. Any club holding Specialty shows and/or Field Trials would not receive a discounted rate.
 - (1) OZARK – 2013 – Remove club from Shorthair Journal list –there has been no communication from them nor has their Director indicated that there has been any communication with them to find out their viability and desire to continue as a Local club member and ask what the GSPCA can do to assist them.
 - (2) ELPASODELNORTE – 2014 – Remove club from Shorthair Journal list – there has been no communication from them nor has their Director indicated that there has been any communication with them to find out their viability and desire to continue as a Local club member and ask what the GSPCA can do to assist them.
 - (3) YUCCA – 2012 - Deleted club from roles.
 - (4) EASTERN IOWA – HAS DISOLVED AND HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM MEMBERSHIP ROLES per their request.
 - (5) GSPC of Orange County CA - has indicated that they will defer paying their 2016 because they will not hold any events this year. Email notification has been received, indicating that they will make a decision in June. They have not replaced their officers and do not plan to until June. Their options are to dissolve the GSPCOC or continue.
 - (6) Eastern GSPC (does not need to be a member or our approval to hold events) They have yet to replace Robin Young as Secretary since her untimely death – Request Diane Prohaska contact them to inquire of their intentions to continue their GSPCA Local Club Membership.
- 6) **Still under consideration –**
 - a) What information members may access within the Members Only Section of the website (See June 2014 Report)? Have received requests regarding members searching for members in the Members Only section.
- 7) **Financial Summary:** This area belongs to Dean
- 8) **Membership numbers**
 - i) Membership number up hold steady for the same time last year 1351
 - ii) A reminder that Membership numbers traditionally drop yearly after Feb 28 due to

non-renewals.

- iii) We have picked up former members as will be reflected in the addendum below. This is the traditional cycle. Changing the timing of renewal notifications and continued Director support did not improve renewals over the previous year.

9) Action Items for Board consideration:

- i) **See Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes above:**

Current Membership list

Tabs are labeled - Membership, Clubs, Juniors

Dashboard

Thank you, Cynthia

Addendum:

Memberships as of 01/01/2016 = 1451

Total membership statistics. (see dashboard)

Individual Membership = 655

(1) Pd Thru
12/31/2019 (5)
Pd Thru
12/31/2018 (54)
Pd Thru
12/31/2017
(322) Pd Thru
12/31/2016
(273) Pd Thru 12/31/2015 (Not yet renewed)

Family Membership = 423

(2) Pd Thru
12/31/2019 (3)
Pd Thru
12/31/2018 (34)
Pd Thru
12/31/2017
(238) Pd Thru
12/31/2016
(146) Pd Thru 12/31/2015 (Not yet renewed)

Merit Individual Membership = 93

(1) Pd Thru
12/31/2018
(12) Pd Thru
12/31/2017
(54) Pd Thru
12/31/2016
(26) Pd Thru 12/31/2015 (Not
yet renewed) (4) Pd Thru
12/31/2017

Merit Family Membership = 82

(1) Pd Thru
12/31/2018
(12) Pd Thru
12/31/2017
(53) Pd Thru
12/31/2016
(16) Pd Thru 12/31/2015 (Not yet renewed)

Life Memberships = 20

(6) HOF
(14) Life

Memberships

Honorary

Memberships = 3

Foreign Membership = 38

(21) Foreign Individual
(1) Pd Thru
12/31/2017
(16) Pd Thru
12/31/2016
(4) Pd Thru 12/31/2015 (Not yet renewed)
(1) Merit Family Membership Pd Thru 2016
(16) Foreign Family
(3) Pd Thru
12/31/2018
(8) Pd Thru
12/31/2017

(5) Pd Thru

12/31/2016

(4) Pd Thru 12/31/2015 (Not yet renewed)

Pending memberships (yet to be
voted on) = 37 Individual
=27

(26) Pd Thru

12/31/2016

(1) Pd Thru

12/31/2017

Family = 10

(2) Pd Thru

12/31/2017

(8) Pd Thru

12/31/2016

33 Juniors

67 Clubs

73 new members

since Oct 1 Of that

17 Former

members

Former Members continue to reapply (THIS IS A SNAPSHOT AS OF 01/04/2015)

Merchandise Report (Holly Faught/liaison-Dean Browning)

MERCHANDISE

NFT –

I'm happy to report that the NFT merchandise will make a profit. Pre-orders were about the same as last year even though the merchandise was advertised very early this year. The P&L is attached.

It is my opinion that the new merchandise chairman should begin work on the 2016 logo to allow for an early release of merchandise online just after the completion of the NSS.

NSS –

The logo is complete for the 2016 NSS Merchandise. Inventory to be sold has not yet begun. I have delayed in doing this in hopes that the new chairman could at least be involved. Normally, the webpages are already being built.

ACTION:

As per my previously submitted resignation letter, the new chairman will need to be prepared to do all duties pertaining to the merchandise at the NSS. At this point in time, I do not plan to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Faught

2015 NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL MERCHANDISE P & L

INCOME:

Pre-Ordered Merchandise	2456.50
Pre-Order Shipping	165.50
Inventory Sold by Gene @ NFT	1174.00
Inventory Sold by Mike @ NFT	252.00
Reimbursement on Purina Logo	65.00
Fire Sale Merchandise	1015.00
Fire Sale Shipping	204.00
Shipping Collected for items left @ NFT	15.00

TOTAL

\$5,347.00

INCOME:**EXPENSES:**

Corporate Images - Pre-Orders & Inventory	
Invoice #50479	890.35
Invoice #50475	821.30
Invoice #50478	550.40
Invoice #50476	1,639.81
ESTIMATED - Final Invoice for additional orders	611.00
Postage for initial pre-orders to be shipped	120.15
ESTIMATED postage on additional orders	\$160.00

TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$4,793.01**

PROFIT **ESTIMATED until all expenses are complete** **\$553.99**

REMAINING INVENTORY:

****** Judges Gifts - Deducted as Expense on Invoice **\$650.00**

SUMMARY OF PRE-ORDERS & FIRE SALE

# OF PRE-ORDERS TO BE PICKED UP @ NFT	17
# OF PRE-ORDERS TO BE SHIPPED	10
# OF ORDERS PLACED AFTER NFT	17
# OF FIRE SALE	<u>2</u>
TOTAL ORDERS:	46

National Bird Dog Museum Report (Terry Chandler)

Report presented by Terry.

Outstanding Sportsmanship Report (Diane Prohaska)

Diane states that there has been no activity to report.

Registry Of Merit Report (Renee Lara/liaison-Gene Moseley)

Report presented by Renee.

Rescue Report (Missy Neal/liaison-Sharon Fitzpatrick)

Report presented by Sharon.

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

Prepared By: Patricia Busso/Liz Jennings

Date: JANUARY 4, 2016

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

The *Shorthair Journal* Magazine:

The *Shorthair Journal* is the official publication of the GSPCA. Each member receives a subscription as a part of membership; additionally 345 issues are sent to GSP judges approved by the AKC. It is a hard copy magazine published 6 times a year. Issues and 'themes' are and have historically been:

Jan/Feb	National Field Trial
Mar/Apr	Puppies
May/June	Stud Dog
Jul/Aug	National Specialty Show
Sep/Oct	National Amateur Gun Dog Trial
Nov/Dec	Appreciation

On June 1, 2015 I took over the responsibility for the design and production of publication and have to date designed, edited and published the July/August, September/October and November/December issues.

My experience in multiple disciplines including publishing, marketing, advertising, sales and graphic design is a powerful benefit that I have brought to the GSPCA and *The Shorthair Journal*. My digital marketing expertise across various industries adds a level of insight that compliments my overall portfolio of capabilities.

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

First and foremost I updated the look and feel of the publication to make it more reader friendly.

Specifically:

- Updated and redesigned the masthead
- Updated and redesigned the cover moving away from an “ad” to an attractive image focusing on our breed
- Redesigned internal pages
 - Typeface and type size
 - More use of color and photographs
- Content has been expanded to include articles in each issue, dealing with field, hunting, conformation/show, and the performance areas of Rally, Agility, Tracking and Obedience

Result of Changes:

The feedback from the membership has been very positive. Here are just a few of many compliments:

“It is the best one I have ever read to date. Excellent articles in it.”

“Just received my Shorthair Journal all the way over here in Australia, Fabulous!! Congratulations to you and your team, Patty.”

“Finally received by Shorthair Journal. Hats off the entire team that worked on putting the issue together. I enjoyed reading all the articles as well as the judge’s critiques from the NSS. Thanks and look forward to the next issue!!”

“Hey Patty, just got the latest edition of the Shorthair Journal; it's awesome! What a difference. We're really impressed with the changes. Well done!!!”

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

Since the feedback from the membership is positive, we will continue to provide quality content and design. We are planning to add a section each issue to focus on our breed standard to continue to educate our membership and judges.

We will focus on shortening the production time and getting contributors to provide information in a timelier manner.

2016 will have a more aggressive effort to bring on more advertisers: members and corporations.

3. Financial Summary: See Dean Browning

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

- a. Request the names of at least two Field Trial folks who might be willing to be on the SJ Committee and source article of interest for the Journal
- b. Request the names of at least two Performance (Obed/Rally/Agility) folks who might be willing to be on the SJ Committee and source article of interest for the Journal

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

1. We would like to create advertising package discounts and recommend the following to the BOD for approval:

Bronze Package	6 Black & White ads (1 per issue) @ 100 per ad less 20% discount or \$480.	50% to be paid with placement of 1 st ad 50% with placement of 2 nd ad
Silver Package	3 color ads @ 250/page less a 20% discount or \$600	50% paid with placement of 1 st ad 50% with 2 nd ad
Gold Package	4 color ads @ \$250 per page less 20% discount or \$800	50% paid with placement of first ad 50% paid with placement of 2 nd ad
Platinum Package	6 color ads @ 250 per ad less 20% discount or \$1200	50% paid with placement of first ad 50% paid with placement of 2 nd ad

2. Offer breeders to purchase extra issues to give to puppy buyers at a discount
 - a. If they purchase multiple issues
 - i. 2-6 issues, \$xx.00 per issue plus S/H
 - ii. 6+ issues, \$xx.00 per issue plus S/H
3. Offer business card size ads 2" L x 3" high
 - a. Color only – 1 photo plus dog's name & titles & owners name & email address - \$40 per issue

4. Request permission to publish “real statistics” in the Stats Section versus statistics adjusting out non-GSPCA members. This would make the statistical reporting much easier for the FT, Conformation, OH and Performance statisticians. And it would make the statistics ‘factual’. *We would keep the disclaimer, which is at the bottom of each SJ issue, in place. It states that you must be a member of the GSPCA in order to compete for GSPCA year-end trophies AND that you must be a member with dues paid by March 1st each year in which the ranking is earned.*
5. Permission to rework the themes for the Mar/Apr (Puppies); May/June (Stud Dog) and Nov/Dec (Appreciation) issue with a focus towards encouraging more advertising. We would maintain the following issue theme dedications. Jan/Feb – National Field Trial; Jul/August - National Specialty Show and Sep/Oct – National Amateur Gun Dog Champion

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

Prepared By: Dean Goodding

Date: 1/4/16

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

Standard Review Committee

Christy has stated that she will give a verbal report at the meeting.

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

Committee was formed in June Started with Christy and Renee with me as Liaison.

Additional Members have now been asked to join and the committee now consists of:

Renee L

Christy F

Karen Nauer

Lucretia Coonrod

Renee is going to ask Betsy Yates also to join the committee.

Renee also stated: I thought we could get a conference call in February discuss goals etc. and go from there.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

Set conference call for goals

3. Financial Summary: Cost for Wicket

Past Year (0)

Current Year ?

Planned Budget for Future ?

If there is a loss or decline in revenue please provide reasons. *NONE*

4. Committee Needs (please list in order of importance): *Unknown at this time*

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

Water Test Report (Dean Goodding)

Prepared By: Dean Goodding

Date: 1/2/2016

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity: Water Test

6 clubs with 55 entries and 37 new titles. A Lot of interest from clubs for 2016. Coached clubs to supply ribbons for accomplishments. Most of them did. Also they were to do a summary and pictures and send to the Journal. NSS considered a water test at the National Specialty show, but couldn't coordinate for this year.

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

New Certificates are being issued. Help clubs find grounds. Coaching them on how to do it, and in some cases, helping them find grounds and sending the information to them

Result of Changes: There will be more water tests this year.

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes: Make form fill able, instead of Hand written entries. Plan 2017 water test for the NSS and NFT

3. Financial Summary:

Past Year 2014?

Current Year \$201.50

Planned Budget for Future: \$ 100 due to additional club participation. Tentatively 10 clubs to schedule for 2016

If there is a loss or decline in revenue please provide reasons. No decline- Net \$114.13

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

- a. Approve written changes for the water test. Cleans up language and sets new standards.
- b. Approve the Chair / Committee on doing a Petition to submit to the AKC to accept the GSPCA water test as an official title(Every club and member that did the water tests supports this action)
- c. Contact individuals that submitted e mails of interest to be on the committee during 2016

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

Possible rate increase for 2017

Approve Rule changes for 2016

Webmaster's Report (Missy Neal/liaison-Diane Prohaska)

Prepared By: Missy Neal

Date: 1/6/2016

1. Provide a Brief Summary of the Event/Activity:

GSPCA Website

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

Complete Website and Member site redesign including change of public site host (website server/emails) – launch August, 2015.

Launch of the Futurity online payment forms (Nomination, First forfeit, Second forfeit)

Launch of the Breeder Listings online payment form

Result of Changes:

We have had positive feedback from the public site redesign, both from members and other breed clubs. *Many, many thanks to the Board members who took time out of their busy schedules to participate on the redesign committee!!!*

Recommended Future Event or Activity Changes:

Some sections are still in various stages of buildout. Namely the Event results (NSS/NAGDC), the Dual Champion/HOF/Annual Awards archive (dog database), and the ROMs.

Our Membership database / site has given us (Cynthia and myself) fits for several months. Our content mysteriously disappears, or the system fails to recognize our changes/updates, and some of the forms have stopped reliably functioning. Additionally, the level of customer

/ tech support from MemberClicks has significantly declined. Therefore I fully agree to search for a viable alternate solution for our member database.

3. Financial Summary: NA

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

None at this time 😊

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None at this time 😊

Yearbook Report (Debra Broad/liaison-Gene Moseley)

Prepared By: Gene Moseley Jr. /Liaison Report **Date:** 01-4-16

1. Yearbook

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

The GSPCA Yearbook over the last couple of years has changed the covers each year instead of the usual Logo date cover in past.

We have added club ads with a two for the price of one.

We have rearranged some of the flow of the book.

We are looking to start transferring all old books to a PDF file for future storage and database.

We are giving good deals to people that are advertising in NFT and NSS catalog ads . Same ad in yearbook \$40 B&W Full page, \$65 Color Full page.

3. Financial Summary:

Yearbooks are \$40.00 at present

Yearbook has made a profit since Deb has taken over and looking for another good profit year in the 2014 book.

Deb Broad is selling and handling all sales of yearbook with coordination with web site.

4. Committee Needs please list in order of importance:

Always can use help in photos and correct data from all winners.

Could use some help with people to help get ads for book.

5. Action Items for Board consideration:

None at this time