

# **Wag'n Tongue**

**The German Shepherd Dog Club of St. Louis  
July – August 2001**



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of St. Louis Rescue  
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**The German Shepherd Dog Club  
of St. Louis is on the Web!!  
Thank you Bill Harper  
<http://members.aol.com/gsdcs/>**

## Mission Statement

The object of the Club shall be to encourage and promote the breeding of purebred German Shepherd Dogs and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection, to urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as adopted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of America and approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which the German Shepherd Dog shall be judged. To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, obedience trials, and tracking tests, to



aid with every possible means in demonstrating the German Shepherd Dog's conspicuous ability as a companion, war, Red

Cross, police, herding, rescue dog, and lead dog for the blind. To conduct shows, obedience trials, demonstrations, etc., under the rules of the American Kennel Club, to publish literature and periodicals in the interests of the German Shepherd Dog. The Club shall not be conducted or operated for a profit, and no part of any profits or remainder or residue from dues or donations to the Club shall inure to the benefit of any member or indi-

## Join the GSDC of America

### German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. Application for Membership

**Requirements:** Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Membership includes subscription to *The German Shepherd Dog Review*.

**Membership Type:** (check one)

Single \$66.00      Family\* \$100.00

**Dues** are not tax deductible.

\*Family is defined as same household or significant other.

\*Make checks payable to GSDCA.

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I (We) hereby make application to the above club and agree, if accepted for membership, to abide by its Bylaws and the Bylaws of the American Kennel Club. Upon application I will be eligible for all privileges except the right to vote. Thirty days after my name has been published in the *Review*, provided no objections have been filed, I will be granted the right to vote.

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**THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH  
NATIONAL SPECIALTY  
SHOW 2001  
November 4, 2001  
THRU  
November 10, 2001  
Perry, GA**

# 2001 General Meetings 7:30 PM

August	September	October	November	December	January
Picnic	21	19	16	Christmas Party	18

# 2001 Board Meetings 8:00 PM

August	September	October	November	December	January
2	6	4	1 or 8	6	3



Our third silent auction will be held at our Fall Show, and we are soliciting items for donation. The last two years have proved the best items for bidding purposes are artifacts: Items using the German Shepherd Dog in drawings, paintings, statues, lithographic prints, signage, etc. have the most interest and bring in the most income. Books are great too, and they can be the GSD oldies, or on health, or even GSD related story books. Perhaps you have two of a kind, and will donate one to the cause. All donors are credited for the item, and I am hoping we receive more art and handcrafted things for this years auction. Our goal is to break \$500.00 this year. Last year we came close. Thank you in advance for your help!



Call Lee Trapp and tell him what you wish to donate. Lee can be reached at most meetings. Lee's telephone number is 636-949-0328, or e-mail address is Leetrapp@aol.com.



**Remember!!!!**

**All income is donated to the Animal Health Foundation.**





## **German Shepherd Dog Club of St. Louis, Inc.**

### **Upcoming Events**

**August 5, 2001** - Club Picnic at Lang Park in Arnold Missouri. The picnic is scheduled to begin at 12:00 Noon, at the first pavilion on the right as you enter the park.

**September 21, 2001** - Regular Club Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Educational Program: Marilee Wilkinson has volunteered to speak at the September meeting. The program will be "Treatment and Prevention of DM" Marilee has been researching this disease and spending much time reading about this late lifecrippler of our beloved GSDs. She will share with us some research that was not discussed at the DM program that was held last fall.

**September 30, 2001** - 2001 Fall Specialty and Obedience Show, at Emmenegger Park (formerly known as Kirkwood Pool and Park Complex) in Sunset Hills, MO. (at the intersection of I-44 and I-270) Conformation Judge: Patricia E. Robinson, Jr. Showmanship: Dr. Mary B. Adelman. Obedience: ? Silent Auction for American GSD Charitable Foundation. For more information contact: Terry Rock, Chairperson (636) 451-4110 email: TRocknroll@aol.com or Barb Gambill, Show Secretary (314) 773-2839 email: BEG48@aol.com. The Outstanding K-9 Service Awards will be presented at noon. Please join us in honoring these Handler/Dog Teams from the Greater St. Louis Area. Be sure to attend the Southern Illinois German Shepherd Dog Club Fall Specialty on Saturday, September 29, 2001 (same location)

**October 19, 2001** - Regular Club Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Educational Program: Carmen Battaglia, Board member GSDC of America, and AKC Delegate Carmen will have a slide presentation on the 3 affiliates of the AKC which includes a discussion about DNA policy, Frequently Used sires and cloning.

**November 16, 2001** - Regular Club Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Educational Program: Agility, John A. Hoffman will give an Agility program. John is a club member, and his Britta Von Wadekamper OA, HIT was Agility Victrix 2000 National. She will be there signing autographs.

**December 7, 2001** - Club Christmas Party at Rich and Charlie's in Crestwood. 9942 Watson Road. Call Judy DeRousse for further information at 636-390-2177, please try to attend .... It should be a blast!!

# GSDC of St. Louis Meeting Minutes

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 7, 2001

The monthly Board meeting of the G.S.D.C. of St. Louis, Inc. was called to order at 8:25 P.M. by President Gail Stiefferman at Uncle Bill's Restaurant.

The roll was called. Ricky Harrison, Marilee Wilkinson and Terry Rock were excused.

The minutes of the May 18, 2001 Board meeting were read and corrected.

The minutes of the May 18, 2001 Regular meeting were read.

The Treasurer's Report was read. Alice Becker, Corresponding Secretary, had Thank You notes from Nancy Kearney's family and the Humane Society for the donation in Nancy's name, a Thank You note from the ADOA (American Dog Owners Assoc.) for the donation and an invitation to a parade on September 8.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Phone Line: Barb Gambill reported that she has been getting calls about Obedience, puppies, and someone needing a dog to track for a lost pet.

Training: Lois O'Connor stated that the next Novice class would begin September 12 and the Puppy class would begin September 26. Trainers and helpers are very needed for this committee.

'01 Fall Specialty (Sept. 30): Alice Becker reported that the Obedience judge would be Sara Jane Jednecz. She also stated that John DeHope (Conformation) and Ed Haas (Obedience) would be the judges for the '02 Spring Specialty. A show secretary is needed for that show.

Education: Lee Trapp mentioned possible subjects for 2002 - animal health & healing, SchH, acupuncture, tracking, Redbook & Futurities, and nutrition. These programs will begin in March.

By-Laws: Marcia Hadley stated that the info letter had been sent.

Marcia Hadley stated that the Brentwood Recreation Center had contacted Marilee Wilkinson that the regular room we have our meetings in will be available for the rest of the year.

Annual Awards, Royal Hecht: Marcia Hadley felt that the new by-laws will change the award rules. A committee will be developed to work on these rules. Alice Becker and Barb Gambill will serve on this committee.

Wag-n-Tongue: Liana New is working on the current Wag. Last year Liana had mentioned that she may not be able to continue editing the Wag. Lee Trapp thanked her for her excellent job with the Wag.

Marcia Hadley asked if S.I.L.G.S.D.C. was coming over here for the '01 Fall Specialty, Alice Becker said yes, she has written that club.

### OLD BUSINESS

Marcia Hadley will be getting together memorials for Nancy Kearney.

Barb Gambill showed an embroidered picture on a T-shirt and there was a discussion on the T-shirts.

Conformation classes haven't been held lately due to weather.

### NEW BUSINESS

Marcia Hadley mentioned about club members becoming Life Members. Lee Trapp moved that Jo Ann Tillman become a Life Member. The motion was seconded by Barb Gambill and passed. Marcia Hadley moved that Charles Wolford become a Life Member. The motion was seconded by Alice Becker and passed.

President Stiefferman mentioned that members have asked about an audit being held. President Stiefferman will get a committee together and handle this.

Marcia Hadley speaking for Marilee Wilkinson, reported that Marilee is volunteering to handle the Flower

Committee and she will also volunteer to purchase judge's gifts. President Stiefferman appoints Marilee Wilkinson as the chairperson of Judge's Gifts.

There being no further business, Marcia Hadley moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Liana New and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Redford  
Recording Secretary

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES June 15, 2001

The monthly Regular meeting of the G.S.D.C. of St. Louis, Inc. was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by President Gail Stiefferman at the Brentwood Recreation Center.

The roll was called.  
The minutes of the May 18, 2001 Board meeting were read.  
The minutes of the May 18, 2001 Regular meeting were approved as read.

The Treasurers' Report was read. Alice Becker, Corresponding Secretary, read Thank You notes from Ricky Harrison and her Family, the Humane Society for the donation in Nancy Kearney's name, and from the ADOA (American Dog Owners Assoc.) for the donation and membership. Alice also had letters about a Fall Festival parade on September 8 and a letter from the Parent Club about trophy donations. Alice reported that the Obedience judge for the '01 Fall Specialty will be Sara Jane Jednecz; the '02 Spring Specialty Obedience judge will be Ed Haas and the Conformation judge will be John DeHope.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education: Lee Trapp stated that Suzie Franz will speak about animal therapy at the July meeting.

C o n f o r m a t i o n  
Class: Ricky Har-

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### *Meeting Minutes (Continued)*

rison reported that Greg has been at the Des Peres park twice with no one showing for the class. He will continue the class if people attend. The class will begin at 7:00 at Des Peres Park.

Wag-n-Tongue: Liana New reported that the next Wag will be a double version (March/April & May/June) and it will be mailed next week.

Silent Auction: Lee Trapp is collecting gifts for this auction and would like collectible items. This goal this year is to get over \$500.

Training: Lois O'Connor stated that the graduation for the last class had been held and the next Novice class will begin September 12. She reported that the committee needs help with the future classes.

Refreshments: Gail Rutter thanked everyone who had brought refreshments tonight.

'01 Fall Specialty: Terry Rock has volunteers for the committees, but needs some clean-up volunteers.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Marcia Hadley explained the by-law revisions and there was a discussion on this issue. Bill Harper moved that past Presidents have a voting right on the board. The motion was seconded by Alice Becker and passed. Bill Harper moved that all the revisions be accepted. The motion was seconded by Dyan Harper and passed. President Stiefferman thanked Marcia Hadley and the committee members for organizing the by-laws revisions.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Helen Rock mentioned an upcoming Temperament Test.

that the club donate \$50 for a Confirmation trophy and \$50 for an Obedience trophy to the upcoming National Specialty. The motion was seconded by Bill Harper and passed.

Jo Ann Leistner moved that regular business be put aside for the presentation. The motion was seconded by Barb Gambill and passed.

There was a short break.

Lee Trapp introduced Lois O'Connor who spoke about her litter that produced seven Champions.

A raffle netted \$53.  
A brag box netted \$18.

Marilee Wilkinson moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Bill Harper and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Redford  
Recording Secretary

### ***An Epitaph found on a pet's tombstone:***

**"The reason I loved him is plain to see: with all my faults, he found beauty in me"**

*People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered; Forgive them anyway.*

*If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; Be kind anyway.*

*If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; Succeed anyway.*

*If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway.*

*What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway.*

*If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; Be happy anyway.*

*The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; Do good anyway.*

*Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway.*

**THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL  
SPECIALTY SHOW 2001  
November 4 through November 11, 2001  
Perry, Georgia  
Closing Date: 1 October 2001**

Schedule of Events 2001 Nationals Perry, Georgia  
Detailed times to be announced at a later date.

**Sunday November 4, 2001**

Herding Trial (All Breed Herding; HT/PT)  
WDA Board Meeting

**Monday November 5, 2001**

Herding Trial (All Breed Herding; HT/PT)  
Tracking Trial  
2001 GSDCA National Schutzhund Invitational (Demonstration)  
All Day (Followed by Reception)

**Tuesday November 6, 2001**

Herding Trial GSD Only (HT/PT All Breeds)  
WDA BH/AD  
Registration  
Temperament Test  
Committee Meetings  
Afternoon: Herding Instinct Testing  
6:00 p.m. Futurity/Maturity Finals  
7:00 p.m. Members Hospitality "An Odyssey to the Breed"

**Wednesday November 7, 2001**

8:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies  
8:15 a.m. Conformation Judging 6-9, 9-12, 12-18 Both Sexes  
5:30 p.m. American GSD Charitable Foundation Board Meeting  
(Lobby Lounge) Holiday Inn Headquarters  
8:00 PM Educational Program, (Roquemore Center/  
Fairgrounds)

**Thursday November 8, 2001**

8:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies Agility GSD Only  
8:15 a.m. Agility GSD Only  
8:15 a.m. Conformation Judging  
Novice, Bred-By  
Lunch  
SIXTH Annual Rescue Dog Presentation  
American Bred Dogs, American Bred Bitches  
Immediately Following Breed Judging shall be The Stud Dog  
Presentation  
8:00 p.m. Annual Meeting (Roquemore Center/Fairgrounds)

**Friday November 9, 2001**

8:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies  
8:15 a.m. Agility Open to All Breeds  
8:00 a.m. Obedience (GSD Only)

8:15 a.m. Confirmation Judging  
Open Dogs, Open Bitches  
Lunch  
Parade of Great Dogs

Immediately Following/Parade of Great Dogs  
Winners Dog Class - Winners Bitch Class  
Conditional Class (OFA H&E), Veterans

(Dogs & Bitches)

Immediately Following Breed Judging Shall Be:  
Junior Showmanship

Immediately following Junior Showmanship will be:  
Best Puppy provided that a puppy has not  
gone WD or WB.

At conclusion on Day AM GSD Charitable Foundation Benefit

**Saturday November 10, 2001**

8:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies  
8:15 a.m. Agility (Open to All Breeds)  
8:15 a.m. Best of Breed Competition  
Bitches will be judged to their entirety  
Lunch Break (Time @ discretion of judge)  
Gold Page Luncheon @ Fairgrounds  
(served 11:30 - 1:30)  
Dogs will be judged to their entirety  
Best of Breed Judging

7:00 p.m. Victory Reception

8:00 p.m. Victory Dinner

**Sunday November 11, 2001**

8:00 a.m. Board Meeting (Holiday Inn/Perry, GA)  
Please note that Best Puppy and best opposite puppy  
will be judged on Friday, provided that one of the puppies is  
not Winners Dog or Winners Bitch.

Scheduling Information: Starting Times for all classes  
will appear in the judging program. (ie., 6-9 Puppy Dog 9:45  
a.m. 6-9 Puppy Bitch 11:00 a.m. Every attempt to completely  
stagger the judging will be made, however to keep a timely  
schedule, starting times must appear and be adhered to. The  
ring shall be opened up for the American Bred Classes and will  
remain at full size for the remainder of the show.

**54th OBEDIENCE TRIAL  
The Sixth AGILITY Trial  
The Twelfth HERDING TRIAL  
Tracking Trial  
Temperament Testing**

**WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION**

REMINDER It is important that we all do our best to maintain  
cleanliness with our dogs, both at our hotels and at the show  
site. There are always designated areas for exercising your  
dog. Please help us to be able to get hotels in the future.

THERE WILL BE A BENCH SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING AND  
HEARING ABOUT ANYONE WHO ABUSES ONE OF THE HOTELS.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE RULES OF  
THE HOTELS AND YOUR CLUB

## So, you're thinking about attending the Canadian National this year?

**Spectacular by Nature Things to see and do while in British Columbia**

Vancouver is home to some of the most breathtaking natural scenery in the world

### ***Vancouver City Highlights***

**Gastown** - a Historic area of Vancouver (about an hour from host hotel)

Walk down cobble-stoned street into Vancouver's original frontier town. Surround yourself in history in our news and court yards full of creative architecture. It's a world of eclectic galleries, specialty and Canadian shops. Here you find some of Vancouver's finest dining in quaint settings.

### ***Chinatown***

View Vancouver's cultural diversity in action.

### ***Robsonstrasse***

High fashion shopping center with lots of quaint shops.

**False Creek/Granville Island** (about an hour from host hotel)

Granville Island is Canada's most creative urban revitalization program. Don't miss the colorful public market. Marvel at the warehouses transformed into theatres, artists' studios and craft stores. Enjoy the freshness that is Granville Island. Complete our tour with a scenic "mini cruise" on the sheltered waters of False creek.

### ***North Vancouver (about an hour from host hotel)***

Ride the Grouse Mountain Sky ride to a viewpoint of 3,700 feet above the city. Talk a walk on the Capilano Suspension Bridge which is the longest and highest suspended footbridge in the world, it spans 450 feet across a river canyon at a height of 230 feet. While there take in the Capilano Fish Hatchery - learn about the life cycle of the Pacific Salmon.

### ***Whale Watching Tours***

These are available and well worth the trip.

**Whistler Mountain Resort** (about 4 hours from host hotel)

Ride the Royal Hudson steam train. This is one of the last operational steam locomotives in Canada. With a distance of 64km, the ride takes about 2 hours and

travels along the rugged Howe Sound coastline. Catch the bus to the magic of Whistler village. See breathtaking mountain lakes and glaciers, enjoy Shannon Falls, at over 1000 feet, it is one of North America's highest waterfalls. Explore the unique European-styled Whistler Town Centre. Take a high speed lift to the top of Whistler or Blackcomb Mountains.

### ***Victoria, B.C.***

Take a day trip to Victoria, a bit of Olde England on Vancouver Island. Enjoy a 90 minute cruise across Georgia Strait and through the beautiful Gulf Islands. Enjoy a walk through the magnificent Butchart Gardens. Visit the Empress Hotel and view the Parliament Buildings.

### ***Richmond (about 45 minutes from Host Hotel)***

A must see is Steveston Village - an old fishing village where you can get the catch-of the day. Enjoy the clothing stores, arts & crafts and outdoor cafes.

### ***Fort Langley (about 15 minutes from Host Hotel)***

Within the village of Fort Langley lies Fort Langley National Historic Site featuring the original and reconstructed buildings of the Hudson Bay Company fort that became "the Birthplace of British Columbia." In this charming small town you can explore inviting antique shops, art galleries and a selection of restaurants.

### ***White Rock (about 20 minutes from Host Hotel)***

Five miles from the U.S. Border lies the picturesque seaside city of White Rock. Only three square miles, White Rock enjoys an active artistic community, beachside "vacation" atmosphere and warm climate. Along White Rock's south coast overlooking the warm shallow waters of Semiahmoo Bay, White Rock Beach is a haven for swimmers, beachcombers and picnic lovers. White Rock's 1500 foot pier reaches out in the bay and offers great fishing. A stroll along the promenade is a voyage of discovery, with many seaside shops and restaurants, plus the famous "White Rock," a giant stone said by Indian legend to have been tossed onto the beach by a powerful sea god.

There is so much to see and do, and we could go on with other highlights, but we think we have covered the most scenic ones.

### ***General Information***

**Weather:** for September is usually 65-70 F or 18 C and could possibly be raining

**Motor Vehicles:** Seatbelts are compulsory in BC

**Taxes:** There is a 7% Goods & Services Tax in effect in BC. I believe that visitors can obtain an instant GST rebate by submitting all GST receipts (up to \$500.00 Canadian) to a participating duty-free shop



## 10 reasons to have a GSD

1. You can take him shopping and he does not care about waiting around.
2. Walking or jogging with your German Shepherd contributes to your physical well being.
3. Hugging your German Shepherd for 20 minutes a day is conducive to better mental health.
4. German Shepherd hair in your food is a nutritious condiment.
5. A German Shepherd is ALWAYS available for a conversation.
6. A German Shepherd is ALWAYS available for snuggling, smooches, and strokes.
7. A German Shepherd always GIVES BACK smooches, strokes, and snuggles.
8. A German Shepherd improves your work environment and encourages you to be a better role model.
9. A German Shepherd improves your self esteem.
10. A German Shepherd improves your image and leads to promotions and a fab-

**PRESIDENTS AWARD:** Awarded to those persons who have achieved an outstanding accomplishment or dedicated an exceptional amount of effort on behalf of the Parent Club or Breed.

1986 Eugene Tenges  
 1986, 1992, 1995 Blanche Beisswenger  
 1988 Dorthy Linn  
 1990, 1993, 1996 James Cusick  
 1992, 1994 Kathleen Steen  
 1993 Robert Williamson  
 1993 Theodore Beckhardt  
 1993, 1995 Ralph Roberts  
 1994 Leonard Steen  
 1994 Lois Fryslin  
 1994 William Hope  
 1994, 1996 Anne Due  
 1995 Doris Estabrook  
 1995 Helen "Scootie" Sherlock  
 1995 Mary Roberts  
 1995 Susan Godek  
 1995, 1996 Linda Kury  
 1995, 1999 Maryellen Kish  
 1997 Barbara Woelfel Lopez  
 1997 Bill Pfeiffer  
 1997 Carmen Battaglia  
 1997 Leon Butler  
 1998 David Landau  
 1998 Eleanore Goede  
 1998 Jack Newton  
 1998, 2000 Debra Ann Hokkanen  
 1999 Dr Morton Goldfarb

**LaMAR KUHN'S AWARD:** This award recognizes outstanding presentation and grooming of dogs and creating of good will for German Shepherd Dogs. The award is open to both the non-professional or professional.

1985 James Moses  
 1986 Cappy Pottle  
 1987 Connie Beckhardt  
 1988 Mary Roberts  
 1989 Robert Penny  
 1990 Fred Olson  
 1991 Ernest Loeb  
 1992 Lori Nickeson  
 1993 James W. Norris  
 1994 Jerry Guzman  
 1995 Sandra Dancose  
 1996 Scott Yergin  
 1997 Kent Boyles  
 1998 Bart Bartley  
 1999 Terry Hower  
 2000 Ken Tank



## ~AWARDS~



**CONNIE BECKHARDT AWARD:** The person receiving the award must have integrity toward the breed and the public, and be devoted to the welfare of all German Shepherd Dogs.

1991 Peggy Douglas  
 1992 Helen Sherlock & Pat Parsons  
 1993 George & Virginia Collins  
 1994 Barbara Woelfel Lopez  
 1995 Fran & Joan Ford  
 1995 Martha & David Rinke  
 1996 Dorthy Linn  
 1997 Joan Ortigara  
 1998 Mary Ellen Kish  
 1999 Doris Estabrook  
 2000 Carolyn Martello

# German Shepherd Dog Club of America



## Litter Nomination Form

German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc.

2002 National Futurity

Litters Whelped Oct. 1, 2000 - Sept 30, 2001 Litter Nominations close January 1, 2002

Breeder or Co-Breeder of the AKC registered litter must be a member of the GSDCA or must apply with this nomination.

An individual owner may nominate a litter, but this form must be signed by the breeder and the breeder must nominate the litter in the region which the breeder resides.

Nomination fee will be \$20.00 per litter for members of the GSDCA or those applying for membership with an enclosed Form and fee. Nomination is limited to members of the GSDCA or applicants for membership. Nomination is extended to 120 days by paying late fees of \$50.00 in addition to the \$20.00 or until nominations close with a late fee of \$100.00. No fee may be refunded.

Make check or money order (in US funds only) payable to GSDC of America.

Forward completed litter nomination and fee to JIM RAU DOG SHOWS within 90 days following date of whelping.

A four generation pedigree must be submitted with this nomination.

Date of Whelping:

Month \_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_ Date of this nomination: Month \_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_

Number of Puppies \_\_\_\_

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_ AKC #: \_\_\_\_\_

Dam: \_\_\_\_\_ AKC #: \_\_\_\_\_

Breeders name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breeders address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the litter nomination in Region \_\_\_\_\_

SEND FORMS TO: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Juvenile Litter Questionnaire Litter # \_\_\_\_\_ (MUST ACCOMPANY FUTURITY NOMINATION FORM)

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_ AKC #: \_\_\_\_\_ OFA Cert. \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Dam: \_\_\_\_\_ AKC #: \_\_\_\_\_ OFA Cert. \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

TOTAL NUMBER OF PUPS \_\_\_\_\_ Males: \_\_\_\_\_ Females: \_\_\_\_\_  
Still born: Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_ Died within 3 weeks: Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Color code: Sable = S; Black & Tan = B/T; B1 color = B1C; Blue = Blue; Brown = LV

Males: 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_

Females: 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_

Litter Characteristics (Leave blank unless applicable)

Health Characteristics

Heart: (Ask Vet for diagnosis - see BLUE BOOK II for articles)

LONG COATS: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

FADING PUPPIES: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

MURMUR: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

MONORCHID: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

CRYPTORCHID MALES: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

PDA: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

UMBILICAL HERNIAS: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

CLEFT PALATES: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

PRAA: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

DWARFISM: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

CARPAL SYNDROME PASTERNS: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

SAS: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

UNDERSHOT BITE: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

OVERSHOT BITE: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

LEVEL BITE: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

WRY (TWISTED) BITE: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER: (Please Specify: ) \_\_\_\_\_

ANKYLOSIS: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_ SEIZURES: M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

Band around esophagus due to PRAA:

ESOPHAGEAL: (Ask vet for diagnosis - See BLUE BOOK II for articles)

Dilation or "Ballooning" of the esophagus :M: \_\_\_\_\_ F: \_\_\_\_\_

List three outstanding qualities of this litter:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Particular Problems (Structure, Gait, Temperament) \_\_\_\_\_

Futurity Regional Areas

REGION # 1 NORTHEASTERN - Maine, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut -

REGION # 2 MID-ATLANTIC - New Jersey, Delaware, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia. -

REGION # 3 SOUTHEASTERN - North Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia, South Carolina, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida, Puerto Rico -

REGION # 4 GREAT LAKES - Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky -

REGION # 5 MIDWESTERN - Wisconsin, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota -

REGION # 6 SOUTHWESTERN - Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Arkansas, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico -

REGION # 7 SOUTHERN PACIFIC - Arizona, Las Vegas, Nevada, \*Southern California (all counties south of San Luis Obispo; Kern & San Bernardino)-

REGION # 8 MID-PACIFIC Nevada (Except Las Vegas), Utah, Northern California (all counties north of San Luis Obispo; Kern & San Bernardino) -

REGION # 9 NORTHWESTERN - Washington, Idaho, Wyoming, South Dakota, Oregon, Montana, North Dakota, Alaska, all of Canada -

Mail form to: JIM RAU DOG SHOWS, LTD., PO BOX 6898, READING, PA 19610, PHONE: 610-376-1880;

FAX: 610-376-4939

**The British Columbia German Shepherd Dog Club is pleased to announce the**



**79th Annual  
Canadian National**



**Specialty Championship Show  
& 66th, 67th, 68th & 69th  
Specialty Obedience Trials**

September 20th, 21st, 22nd, 2001  
Cloverdale Agriplex (Indoors)  
Cloverdale, B.C.  
Herding Trials - Stetson Bowl,  
Cloverdale, B.C.

**Entries Close** – Wednesday, August 29th,  
2001 at 8:00 p.m.

**Judging Assignments**

**Futurity/Maturity:**

Males: Dick Whalen, Females: Cappy  
Pottle

**Specialty Show:**

Males & Intersex: Cappy Pottle, Females:  
Dick Whalen

**Temperament Test:**

All entries: Temperament Test Associates

**Obedience Trials:**

Obedience Trial 66 - All Classes - Eileen  
Fraser, Obedience Trial 67 - All, Classes -  
Sharon Smith, Obedience Trial 68 - All  
Classes - Sharon Smith, Obedience Trial  
69 - All Classes - Eileen, Fraser

**Herding Trials:**

Herding Trial #1 - Lynn Leach (GSD only),  
Herding Trial #2- Tim Ballard, Herding  
Trial #3 - Shelley Fritzke, Herding Trial #4  
- Lynn Leach

**Schedule of Events (Pending Confirmation)**

**Thursday, September 20th, 2001**

8:30 a.m.  
Opening Ceremonies  
9:00 a.m.  
Futurity/Maturity Finals  
Junior Puppy Male Class  
Junior Puppy Female Class  
Senior Puppy Male Class  
Senior Puppy Female Class  
12/18 Male Class  
12-18 Female Class  
CKC Herding Trial #1 (GSD only)

11:30 a.m.  
Temperament Test  
12:00 noon  
Lunch and Demonstration

1:00 p.m.  
CKC Herding Trial #2

8:00 p.m.  
GSDCC Inc. General Meeting - Ramada Inn  
(Host Hotel)

**Friday, September 21st, 2001**

8:30 a.m.  
Opening Ceremonies  
9:00 a.m.  
Canadian Bred Male Class  
Canadian Bred Female Class  
Bred by Exhibitor Male Class  
Bred by Exhibitor Female Class  
Open Male Class  
Open Female Class  
Veterans Male Class  
Veterans Female Class  
Winners Male  
Winners Female  
Parade of Greats  
Stud Dog/Brood Bitch Class  
CKC Herding Trial #3  
Obedience Trial #66

10:00 a.m.  
Obedience Trial #67

12:00 p.m.  
Lunch & Demonstration - TBA

1:00 p.m.  
CKC Herding Trial #4

8:00 p.m.  
Hospitality Night - Ramada Inn (Host  
Hotel)

**Saturday, September 21st, 2001**

8:30 a.m.  
Opening Ceremonies (Kathaleen Strong)  
9:10 a.m.  
BC German Shepherd Dog Club K9 Drill  
Team

9:30 a.m.  
Specials Males & Females  
Best Puppy (after specials)  
Obedience Trial #68

10:30 a.m.  
Obedience Trial #69

7:30 p.m.  
Victory Dinner - Sunrise Golf & Country  
Club (5 min. from the Host Hotel)  
All you can eat buffet

The National Specialty Conformation  
Show will be held indoors at the  
Agriplex. The Temperament Test and CKC  
Herding Trials will take place outside,  
and there will also be 4 Obedience Trials  
for German Shepherd Dogs only.

There is RV Parking on site and it is  
\$25.00 per night, included hookups, and  
also shower facilities. RESERVATIONS  
well in advance is a must.

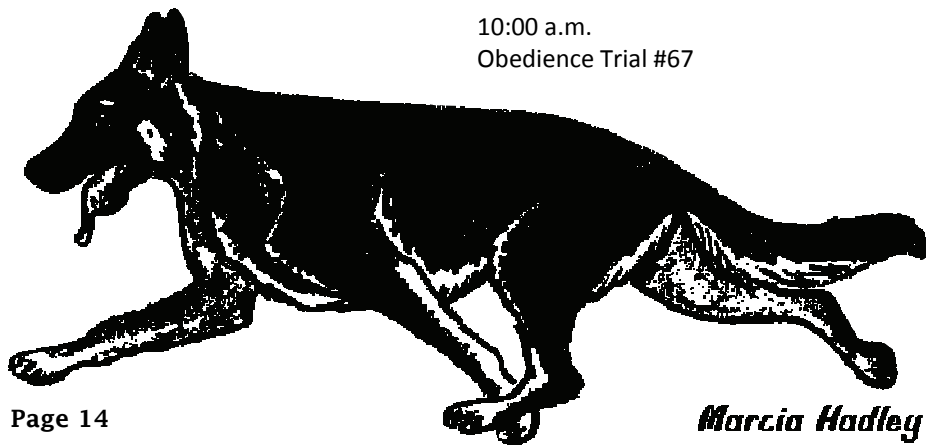
The Host Hotel is the Ramada Limited  
Hotel 19225 Hwy 10, Surrey. For reser-  
vations call: 1-888-576-8388. Quote  
GSD National Specialty Show

Please phone for premium lists or email  
me with your name and address, etc.

Dinner and Dance will be held at the  
Sunrise Executive Par 3 Golf Course  
5640 - 188th Street, Surrey, B.C.

\* hwy 10, between Cloverdale and Lang-  
ley

Please contact Ren MacGregor  
renmac@radiant.net or Ona Steffensen  
at #604-534-2344 in the evenings only or  
email at  
ona@brookwoodspherds.com. For  
further information regarding the herd-  
ing trials please contact Shelley Fritzke at



This is too funny not to share! A friend sent me this story, for anyone who obedience trials, don't laugh.

I was teaching classes 5 nights a week, three hour long classes each night. I always took my dog, Schaumette, as my demonstration dog. Now she was fully trained, right through utility, but I hadn't had the time to enter her. Finally, as Seattle Kennel Club Bench show was coming up, I decided to enter her for her first novice leg. I, of course, told all my students! Come the day of the show, there we were, benched, ready, eager and secretly thinking we had a good chance for high in trial...I mean, how many Utility dogs are entered in Novice?

They called our class. Schaumette was healing all through the crowds like a real trooper, why wouldn't she? After all, she was trained through Utility. (Can anyone see where this is going?)

About 30 of my students had arrived and were at ringside to watch THEIR instructor and the Marvellous Schaumette perform (can you now see where this is going???)

Our number was called. We heeled up to the gate. Entered. The judge, (A very well known and respected obedience judge...Seattle KC always hires the best) came up and asked if I was ready? I said "Yes Ma'am." Off we went, following instructions. I'd glance at Schaumie and she was in perfect position, sitting every time. Figure 8...PERFECT! Stand for Exam...she didn't move a muscle, except to wag her tail at this nice lady judge. Off Lead. Judge said forward. Once again I did a perfect heeling pattern...following every command... yes I did a perfect heel...Schaumie was sitting with the Judge! When she tired of that she casually strolled around the ring saying "Hi" to each of my students. I was horrified. This was my Utility Dog!!!

The judge finally gave up and said exercise finished. Recall...I left Schaumie, waited for the judges signal and called her...she BOUNDED towards me, veering at the last second to go to the judges table to help herself to a mint!

And to top it all off, after I captured Schaumette and put her back on lead, this wonderful lady judge, (who shall remain nameless) came up, put her arm around my shoulder as I walked out of the ring and said, (so that all my shocked students could hear her) "You know dear, if you took her to an obedience class she might improve!"

I'm sure, to this day, that wonderful lady judge wonders why 30 people were rolling around on the floor, holding their sides from laughing so hard. I merely replied, "Yes, Ma'am...I'm sure you're right!"

Since that time, and many, many obedience titles later, I've found that if there is any way that a dog can embarrass you in the ring, they'll do it, just for the laughter they get from ringside. See you next time in the ring!

# **Belkin**

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THE EIGHTY-NINTH NATIONAL  
SPECIALTY SHOW 2002



OCTOBER 13, 2002 THROUGH OCTOBER 20, 2002

**Conformation Training Classes**

**Thursdays at 7:00 PM**

**DesPeres Park**

**Prices are:**

**\$5.00 for the first dog**

**\$3.00 for the second dog**

**\$2.00 for any subsequent dogs**

**~The Training Committee~**

***Obedience Classes for All Breeds  
and Available to the Public***

**Next Novice Class Begins on September 12, 2001**

**Novice Classes 8:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.**

**Novice class runs for 10 weeks.**

**\$40.00 for Club Members**

**\$60.00 for Club Member's puppies**

**\$65.00 for non-members**

**Dog has already been through the Novice class and just needs a refresher?**

**Refresher Class starts the 5th week of training for \$35.00**

**Next Puppy Class Begins on September 26, 2001**

**Puppy Classes 8:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**

**Puppy class runs for 6 weeks.**

**\$25.00 for Club Members**

**\$35.00 for Club Member's puppies**

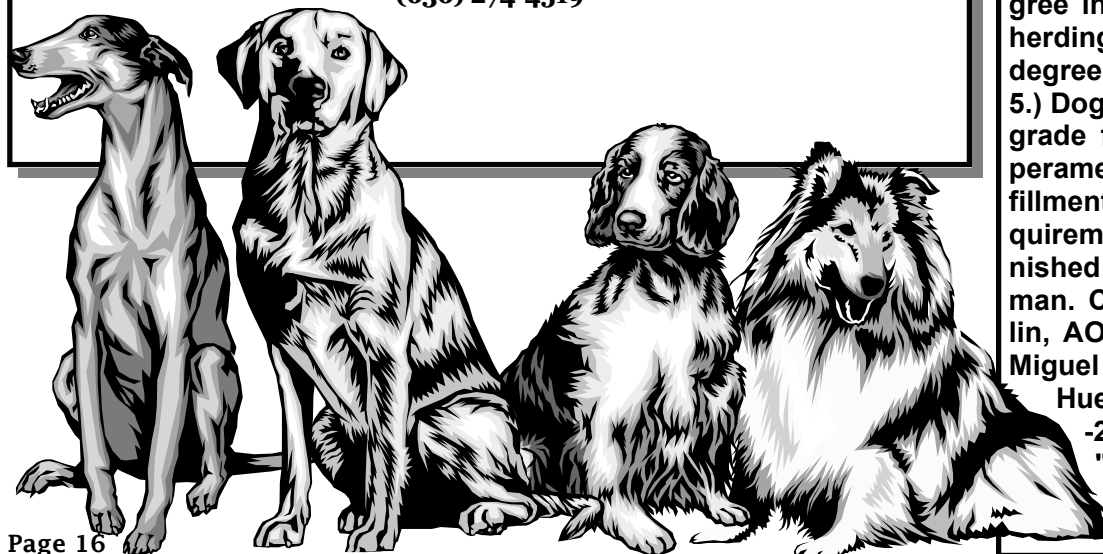
**\$40.00 for non-members**

**Please Come Visit, Anytime! Classes are held every Wednesday**

**Nottingham School, 4915 Donovan Avenue**

**To register or for more information call: Bud & Joann Leistner**

**(636) 274-4519**



**IS YOUR DOG ELIGIBLE  
FOR AOE?**

Each year the Award of Excellence is given at the National to dogs meeting the following requirements:

1.) Dog must be a champion.

2.) Dog must have earned the "Select" title at this show.

3.) Dog must have a passing OFA certification for hips. Dog must have OFA certification for elbows.

4.) Dog must have earned a regular AKC obedience degree including tracking and herding and/or SV or WDA degree.

5.) Dog must have a passing grade for the GSDCA Temperament Test. Proof of fulfillment of the above requirements must be furnished to the AOE chairman. Contact: Helen Franklin, AOE Chairman 406 San Miguel Circle, Port Hueneme, CA 93041X805

-271-0043 AOE-

**"THE TOTAL DOG  
CONCEPT"**

**Ways to know you are doing too many rescues:**

- 1. Your friends remark about your unique dog-fur seat covers.**
  - 2. A friend asks you if you want to go for a Sunday drive and you say you have to check the transport list first.**
  - 3. Your engine starts knocking so you pour a bottle of Rescue Remedy in the gas tank.**
  - 4. You get stopped for having illegally tinted windows and the officer does not believe those are nose prints.**
  - 5. You take your car to the car wash and ask for the flea bath.**
  - 6. You take your dog to the groomer but miss the appointment because your dog is still checking out all the strange doggie smells in your car and refuses to get out.**
  - 7. You sit down to plan your vacation and you begin dividing the route into legs.**
  - 8. You are pulled over for speeding and give the officer your rabies certificate.**
  - 9. You schedule your car's preventive maintenance at the Vets.**
  - 10. Your boss asks you to make his/her travel arrangements for an upcoming business trip, so you post him/her to all the transport lists.**
  - 11. You refer to your favorite Western Bagel shop as the Western Beagle Shop.**
  - 12. You open your glove compartment and all you have inside are three dog leashes, a hand full of cat treats, 13 dog biscuits, 1/2 bag of rabbit pellets, two Dog Breed Reference Guides, and a complete list of local Shelters.**
  - 13. You find that when other people bring out the kid pics and brag.....you whip out the "rescued kids!" and brag!**
  - 14. You find that you literally start foaming at the mouth the instant you see an un-neutered dog/cat.**
  - 15. You find yourself not only petting your friend's dog or cat.....but also doing health and temperament checks.**
  - 16. After you have health and temperament checked your friend's pet, you proceed to do a thorough home check!**
  - 17. Your "regular" friends refuse to answer the door, phone, or email because of the possibility (make that probability) that you need a foster or forever home for another beastie.**
  - 18. You go to call your best friend, and find that you have inadvertently dialed the kennel section of the Animal Shelter!**
- Yep..... we are definitely in need of professional help.**

## AKC Point Schedule Effective May 15th, 2001

## German Shepherds

<i>D = Dog</i> <i>B = Bitch</i>	1 POINT		2 POINTS		3 POINTS		4 POINTS		5 POINTS	
	D	B	D	B	D	B	D	B	D	B
Division 1	3	3	10	12	18	21	22	26	29	33
Division 2	3	3	10	12	18	20	22	25	29	35
Division 3	3	3	10	11	18	20	22	25	29	33
Division 4	3	3	10	10	17	18	20	23	25	33
Division 5	3	3	10	13	18	23	24	31	35	44
Division 6	3	3	8	11	14	19	20	24	30	32
Division 7	3	3	9	13	16	22	19	25	24	30
Division 8	3	3	9	11	16	20	20	25	28	34
Division 9	3	3	9	10	16	18	21	24	30	36
Division 10	3	3	10	8	18	15	19	16	22	21
Division 11	2	2	4	3	5	4	6	5	7	6
Division 12	2	2	6	6	10	10	12	11	14	12

Division 1	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont
Division 2	Delaware, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania
Division 3	District Of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia
Division 4	Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina
Division 5	Michigan, Illinois, Indiana
Division 6	Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Wisconsin
Division 7	Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
Division 8	Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming
Division 9	California
Division 10	Alaska
Division 11	Hawaii
Division 12	Puerto Rico

## Counting Points At Dog Shows

You have just won your first Winners Class at a dog show. All your hard work has finally paid off, you're ecstatic...your dog is excited...but now comes the hard part. How many points did Blaze actually earn??

Here is a quick and easy guide to calculating points that doesn't require an advanced degree in mathematics. The American Kennel Club requires a dog to obtain a total of 15 points with two major wins (a major win is worth three points or higher) to become a champion. The majors must be won under different judges and at least one other judge must award some of the remaining points - so you need to win under at least three different judges.

## Class, Winners, and Breed Competition

Class dogs are judged in classes against other dogs of the same sex - open, puppy, bred-by-exhibitor, American-bred, novice - are just a few. Classes can also be divided by age (as in puppy) or color. When the judge awards first place in a class that dog advances to the Winners competition of its sex.

During the Winners competition, the judge re-examines all the dogs that have received first place in the classes and picks an overall winner - Winners Dog for males and Winners Bitch for females. Although you may have beaten several dogs in the classes, championship points are only awarded to Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. No points are awarded for class wins or Reserve Winners.

Your Winners Dog or Winners Bitch can also win points in the Best of Breed competition. Best of Breed consists of dogs that have already received their championship. Winners Dog and Winner Bitch also compete with the champions in Best of Breed. There are three possible awards a dog can win at this level:

Best of Breed - Awarded to the best dog in the Best of Breed competition

Best of Opposite Sex - Awarded to the best dog of the opposite sex to the Best of Breed winner

Best of Winners - Awarded to the best dog between Winners Dog and Winners Bitch

## Counting Points

### Step One: Take Attendance

Count the number of dogs or bitches competing in the regular classes of your dog's sex - novice, puppy, bred-by-exhibitor, American Bred, and Open classes. Remember to include your dog in the total! Don't count any dogs that are absent (no shows), disqualified, dismissed, excused, or have awards withheld. These dogs do not count in computing the number of dogs competing for that show. If you did not keep up with the total number of dogs in the regular classes, ask the ring steward or check the posted copies of the judge's book for a count of total dogs before you leave the show.

**Tip:** Check the posted copies of the judges' book before you leave the show to make certain your dog was marked as the winner. Mistakes do happen! Also, verify that your dog's AKC registration number is correct in the catalog. If it is not correct, let the superintendent know before you leave the show. In both cases, it's easier to make the correction on the day of the show rather than later.

### Step Two: Check the Schedule of Points

Compare the number of dogs competing that day to the schedule of points for your dog's breed and sex located in the show catalog. The schedule is usually listed with the entries for each breed or at the front of the catalog.

If the number of dogs does not match exactly with those listed in the catalog, choose the number of points assigned to the next lowest number.

An example of a point schedule is listed below:

Remember, point schedules vary by show location. If you are not at the show, make certain

Schedule of Points									
1 Point		2 Points		3 Points		4 Points		5 Points	
Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches
2	2	4	5	7	8	10	12	15	19

you get the points schedule for the event region where your dog won. Refer to the Schedule of Points.

### **Step 3: Calculating Points for Winners Dog or Winners Bitch**

Your dog receives the points according to the number of dogs of your dog's sex competing in the regular classes.

Let's say that Blaze is awarded Winners Dog. After accounting for absent, disqualified, and excused dogs, you determine that a total of 6 dogs competed in the regular classes. Assuming the point schedule listed above, he receives 2 points.

Now it's your turn...

Blaze's sister, Bianca, wins Winners Bitch. Nine bitches competed in the regular classes. How many points did she earn as Winners Bitch?

Answer: 3 points

### **Winning More Points In the Breed Competition**

Your dog can add to the points won in the Winners Class during the Best of Breed competition. If your dog wins:

#### **Best of Breed**

Count the total number of dogs in its sex plus the total number of Champions of both sexes entered in the Best of Breed competition to figure the number of points earned.

#### **Best of Opposite Sex**

Count the total number of dogs in its sex plus the total number of Champions of its sex entered in the Best of Breed competition to figure the number of points earned.

#### **Best of Winners**

This one is a bit different. If your dog is named Best of Winners, he is awarded the highest point level awarded between Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. Let's say that Blaze beats out his sister, Bianca, for Best of Winners. If you'll remember Bianca received three points for Winners Bitch and Blaze received only two points for Winners Dog. Since Blaze took Best of Winners, he is awarded three points instead of two and receives one of the majors he needs for his championship.

Now it's your turn...

Using the point schedule and results listed below, compute the point totals for the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch.

### **Winners Dog and Best of Winners: I'm A Perfect Hound**

#### **Number of Dogs:**

Open: 3

Bred-by-Exhibitor: 1

American Bred: 1

### **Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex: Three Times A Lady**

#### **Number of Bitches:**

Open: 4

American Bred: 2

#### **Number of Champions:**

Dogs: 2

Bitches: 2

<b>Schedule of Points</b>									
1 Point		2 Points		3 Points		4 Points		5 Points	
Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches
2	2	4	5	7	8	10	12	15	19

Points Awarded To:

I'm A Perfect Hound (Answer: 3)

Three Times A Lady (Answer: 3)

#### **Here's What Happened...**

Prior to the Best of Breed competition, I'm A Perfect Hound and Three Times A Lady had racked up 2 points each. In the Breed competition, Three Times A Lady won Best of Opposite Sex beating two champion bitches in addition to the six bitches competing in the regular classes. This win increased her points to three. Since I'm A Perfect Hound was awarded Best of Winners, he received three points as well (the highest point value awarded between Winners Dog and Winners Bitch).

#### **Verifying Points**

It is important to check on your dog's point totals from time to time. The AKC offers an online service to verify the number of points your dog has accumulated toward a championship. Allow four to six weeks for your dog's win to be recorded in this system.

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## **GSDCA Breeder's Code**

### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Breeders' Code shall be to serve as a guideline for a minimum standard of excellence in the ownership, breeding and sales of the German Shepherd Dog. To that end, I hereby pledge to:

### **HEALTH**

- I.** Maintain the highest possible standards of health, cleanliness and care in my kennel. This includes, but is not limited to proper veterinary care, regular contact with people and exposure to the outside world for proper socialization of all my dogs.
- II.** Urge all buyers to have a puppy or adult dog sold by me, examined by a licensed veterinarian within 72 hours of receipt. The buyer will pay for the examination.
- III.** Deliver or ship only puppies or adult dogs of sound health and temperament. Where the buyer or his authorized representative did not personally see and choose said dog, a period of 48 hours is granted to advise of the final decision and an additional 48 hours is provided if the dog is to be returned.

### **BREEDING**

- I.** Encourage bitch owners to breed only if they have facilities, time and resources to adequately care for a litter and upon strong evidence of the possibility of finding suitable homes for the resultant litter.
- II.** Refuse stud service to any bitch I consider in poor health, physically or mentally unsound, or lacking the necessary breed characteristics as set forth in the German Shepherd Dog standard. Before or at the time of breeding, an exchange of pedigrees and hip and elbow X-ray information must be made.
- III.** Allow one repeat service where a bitch has failed to conceive after being bred to one of my studs, if the stud is still in good health and available, and at such time and place as mutually agreed upon by the owner of the bitch and myself.
- IV.** Breed my own bitches only when I have a definite goal for improvement of the breed in mind, never permitting them to produce three consecutive litters unless breeding consecutive litters is recommended by a veterinarian. I fully understand that I am responsible for keeping and/or finding suitable homes for the resultant puppies.

### **SALES**

- I.** Use a sales contract or written agreement in any sale or purchase involving a dog. The sales contract offered by the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, or one similar to it, which covers guarantees and agreements must be used with a signed copy to each party involved.
- II.** Refuse to sell or recommend breeders who do not conform to the ideals and obligations expressed in this Code and refuse all sales to dog wholesalers and retailers.
- III.** Provide buyers of my German Shepherd Dogs with a four-generation pedigree, complete health records, accurate breeding, OFA and registration records, except that registration papers may be withheld or limited in the case of a dog who the parties have agreed in writing will not be bred, until it has been spayed/neutered as evidenced by veterinary confirmation.
- IV.** Provide a copy of the German Shepherd Dog Standard to accompany any puppy or adult dog sold by me.
- V.** To encourage and invite the new owners of any dog sold by me to attend some type of training class and to join in becoming guardians of the Breed by participating in local dog club activities, educational programs, a regional German Shepherd Dog club and/or the German Shepherd Dog Club of America.
- VI.** assure puppy buyers that if at any time the buyer has to place the dog, the breeder must be notified and given the opportunity to assist the buyer in placing the dog.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Also signed by spouse (if member)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please PRINT:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE TO MEMBERS:** Only GSDCA members in good standing may be official signers of the Breeders' Code. Membership termination also voids your status as a signer of the code. You must re-sign the Breeders' Code when you rejoin the GSDCA. Return the signed form to: Jamie Walker, 424 Shirk Lane SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105, which will insure your being placed on the Breeders' Code roster and your receiving a printed Breeders' Code certificate for your records and/or dis-

There isn't much out there that bugs a dog. But there are times when things can get under the skin of even the coolest dogs. Here are some of their top pet peeves in dogs from the mouths of dogs themselves.

1. Leaving the Toilet Bowl Lid Down. Humans just don't understand that the water is cold, fresh and always tastes better there. For the little dogs that have never been able to reach this delightful experience you don't know what you are missing!

2. Not sharing in the fruits of your labor. I don't mean fruit actually. I mean that beautiful, 1 ½ -inch steak you cooked to such aromatic perfection. We're all part of the pack, right? Why am I not getting my share?

3. Not Understanding My Behavior. Okay, so I like to greet strangers by leaping on them. I like to chase my tail by that lead crystal vase you call an heirloom. I'm not misbehaving; I'm a dog for crying out loud. It's all good, like shadow chasing, helps build eye-to-paw coordination.

4. Bathing. What is with the daily bath thing that humans do? And why do they inflict that obscenity upon me on occasion? Just when I think I am smelling fine, they bathe me. I really don't understand. I'm only going to go out and roll in something again. They just do not appreciate the effort it takes to get that perfect doggie odor.

5. Rushing Me to Potty. Don't they know that there is a true art to finding the right spot? Just because they did not get up in time, they are running late, they want me to Hurry up and Potty. Have a little respect. This is my chance to shine!

6. Being Away. I love attention and being around people, noise and excitement. When you are away, at work, or running errands ... this is time away from me. Don't you know? It is ALL about me. Your life should revolve around me AND I can make you regret leaving me behind.....

7. Nail Trims. They are my nails I spend lots of time growing them and here they come again touching my feet. I hate that!

8. Not Letting Me Chase the Squirrel. They torment me by placing a glass wall called a window between me and lots of critters outside. How annoying. All I want to do is play with them. The other thing they do is restrain me with this thing called the leash. I want to run forward and I am pulled back. If they can't keep up, they should just let me go. What is a dog to do?

9. Cat Nip. Now this is one peeve that really annoys me. I see the cat roll and play and even cry out in joy in response to cat nip. I smell it, eat it, lick it and.. nothing happens. Nothing. I don't get it.

10. Not Letting Me at the Mailman. This is so unfair. I wait all day for the mailman and finally he comes. The anticipation is great. Then, they hold me back. Tell me to be quiet. Very annoying. They don't appreciate the fact that the mailman comes everyday and I single handedly scare him away! My bravery and courage are unappreciated.

11. When My Owner is Playing with the Other Dog or Cat. This really hurts my feelings. Seeing MY owner play with someone else. It is all about me... They really don't understand.

12. Won't Let Me at the Litter Box. I think of it as an opportunity for a tootsie roll snack. My owners get all grossed out, run around and then actually deny me access to what I desire the most. I am actually helping to clean up. What's the problem?

13. Expecting me to Be at Their Beck and Call. For a treat I have to do some little humiliating trick and pretend I like it. What about independence, freedom and respect?

14. Sharing the Bed. I don't understand why I have to sleep on the floor. Why can't I have the bed and they sleep on the floor? I work hard all day and night. I protect my owners, guard the house and scare away invaders of my castle such as the mailman, cats, squirrels, and a multitude of other creatures. I should be pampered.

15. Rolling up the Windows. I feel such joy from the little words of wanna go bye bye. This gives me thoughts of having the window down with cool wind blowing through my hair, looking just dynamite as other dogs stare from the curbs in envy and awe. And just when I am really getting into it head out, ear flapping, they roll up the window. Then I am forced to stare at other dogs going by with their heads out the window. Mega bummer.

16. Cats. What really makes me angry is the agility and grace of cats. They have the gifted ability to jump up on things and escape under things with such ease. I really wish I could do that. When I try to do that, I inevitably break or knock something over.

## DOG TITLES

AD (attention deficit)  
 ADX (attention deficit excellent)  
 ARB (ace refrigerator bandit)  
 BW (butt wagger)  
 BWX (butt wagger excellent)  
 CC (cat - courser)  
 CCX (cat - courser excellent)  
 CP (couch potato)  
 CPX (couch potato excellent)  
 CSX (counter surfer extraordinaire)  
 GFIY (go fetch it yourself)  
 HHP (House Hold Pet)  
 IDDI (I didn't do it)  
 ILF (I like food)  
 ILLF (I like lots of food)  
 IWFF (I work for food)  
 LD (lap dog)  
 LDX (lap dog excellent)  
 LDX (Lick dog extrordanaire)  
 OWTB (Oh, What The Heck)  
 PM (Petting Magnet)  
 RFX (Retrieving Fool Extraordinaire)  
 QOC (Queen of Castle)  
 QOCX (Queen of Castle Extrordinaire)  
 TBF (thick but friendly)  
 TGS (terribly good snorer)  
 TGAN (terribly good at nothing)  
 TSIM (that seat is mine)  
 TTIM (that toy is mine)  
 UNCD (under the covers dog)  
 UNCDX (under the covers dog excellent)  
 WM (who me?)

Creation According to Dog

On the first day of creation, God created the dog.

On the second day, God created man to serve the dog.

On the third day, God created all the animals of the earth (especially the horse) to serve as potential food for the dog.

On the fourth day, God created honest toil so that man could labor for the good of the dog.

On the fifth day, God created the tennis ball so that the dog might or might not retrieve it.

On the sixth day, God created veterinary science to keep the dog healthy and the man broke.

On the seventh day, God tried to rest, but He had to walk the dog.



He's just my dog. He is my other eyes that can see above the clouds; my other ears that hear above the winds.

He has told me more than a thousand times over that I am his reason for being -- by the way he rests against my leg, by the way he thumps his tail at my smallest smile, by the way he shows his hurt when I leave without taking him. (I think it makes him sick with worry when he is not along to care for me).

When I am wrong, he is delighted to forgive.

When I am angry he clowns to make me smile.

When I am happy, he is joy unbounded.

When I am a fool, he ignores it. When I succeed, he brags.

Without him, I am only another person.

With him, I am all powerful.

He has taught me the meaning of devotion is loyalty itself.

With him, I know the secret comfort and a private peace.

He has brought me understanding where before I was ignorant. His head on my knee can heal my human hurts.

His presence by my side is protection against my fears of dark and unknown things.

He has promised to wait for me ... whenever ... wherever ... in case I need him, and I expect I will, as I always have.

Who is he? -- He's just --MY DOG!

## RESCUE PRAYER...

Now I lay me down to rest  
I pray my soul can stand this test

Of watching critters lose their homes

While owners gripe and cry and moan

I long for strength of spirit and  
I pray they'll find a home again  
Where they will know a loving heart

I can't do much, but its a start..  
And spare me from the owner's pleas

About the baby's allergies

Or how they're moving out of state

Or spitefulness 'tween cat and mate

Please keep me sane while dealing with

The woman who bought as a gift  
A wriggling tiny ball of fluff

That now is playing way too rough

Remind me I should bite my lip  
When confronted with "he grew too quick"

"I didn't know he'd get so large"

"He seems to think that he's in charge"

### THE 12th ANNUAL GSDCA HERDING TRIAL

Nov. 4, 5, and 6, 2001

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Grounds Perry, GA

Judges: TBD

Herding Instinct Testing

Nov. 6th (Afternoon)

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Dorothy Linn

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Theresa Royer,

Jennifer Root, Gloria Rice,

Dorothy DeLisle. Herding

Advisor/HAC Delegate Linda

Roem. Herding Trial

Show Chairman Kelly

Malone.

Training Tips for the Puppy: The best advice I have ever given puppy owners is to get a newspaper and roll it up very tight. Secure it with a rubber band and leave it on the coffee table. Then, when the puppy piddles in the house, chews up a slipper or does anything he's not supposed to do, simply take the newspaper and bang it on the top of YOUR head very hard while repeating... "I should have been watching my puppy!" "I should have been watching my puppy!"



# "DEVELOPING HIGH ACHIEVERS"

Surprising as it may seem, it isn't capacity that explains the differences that exist between individuals because most seem to have far more capacity than they will ever use. The differences that exist between individuals seem to be related to something else. The ones who achieve and out perform others seem to have within themselves the ability to use hidden resources. In other words, it's what they are able to do with what they have that makes the difference.

In many animal-breeding programs the entire process of selection and management is founded on the belief that performance is inherited. Attempts to analyze the genetics of performance in a systematic way have involved some distinguished names such as Charles Darwin and Francis Galton. But it has only been in recent decades that good estimates of heritability of performance have been based on adequate data. Cunningham (1991) in his study of horses found that only by using Timeform data, and measuring groups of half brothers and half sisters could good estimates of performance be determined. His data shows that performance for speed is about 35% heritable. In other words only about 35% of all the variation that is observed in track performance is controlled by heritable factors, the remaining 65% are attributable to other influences, such as training, management and nutrition. Cunningham's work while limited to horses provides a good basis for understanding how much breeders can attribute to the genetics and the pedigrees. Researchers have studied this phenomena and have looked for new ways to stimulate individuals in order to improve their natural abilities. Some of the methods discovered have

produced life long lasting effects. Today, many of the differences between individuals can now be explained by the use of early stimulation methods.

## Introduction

Man for centuries has tried various methods to improve performance. Some of the methods have stood the test of time, others have not. Those who first conducted research on this topic believed that the period of early age was a most important time for stimulation because of its rapid growth and development. Today, we know that early life is a time when the physical immaturity of an organism is susceptible and responsive to a restricted but important class of stimuli. Because of its importance many studies have focused their efforts on the first few months of life.

Newborn pups are uniquely different than adults in several respects. When born their eyes are closed and their digestive system has a limited capacity requiring periodic stimulation by their dam who routinely licks them in order to promote digestion. At this age they are only able to smell, suck, and crawl. Body temperature is maintained by snuggling close to their mother or by crawling into piles with other littermates. During these first few weeks of immobility researchers noted that these immature and under-developed canines are sensitive to a restricted class of stimuli which includes thermal, and tactile stimulation, motion and locomotion.

Other mammals such as mice and rats are also born with limitations and they also have been found to demonstrate a similar sensitivity to the effects of early stimulation. Studies show that removing them from their nest for three minutes

each day during the first five to ten days of life causes body temperatures to fall below normal. This mild form of stress is sufficient to stimulate hormonal, adrenal and pituitary systems. When tested later as adults, these same animals were better able to withstand stress than littermates who were not exposed to the same early stress exercises. As adults, they responded to stress in "a graded" fashion, while their non-stressed littermates responded in an "all or nothing way."

Data involving laboratory mice and rats also shows that stress in small amounts can produce adults who respond maximally. On the other hand, the results gathered from non-stressed littermate show that they become easily exhausted and would near death if exposed to intense prolonged stress. When tied down so they were unable to move for twenty-four hours, rats developed severe stomach ulcers, but litter mates exposed to early stress handling were found to be more resistant to stress tests and did not show evidence of ulcers. A secondary affect was also noticed.

Sexual maturity was attained sooner in the littermates given early stress exercises. When tested for differences in health and disease, the stressed animals were found to be more resistant to certain forms of cancer and infectious diseases and could withstand terminal starvation and exposure to cold for longer periods than their non-stressed littermates. Other studies involving early stimulation exercises have been successfully performed on both cats and dogs. In these studies, the Electrical Encephalogram (EEG) was found to be ideal for measuring the electrical activity in the brain because of its extreme sensitivity to changes in ex-

citement, emotional stress, muscle tension, changes in oxygen and breathing. EEG measures show that pups and kittens when given early stimulation exercises mature at faster rates and perform better in certain problem solving tests than non-stimulated mates. In the higher level animals the effect of early stimulation exercises have also been studied. The use of surrogate mothers and familiar objects were tested by both of the Kelloggs' and Dr. Yearkes using young chimpanzees. Their pioneer research shows that the more primates were deprived of stimulation and interaction during early development, the less able they were to cope, adjust and later adapt to situations as adults.

While experiments have not yet produced specific information about the optimal amounts of stress needed to make young animals psychologically or physiologically superior, researches agree that stress has value. What also is known is that a certain amount of stress for one may be too intense for another, and that too much stress can retard development. The results show that early stimulation exercises can have positive results but must be used with caution. In other words, too much stress can cause pathological adversities rather than physical or psychological superiority.

#### Methods of Stimulation

The U.S. Military in their canine program developed a method that still serves as a guide to what works. In an effort to improve the performance of dogs used for military purposes, a program called "Bio Sensor" was developed. Later, it became known to the public as the "Super Dog" Program. Based on years of research, the military learned that early neurological stimulation exercises could have important and lasting effects. Their studies con-

firmed that there are specific time periods early in life when neurological stimulation has optimum results. The first period involves a window of time that begins at the third day of life and lasts until the sixteenth day. It is believed that because this interval of time is a period of rapid neurological growth and development, and therefore is of great importance to the individual.

The "Bio Sensor" program was also concerned with early neurological stimulation in order to give the dog a superior advantage. Its development utilized six exercises which were designed to stimulate the neurological system. Each workout involved handling puppies once each day. The workouts required handling them one at a time while performing a series of five exercises. Listed in order of preference the handler starts with one pup and stimulates it using each of the five exercises. The handler completes the series from beginning to end before starting with the next pup. The handling of each pup once per day involves the fol-



1. Tactile stimulation – Holding the pup in one hand, the handler gently stimulates (tickles) the pup between the toes on any one foot using a Q-tip. It is not necessary to see that the pup is feeling the tickle. Time of stimulation 3 - 5 seconds.

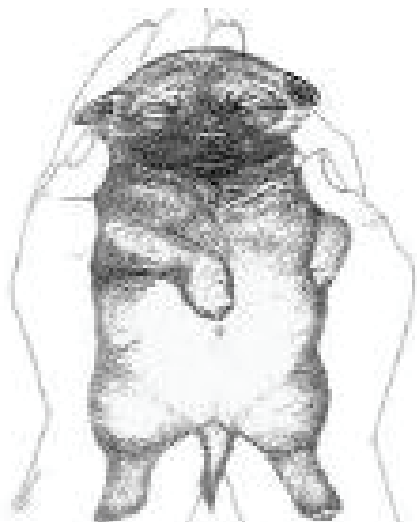


2. Head held erect - Using both hands, the pup is held perpendicular to the ground, (straight up), so that its head is directly above its tail. This is an upwards position. Time of stimulation 3 - 5 seconds

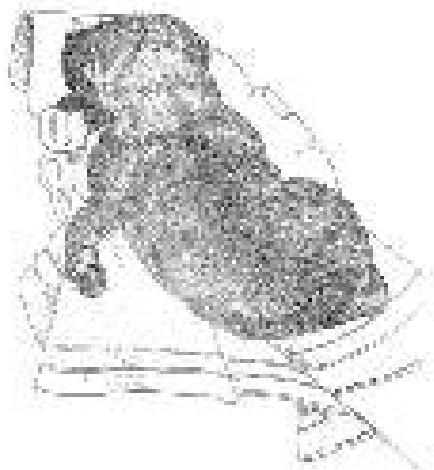


3. Head pointed down – Holding the pup firmly with both hands the head is reversed and is pointed downward so that it is pointing towards the ground. Time of stimulation 3 - 5 seconds

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4. Supine position – Hold the pup so that its back is resting in the palm of both hands with its muzzle facing the ceiling. The pup while on its back is allowed to sleep struggle. Time of stimulation 3-5 seconds.



5. Thermal stimulation – Use a damp towel that has been cooled in a refrigerator for at least five minutes. Place the pup on the towel, feet down. Do not restrain it from moving. Time of stimulation 3-5 seconds.

lowing exercises:

Tactical stimulation (between toes)

Head held erect

Head pointed down

Supine position

## Thermal stimulation

These five exercises will produce neurological stimulations, none of which naturally occur during this early period of life. Experience shows that sometimes pups will resist these exercises, others will appear unconcerned. In either case a caution is offered to those who plan to use them. Do not repeat them more than once per day and do not extend the time beyond that recommended for each exercise. Over stimulation of the neurological system can have adverse and detrimental results. These exercises impact the neurological system by kicking it into action earlier than would be normally expected. The result being an increased capacity that later will help to make the difference in its performance. Those who play with their pups and routinely handle them should continue to do so because the neurological exercises are not substitutions for routine handling, play socialization or bonding.

## Benefits of Stimulation

Five benefits have been observed in canines that were exposed to the Bio Sensor stimulation exercises. The benefits noted were:

Improved cardio vascular performance (heart rate)

Stronger heart beats

Stronger adrenal glands

More tolerance to stress and

Greater resistance to disease.

In tests of learning, stimulated pups were found to be more active and were more exploratory than their non-stimulated littermates over which they were dominant in competitive situations.

Secondary effects were also noted regarding test performance. In simple problem solving tests using detours in a maze, the non-stimulated pups became extremely aroused,

wined a great deal, and made many errors. Their stimulated littermates were less disturbed or upset by test conditions and when comparisons were made, the stimulated littermates were more calm in the test environment, made fewer errors and gave only an occasional distress when stressed.

## Socialization

As each animal grows and develops three kinds of stimulation have been identified that impact and influence how it will develop and be shaped as an individual. The first stage is called early neurological stimulation, and the second stage is called socialization. The first two (early neurological stimulation and socialization) have in common a window of limited time. When Lorenz, (1935) first wrote about the importance of the stimulation process he wrote about imprinting during early life and its influence on the later development of the individual. He states that it was different from conditioning in that it occurred early in life and took place very rapidly producing results which seemed to be permanent. One of the first and perhaps the most noted research efforts involving the larger animals was achieved by Kellogg & Kellogg (1933). As a student of Dr. Kellogg's I found him and his wife to have an uncanny interest in children and young animals and the changes and the differences that occurred during early development. Their history making study involved raising their own new born child with a new born primate. Both infants were raised together as if they were twins. This study like others that would follow attempted to demonstrate that among the mammals there are great differences in their speed of physical and mental development. Some are born relatively mature and quickly capable of motion and locomotion,

while others are very immature, immobile and slow to develop. For example, the Rhesus monkey shows rapid and precocious development at birth, while the chimpanzee and the other "great apes" take much longer. Last and slowest is the human infant.

One of the earliest efforts to investigate and look for the existence of socialization in canines was undertaken by Scott-Fuller (1965). In their early studies they were able to demonstrate that the basic technique for testing the existence of socialization was to show how readily adult animals would foster young animals, or accept one from another species. They observed that with the higher level animals it is easiest done by hand rearing. When the foster animal transfers its social relationships to the new species, researchers conclude that socialization has taken place. Most researchers agree that among all species, a lack of adequate socialization generally results in unacceptable behavior and often times produces undesirable aggression, excessiveness, fearfulness, sexual inadequacy, and indifference toward partners.

Socialization studies confirm that the critical periods for humans (infant) to be stimulated are generally between three weeks and twelve months of age. For canines the period is shorter, between the fourth and sixteenth week of age. During these critical time periods two things can go wrong. First, insufficient social contact can interfere with proper emotional development which can adversely affected the development of the human bond. The lack of adequate social stimulation, such as handling, mothering and contact with others, adversely affects social and psychological development.

Second, over mothering can prevent sufficient exposure to other individuals, and situations that have

an important influence on growth and development. The literature shows that humans and animals respond in similar ways when denied minimal amounts of stimulation. In humans, the absence of love and cuddling increases the risk of an aloof, distant, asocial or sociopathic individual. Over mothering can also have its detrimental effects. It occurs when a patient insulates the child from outside contacts, or keeps the apron strings tight, thus limiting opportunities to explore and interact. In the end, over mothering generally produces a dependent, socially maladjusted and sometimes emotionally disturbed individual.

The absence of outside social interactions for both children and pups usually results in a lack of adequate learning and social adjustment. Protected youngsters who grow up in an insulated environment often times become sickly, despondent, lacking in flexibility and unable to make simple social adjustments. Generally, they are unable to function productively or to interact successfully then they become adults.

Owners who have busy life styles with long and tiring work and social schedules often times cause pets to be neglected. Left to themselves with only an occasional trip out of the house or off of the property they seldom see other canines or strangers and generally suffer from poor stimulation and socialization. For many, the side effects of loneliness and boredom set-in. The resulting behavior manifests itself in the form of chewing, digging, and hard to control behavior (Battaglia).

It seems clear that small amounts of stress followed by early socialization can produce beneficial results. The danger seems to be in not knowing where the thresholds are for over and under stimulation. Many improperly socialized young-

sters develop into older individuals unprepared for adult life, unable to cope with its challenges, and interactions. Attempts to re-socialize them when adults have only produced small gains. These failures confirm the notion that the window of time open for early neurological and social stimulation only comes once. After it passes, little or nothing can be done to overcome the negative effects of too much or too little stimulation.

The third and final stage in the process of growth and development is

called enrichment. Unlike the first two stages it has no time limit and by comparison covers a very long period of time. Enrichment is a term which has come to mean the positive sum of experiences, which have a cumulative effect upon the individual. Enrichment experiences typically involve exposure to a wide variety of interesting, novel, and exciting experiences with regular opportunities to freely investigate, manipulate, and interact with them. When measured in later life, the results show that those reared in an enriched environment tend to be more inquisitive and are more able to perform difficult tasks. The educational TV program called Sesame Street is perhaps the best known example of a children's enrichment program. The results show that when tested, children who regularly watched this program performed better than playmates who did not. Follow up studies show that those who regularly watched Sesame tend to seek a college education and when enrolled, performed better than playmates who were not regular watchers of the Sesame Street Program.

There are numerous children studies that show the benefits of enrichment techniques and programs. Most focus on

improving self-esteem and self-talk. Follow up studies show that the enriched Sesame Street students when later tested were brighter and scored above average and most often were found to be the products of environments that contributed to their superior test scores. On the other hand, those whose test scores were generally below average, (labeled as dull) and the products of underprivileged or non-enriched environments often times had little or only small amounts of stimulation during early childhood and only minimal amounts of enrichment during their developmental and formative years. Many were characterized as children who grew up with little interaction with others, poor parenting, few toys, no books and a steady diet of TV soap operas.

A similar analogy can be found among canines. All the time they are growing they are learning because their nervous systems are developing and storing information that may be of inestimable use at a later date. Studies by Scott and Fuller confirm that non-enriched pups when given free choice preferred to stay in their kennels. Other litter mates who were given only small amounts of outside stimulation between five and eight weeks of age were found to be very inquisitive and very active. When kennel doors were left open, the enriched pups would come bounding out while littermates who were not exposed to enrichment would remain behind. The non-stimulated pups would typically be fearful of unfamiliar objects and generally preferred to withdraw rather than investigate. Even well bred pups of superior pedigrees would not explore or leave their kennels and many were found difficult to train as adults. These pups in many respects were similar to the deprived children. They acted as if they had

become institutionalized, preferring the routine and safe environment of their kennel to the stimulating world outside their immediate place of residence.

Regular trips to the park, shopping centers and obedience and agility classes serve as good examples of enrichment activities. Chasing and retrieving a ball on the surface seems to be enriching because it provides exercise and includes rewards. While repeated attempts to retrieve a ball provide much physical activity, it should not be confused with enrichment exercises. Such playful activities should be used for exercise and play or as a reward after returning from a trip or training session. Road work and chasing balls are not substitutes for trips to the shopping mall, outings or obedience classes most of which provide many opportunities for interaction and investigation.

Finally it seems clear that stress early in life can produce beneficial results. The danger seems to be in not knowing where the thresholds are for over and under stimulation. However, the absence or the lack of adequate amounts of stimulation generally will produce negative and undesirable results. Based on the above it is fair to say that the performance of most individuals can be improved including the techniques described above. Each contributes in a cumulative way and supports the next stage of development.

### **Conclusion**

Breeders can now take advantage of the information available to improve and enhance performance. Generally, genetics account of about 35% of the performance but the remaining 65% (management, training, nutrition) can make the difference. In the management category it has been shown that breeders should be guided by

the rule that it is generally considered prudent to guard against under and over stimulation. Short of ignoring pups during their first two months of life, a conservative approach would be to expose them to children, people, toys and other animals on a regular basis. Handling and touching all parts of their anatomy is also necessary to learn as early as the third day of life. Pups that are handled early and on a regular basis, generally do not become hand shy as adults.

Because of the risks involved in under stimulation a conservative approach to using the benefits of the three stages has been suggested based primarily on the works of Arskeusky, Kellogg, Yearkes and the "Bio Sensor" program (later known as the "Super Dog Program").

Both experience and research have dominated the beneficial effects that can be achieved via early neurological stimulation, socialization and enrichment experiences.



A butcher is working, and really busy. He notices a dog in his shop and shoos him away. Later, he notices the dog is back again.

He walks over to the dog, and notices the dog has a note in his mouth. The butcher takes the note, and it reads, "Can I have 12 sausages and a leg of lamb, please."

The butcher looks, and lo and behold, in the dog's mouth there is a ten dollar bill. So the butcher takes the money, puts the sausages and lamb in a bag, and places it in the dog's mouth.

The butcher is very impressed, and since it's closing time, he decides to close up shop and follow the dog. So, off he goes.

The dog is walking down the street and comes to a crossing. The dog puts down the bag, jumps up and presses the crossing button. Then he waits patiently, bag in mouth, for the lights to change. It does, and he walks across the road, with the butcher following.

The dog then comes to a bus stop, and starts looking at the timetable. The butcher is in awe at this stage. The dog checks out the times, and sits on one of the seats to wait for the bus.

Along comes a bus. The dog goes and looks at the number, notices it's the right bus, and climbs on. The butcher, by now open-mouthed, follows him onto the bus.

The bus travels through town and out to the suburbs. Eventually the dog gets up, moves to the front of the bus, and standing on his hind legs, pushes the button to stop the bus. The dog gets off, groceries still in his mouth, and the butcher still following.

They walk down the road, and the dog approaches a house. He walks up the path, and drops the groceries on the step. Then he walks back down the path, takes a big run, and throws himself -whap!- against the door. He goes back down the path, takes another run, and throws himself -whap!- against the door again!

There's no answer at the door, so the dog goes back down the path, jumps up on a narrow wall, and walks along the perimeter of the garden. He gets to a window, and bangs his head against it several times. He walks back, jumps off the wall, and waits at the door. The butcher watches as a big guy opens the door, and starts laying into the dog, really yelling at him.

The butcher runs up and stops the guy. "What the heck are you doing? This dog is a genius. He could be on TV!"

To which the guy responds, "Clever, my eye. This is the second time this week he's forgotten his key!"



# Win\*Place\*Show\*Brag



Our June program was dedicated to Lois for breeding 7 Champions in one litter. We honored Lois and listened to her discuss this record breaking accomplishment. This has never happened before, and is a first for the German Shepherd breed. We invited all members of the club and friends of Lois to come and participate in the celebration of this great feat. Tally (the mother) was present to take part in the celebration. Lois bred her bitch CH Chlo-maxsi's Talitha V D and L ROM CD TT OFA to CH Windwalker's Jolly Roger to get this fantastic litter! See the 1998 RED BOOK, Pages 140 & 141 for more details of this breeding.

# Win\*Place\*Show\*Brag



These pictures were taken at our June Regular Club meeting by Steve Dobbins on his cam-corder, pretty awesome pictures if you ask me. Hopefully this black and white print does them justice. The pictures are of Lois O'Connor with her litter that has 7 champions. I think this topic was on the big list a bit ago. Anyhow.....there are two dogs missing, one passed away and the other didn't come.

# Win\*Place\*Show\*Brag

*I am on a german shepherd list (no, besides the showgsd list) and I'm allowed to post pictures there. I sent the pictures that Steve Dobbins took with his camcorder of Lois and her dogs and here are the responses I received about the pictures:*

"WOW I love these pictures, not only is it impressive about all the dogs that finished their Championships, but just looking at the dogs themselves show a definite type/resemblance's to each other. You can tell the quality is consistent."

"Awesome, simply awesome. This is something we will probably never totally comprehend. Congratulations to her for this fabulous breeding."

"What a great bunch of photos. Thats quite a feat to get all those dogs behaving for the picture, let alone breeding that fantastic litter. Thanks for posting these."

"Not just the fabulous breeding -- but getting the dogs all shown and finished! That's something!!"

"What great pictures."

"Nice pics and did Lois repeat the breeding.??? Wow.. Very impressive litter!"

"Wow! What an accomplishment! Congrats to her!"

Frank's dog, Little Girl, jumped on the bed at 4:15 and licked his face till he woke up and would not let him alone. The lucky part of this is he was out of cigarettes and had to go out to his van for a pack. Normally he parks in back but because of unhooking his boat trailer, he left it in front. Coming back to house he saw the fire. Lightning had hit the house and the gas line and it was shooting flames. Of course, his first thought was it was outside my window so he came to wake me first. I never got out of bed so fast. Than he had the sense and guts to go out and turn off the gas tank. That's my boy. I heard on the news that there were quite a few homes hit last night. Thank God for large favors. Fran Foster



# Win\*Place\*Show\*Brag

I just got a phone call from a very excited Myra Shear...Today at the Deluth KC Monterey Jack V. Oh-My took a Major Reserve making Ch Hadori's Joan Rivers V Oh-My ROM. Joanie is out of Hadori's Xacta bred to 2x Am GV Campaigners Gatewood Uzi ROM. Way to go Myra and thank you.

Ricky Harrison

Brag-Rochill's Laila owned by Denise Feldhaus out of Ch Ja-Don's Rocky Marciano CD X Ch R&B's One Moment In Time of D&L got her second point out of 12-18 at the Danville shows. Julie Foster

DeRousse's Cut Loose Caralon got a 3 pt major at Sedalia K C going WB & Best of Winners under judge Linda Robey. Carl Foster showed Miss Lucy who now has 13 pts. Sire Ch Caralons Sword QED v Lebarland, dam Ch DeRousses Becca Faye Abbott CD, Judy DeRousse doing the Happy Dance!!!

Dyna (Judeen's Gift, Kodak's Dynamite) took a major reserve at St. Charles Kennel Club held at Purina Farms in May. That's a point for Tim Trapp's Ch Aztec Kodak. I'm sure Judy Deane was smiling. And I can hear Ron say, "Way to go Hot Rod." Terry Rock

Cimarron's Unchained Melody, GSD owned and bred by Steve Dobbins, went RWB out of the Bred-By class under judge Steven Gladstone at the Hawkeye Kennel Club on Sunday, June 24, 2001.

Cimarron's Mach One, GSD owned and bred by Steve Dobbins, went Reserve Winners Dog out of the Bred-By Exhibitor class at the Greater Muskegon KC on July 21, 2001 under judge JR White.



Cimarron's Margarita, GSD owned and bred by Steve Dobbins, went Reserve Hairless Bitch out of the Bred-By Exhibitor class at the Greater Muskegon KC on July 21, 2001 under judge JR White.

# Whelping Box

Whelped March 21, 2001  
Sire: CaralonQED Cutback Runner  
Dam: Caralon QED Dancing Queen OFA  
Three Bitches All Bi-Color, Palpated Excellent All Show Quality and Excellent Temperaments. Bred by Margaret O'Neill and Scootie Sherlock.  
Phone: 636-433-2653 Fax: 636-433-2039 Email: margogsd@yhiti.net  
Due 7-25-01 Champion WeLove DuChien's Robert CD, HIC, TC X Champion Langlitz's Once Upon A Time V D&L both parents are OFA'd H&E

## A DOG'S PRAYER

Treat me kindly, my beloved master, for no heart in all the world is more grateful for kindness than the loving heart of mine.

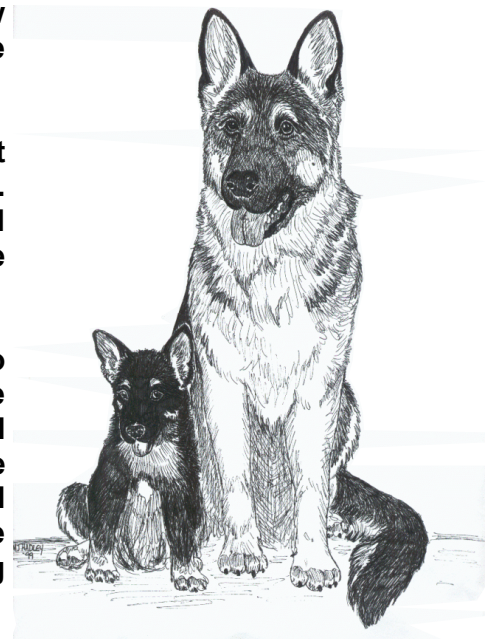
Do not break my spirit with a stick, for your patience and understanding will more quickly teach me the things you would have me do.

Speak to me often, for your voice is the world's sweetest music, as you must know by the fierce wagging of my tail when your footstep falls upon my waiting ear.

When it is cold and wet, take me inside, for I am now a domesticated animal, no longer used to bitter elements. And I ask no greater glory than the privilege of sitting at your feet. Though had you no home, I would rather follow you through ice and snow than rest upon the softest pillow in the warmest home in all the land, for you are my god and I am your devoted worshipper.

Keep my pan filled with fresh water, for although I should not reproach you were it dry, I cannot tell you when I suffer thirst. Feed me clean food, that I may stay well, to romp and play and do your bidding, to walk by your side, and stand ready and able to protect you with my life should your life be in danger.

And, BELOVED MASTER, should the GREAT MASTER see fit to deprive me of my sight, hearing and health, do not turn me away from you. Do not make heroic efforts to keep me going, I am not having any fun and I can no longer protect you. Hold me gently in your arms as skilled hands grant me the merciful boon of Eternal Rest. I shall leave this earth knowing with the last breath I draw, that my fate was always safest in your loving hands.



# Stud Dog Directory

## **Black Oak's Wiseguy v. Hadori**

OFA HIPS GS57521G29M-T, ELBOWS GSEL10625-T

Sire: Black Oak's De'Niro of Judeen OFA GS E44M-T

Dam: Hadori's Chattahoochee, Prelims Normal

Joey is a correct to the standard, masculine young dog (25 1/2" and 85 Pounds) Joey has alot to offer including a bold fearless temperament, iron back, beautiful black and red plush coat, and correctly angled shoulder (Seldom seen today). A two year old with valuable old blood lines. Including Select Champion Lothario of Heinerburg, CD ROM AOE, Select Champion Bel Vista's Joey Baby ROM, and is heavily line bred on Champion Kubistaum's Kane ROM. Whose phenotype he reflects. Available to approved bitches. Must provide negative brucellosis and vaginal culture – NO EXCEPTIONS. Photo/Pedigree and Terms by request.

## **Black Oak Shepherds**

Marcia Hadley and Gina Mills  
11753 Castle Ranch Road  
DeSoto, MO 63020  
636-337-6001

## **Jokare's Captain Hook V Blu Bella**

OFA HIPS GS-55182G24M-T

ELBOWS GS-EL9616-T

Sire: Schokrest Santa Cruz (Ch Pete/Schokrest Vision ROM)

Dam: Odds On Obie (Am BIF/Can BOF Am/Can Ch Woodsides Country Music OFA, CD, TC, HIC/Langlitz Pascha-Zeto Granddaughter)

Hook is an average size male, masculine head, large bone, plush, strong back, topline, powerful sidegait, very dark black and tan.

## **Jokare German Shepherds**

Karen Hynek  
171 Links Road  
Marthasville, MO 63357  
636-463-1302  
JokareGS@aol.com

## **CH Lin-Ter's Tiburon of Chablis'**

OFA GS57481G29M-T

EL10611-T

Sire: FV Sel.Ch. Aztec's Kodak OFA

Dam: Ch. Covy-Tucker Hill's Roma ROM TC OFA

LOUIE was Winners Dog and Select at the 1999 CANADIAN NATIONAL We are proud to announce LOUIE is 4th Top Stud Dog, 2000 FUTURITY SYSTEM. He will appear in this years RED BOOK.

**LeBarland GSD 636-398-5503**

## **Lytbar's Akecheta**

Sire: Ch Jodon's Viper V Hopson OFA

Dam: Ch Tartan's Rochill Georgie OFA

Lytbar's Akecheta (Warrior) is a Lothario and Zorba grandson, a black and red dog. He is OFA Good hips and elbows. He will be three years old on March 22nd and he has three points towards his championship. Warrior was proven on 10-31-99 when Champion Don Chris's TNT whelped 7 puppies, 4 males and 3 females.

## **Lytbar Kennel – Ken Hummel**

3666 Highway 30  
Lonedell, MO 63060  
636-629-2049  
Email: lytlbar@usmo.com

# Stud Dog Directory

## **Ch Majors Max of Jennbeau**

GS5I920G38M-T

GS-EL8223-T

Sire: Champion Caralon's Beau of Judeen ROM

Dam: Caralon's Jennabrix DeRousse C. D.

Max is a big boned, low stationed black and tan with a large masculine head. He carries the black recessive and has a good shoulder.

## **DeRousse Shepherds**

Judy DeRousse

817 Kleekamp Lane

Washington, MO 63090

636-390-2177

Email Address: jube@mail.usmo.com

## **Am/Can Ch Mari-Fiori's Bold Ruler Judeen OFA**

GS50384G25M-T MC, ELBOWS GSEL7590-T

Sire: Sel Am/Sel Can Ch Winning Way's Chimo OFA, H/E/T/Cx

Dam: Can Sel/Am Ch Mari-Fiori's Ruffian of Judeen, OFA, H/E/T/C HIC

Medium sized, extremely masculine bi-color, with noble head/expression. Carries (and produces) plush coat, high wither attached to a strong back and long saber tail. He produces his clean correct movement, nicely curved stifles and good forehands. Carries recessive for solid blacks. A young Champion, his pups are awesome!!

## **Mari-Fiori Shepherds – Marilee Wilkinson**

6647 Haven Hill

Barnhart, MO 63012

636-464-8494

Email: marifiori@webtv.net

## **Mari-Fiori's Cigar**

OFA HIPS GS54734G24M-T, ELBOWS GSEL9414-T

Sire: Sel Am/Sel Can Ch Winning Way's Chimo OFA, H/E/T/Cx

Dam: Can Sel/Am Ch Mari-Fiori's Ruffian of Judeen, OFA, H/E/T/C HIC

Large, balanced young dog with deep, rich pigment a sweet temperament and a great sense of humor. Cigar has a beautiful forehand and a powerful elastic side gait, a nice dark eye and full and correct dentition. He should provide improvement in size and masculinity, proper angle, lay back of shoulder and of course movement and temperament.

## **Dan and Liana New and Marilee Wilkinson**

707 Cheshire Road

Troy, IL 62294

618-667-7145 or 636-464-8494

Email: Liana@prodigy.net or marifiori@webtv.net

## **Schokrest Vermont**

OFA HIPS GS-55434E24M-T

ELBOWS GS-EL9729-T

Sire: Sel Ch Schokrest Denver OFA H/E

Dam: Schokrest Vogue OFA H/E

MONTY is a replica to his Father. Large Blk/Tan/Red male, masculine head, large bone, topline, strong back, very powerful sidegate. Monty has a very strong OFA background. Like his mother, he also OFA'd EXCELLENT!! Vogue is a full litter sister to Schokrest Vision, ROM. Monty does not carry the coat factor.

## **Jokare German Shepherds**

Karen Hynek

171 Links Road

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**Anndee Shepherds**  
**Ann Douglas**  
2801 Black Hills Court  
Imperial, MO 63052  
636-282-1070

Email: ANNDEEKAY@aol.com  
Puppies, Conformation Training  
(Junior in training)

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**Marcia Hadley and Gina Mills**  
11753 Castle Ranch Road  
DeSoto, MO 63020  
636-337-6001  
Puppies, Stud Services,  
Handler

**Caralon/QED**  
**Helen "Scootie" Sherlock**  
**Larry Durbeck**  
451 C.T. Farm Road  
Labadie, MO 63055  
636-451-5432  
Puppies, Adults, Stud Services

**Chlomaxsi**  
**John and Nancy LaFata**  
2254 Branch Road  
Fenton, MO 63026  
636-225-7283  
Puppies, Adults,  
Stud Services

**Cimarron Shepherd's**  
**Steve Dobbins**  
7201 State Road C  
Fulton, MO 65251  
573-642-0623  
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**Judy DeRousse**  
817 Kleekamp Lane  
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636-390-2177  
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**DnL**  
**Lois O'Connor**  
412 Kinswood Lane  
St. Louis, MO 63129  
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Puppies, Adults, Stud Services,  
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**Edgewood Kennels**  
**Ron and Gail Rutter**  
20983 Pike 307  
Bowling Green, MO 63334  
573-324-2240  
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**Forest Knoll Shepherds**  
**Herman "Butch" and Gail Stieffer-**  
**man**  
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**Robert's German Shepherds**  
**Dwayne Roberts**  
304 West Zupan Street  
Maryville, IL 62062  
618-345-6297  
Puppies, Stud Service

**Hadori German Shepherds**  
**Ricky and Greg Harrison**  
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Email: [Hadori@webtv.net](mailto:Hadori@webtv.net)

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**RR Bar Ranch Shepherds**  
**Rosalind North & Family**  
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## THE RULES (CAT VERSION)

**BATHROOMS** - Always accompany guests to the bathroom. It is not necessary to do anything. Just sit and stare.

**DOORS** - Do not allow any closed doors in any room. To get the door open, stand on hind legs and hammer with forepaws. Once door is opened, it is not necessary to use it. After you have ordered an "outside" door opened, stand halfway in and out and think about several things. This is particularly important during very cold weather, rain, snow, or mosquito season.

**CHAIRS AND RUGS** - If you have to throw up, get to a chair quickly. If you cannot manage in time, get to an Oriental rug. If there is no Oriental rug, shag is good. When throwing up on the carpet, make sure you back up so it's as long as a humans bare foot.

**HAMPERING** - If one of your humans is engaged in some activity, and the other is idle, stay with the busy one. This is called "helping," otherwise known as "hampering." Following are the rules for hampering:

- a. When supervising cooking, sit just behind the left heel of the cook. You cannot be seen and thereby stand a better chance of being stepped on and then picked up and comforted.
- b. For book readers, get in close under the chin, between eyes and book -- unless you can lie across the book itself.
- c. When human is working at computer, jump up on desk, walk across keyboard, bat at mouse pointer on screen, and then lay in human's lap across arms, hampering typing in progress.

**WALKING** - As often as possible, dart quickly and as close as possible in front of the human, especially: on stairs, when they have something in their arms, in the dark, and when they first get up in the morning. This will help their coordination skills.

**BEDTIME** - Always sleep on the human at night so he/she cannot move around.

**LITTER BOX** - When using the litter box, be sure to kick as much litter out of the box as possible. Humans love the feel of kitty litter between their toes.

**HIDING** - Every now and then, hide in a place where the humans cannot find you. Do not come out for three to four hours under any circumstances. This will cause the humans to panic (which they love) thinking that you have run away or are lost. Once you do come out, the humans will cover you with love and kisses, and you probably will get a treat.

**ONE LAST THOUGHT** - Whenever possible, get close to a human, especially their face, turn around, and present your butt to them. Humans love this.....

**LEASH:** A strap which attaches to your collar, enabling you to lead your person where you want him/her to go.

**DOG BED:** any soft, clean surface, such as the white bedspread in the guest room or the newly upholstered couch in the living room.

**DROOL:** Is what you do when your persons have food and you don't. To do this properly you must sit as close as you can and look sad and let the drool fall to the floor, or better yet, on their laps.

**SMIFF:** A social custom to use when you greet other dogs. Place your nose as close as you can to the other dog's rear end and inhale deeply, repeat several times, or until your person makes you stop.

**GARBAGE CAN:** A container which your neighbors put out once a week to test your ingenuity. You must stand on your hind legs and try to push the lid off with your nose. If you do it right you are rewarded with margarine wrappers to shred, beef bones to consume and moldy crusts of bread.

**BICYCLES:** Two-wheeled exercise machines, invented for dogs to control body fat. To get maximum aerobic benefit, you must hide behind a bush and dash out, bark loudly and run alongside for a few yards; the person then swerves and falls into the bushes, and you prance away.

**DEAFNESS:** This is a malady which affects dogs when their person want them in and they want to stay out. Symptoms include staring blankly at the person, then running in the opposite direction, or lying down.

**THUNDER:** This is a signal that the world is coming to an end. Humans remain amazingly calm during thunderstorms, so it is necessary to warn them of the danger by trembling uncontrollably, panting, rolling your eyes wildly, and following at their heels.

**WASTEBASKET:** This is a dog toy filled with paper, envelopes, and old candy wrapper. When you get bored, turn over the basket and strew the papers all over the house until your person comes home

**SOFAS:** Are to dogs like napkins are to people. After eating it is polite to run up and down the front of the sofa and wipe your whiskers clean.

**BATH:** This is a process by which the humans drench the floor, walls and themselves. You can help by shaking vigorously and frequently.

**LEAN:** Every good dogs response to the command "sit !", especially if your person is dressed for an evening out. Incredibly effective before black-tie events.

**BUMP:** The best way to get your human's attention when they are drinking a fresh cup of coffee or tea.

**GOOSE BUMP:** A maneuver to use as a last resort when the Regular Bump doesn't get the attention you require.....especially effective when combined with The Sniff. See above.

**LOVE:** Is a feeling of intense affection, given freely and without restriction. The best way you can show your love is to wag your tail. If you're lucky, a human will love you in return.

*I explained it to St. Peter, I'd rather stay here Outside the pearly gate. I won't be a nuisance, I won't even bark, I'll be very patient and wait, I'll be here, chewing on a celestial bone, No matter how long you may be. I'd miss you so much, if I went in alone, It wouldn't be heaven for me.*

*One reason a dog is such a comfort When you are downcast Is that he doesn't ask to know why.*

*A dog can express more with his tail in minutes, than his owner can express with his tongue in hours.*

*When a dog wags his tail and barks at the same time, how do you know which end to believe?*

*A watchdog is a dog kept to guard your home, usually by sleeping where a burglar would awaken the household by falling over him.*

*Every dog isn't a growler, and every growler isn't a dog.*

*A dog's bark may be worse than his bite, but everyone prefers his bark.*