

Wag 'N' Tongue

A publication for the **German Shepherd Dog Club of St. Louis, Inc.**

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Club Hot Line (314)-319-8485
Club Web Site Address: http://www.gsdcstl.org/

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 individual.

To be considered for membership, turn in an application. Yearly dues (\$20 for individuals & \$30 for families) must accompany application.

Meeting Information

Meetings begin at 8 pm on the third Friday of each month at the American Kennel Club *Museum of the Dog,* 1721 S. Mason Road in Queeny Park, home of the Museum. It is accessible from Interstate 40/64 at the Mason Rd. exit or from I-270 by taking the Manchester exit to Mason Road.

Sunday, September 13, 2015 Annual K-9 Awards.

This activity has been cancelled.



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 - Regular Club Meeting at 8:00 P.M.

at the *American Kennel Club Museum of the Dog* (1721 S. Mason

Rd.) BOARD MEETING AT 7 PM



German Shepherd Dog Club of St. Louis, Inc.

Obedience and Rally Trials

will be held on
Wednesday, October 14, 2015
at Purina Farms in Gateway Hall.
We need every club member to volunteer to help
with these events.

Please call Larry Duerbeck to let him know when you can be there to participate (you don't have to be there all day, a few hours would be very much appreciated!)

2015 German Shepherd Dog Club of America National Specialty Show

October 9 thru 17, 2015 at Purina Farms in Gray Summit, MO. Our club needs to help with Judge Hospitality and Transportation. Volunteers are needed!

2015 German Shepherd Dog Club of America

Sieger Show

October 16-18, 2015 at Purina Farms in Gray Summit, MO

Our club needs to help with Judge Hospitality and Transportation. **Volunteers are needed!**

GSDCA TEMPERAMENT TEST

on TUESDAY AT THE NATIONAL.10/13/15 from 9 am to 2 pm. PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP PUT ON THIS EVENT. On-the-job training – you don't need any previous experience!

AKC SANCTIONED "B" MATCH

DATE: Sunday, October 4, 2015

LOCATION: Ferd Lang Park

1838 Old Lemay Ferry Rd, Arnold, MO 63010

HOURS: 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Judging at 11:00 AM

JUDGE: Greg Harrison

Pre-entries until Sept. 30, 2015, are \$10.00. Day of match entry taken from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM are \$15.00. Make checks payable to GSDC of St. Louis, Inc. and MAIL TO:

MATCH SECRETARY Kathy Redford 13939 Mt. Olive Rd DeSoto, MO 63020

CLASSES FOR DOGS & BITCHES

Puppies: 3-6 months, 6-9 months, 9-12 months Adults: Bred By Exhibitor, American Bred, Open. Puppies will not compete against adults. No majorpointed dogs, please. *Handlers welcome*.

Join us for our famous "After-Match" Potluck Lunch

MATCH CHAIR: Marcia Hadley



GSD Standard

Transmission The typical smooth, flowing gait is maintained with great strength and firmness of back. The whole effort of the hindquarter is transmitted to the forequarter through the loin, back and withers. (continued)

GSDC of St. Louis, Inc. Gail Rutter, Editor 13468 Pike 43 Bowling Green, MO 63334 At full trot, the back must remain firm and level without sway, roll, whip or roach. Unlevel topline with withers lower than the hip is a fault. To compensate for the forward motion imparted by the hindquarters, the shoulder should open to its full extent. The forelegs should reach out close to the ground in a long stride in harmony with that of the hindquarters. The dog does not track on widely separated parallel lines, but brings the feet inward toward the middle line of the body when trotting, in order to maintain balance. The feet track closely but do not strike or cross over. Viewed from the front, the front legs function from the shoulder joint to the pad in a straight line. Viewed from the rear, the hind legs function from the hip joint to the pad in a straight line. Faults of gait, whether from front, rear or side, are to be considered very serious faults.

Disqualifications

CROPPED OR HANGING EARS
DOGS WITH NOSES NOT PREDOMINANTLY BLACK.
UNDERSHOT JAW.
DOCKED TAIL.
WHITE DOGS.
ANY DOG THAT ATTEMPTS TO BITE THE JUDGE.

http://gsdcstl.org/html/breed standard.html



As I was watching a dog chase his tail, I thought, "Dogs are easily amused." Then, I realized I was watching the dog chasing his tail.

ROSTER

The Club Roster will be available for pick up at our September 18th club meeting. If you don't pick it up then, it will be mailed to you.

As a reminder, club dues are **Due by March 1st each year.**