

GSDC of Atlanta

February 2024



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President's Message

Happy Valentines Day!

The weather this last month has been insane with extreme cold and a lot of rain! I am looking forward to springtime, dog shows, and playing outside with our dogs.

Speaking of dog shows, I hope everyone is making plans to attend our shows with the GSDC of North Georgia. The combined shows are at Etowah River Park in Canton, GA. See details below:

Friday PM, April 19	NGA	Judge Carmen Battaglia
Saturday AM, April 20	NGA	Judge Randy Darnell
Saturday PM, April 20	ATL	Judge Ellen Migliore
Sunday AM, April 21	ATL	Judge Ken Rayner

The Premium List is now available and has been emailed to all club members. We have also posted it on our club website, and Facebook page. Please help us get the word out. You can “share” this event from the parent site (GSDCA), link on page 7 with show details.

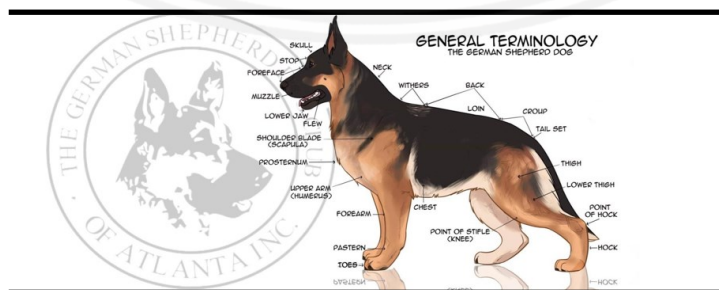
Big thanks to the folks that have already reached out to volunteer with the shows. We still have spots to fill, so please contact Ren renlewis1@gmail.com or Tanya tanjoshrop@msn.com. It takes a lot of folks to pull off successful shows. The more folks that help, the easier and more enjoyable it is for everyone. Trophy/prize donations are coming in slowly so please don't delay in sending in your much appreciated donations!

Morgan



Articles of Incorporation Of The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc.

- I. The name of the corporation is: "THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF ATLANTA, INC."
- II. The corporation shall have perpetual duration.
- III. The corporation is organized for the following purposes:
 - a. To encourage and promote the intelligent and selective breeding of purebred German Shepherd dogs and to do all possible to bring their qualities to perfection and encourage scientific research for the improvement of the breed.
 - b. To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by upholding the standard of the German Shepherd dog as described by the American Kennel Club and by encouraging members to support competition at conformation dog shows and obedience trials through entries, sportsmanship, and other means of suitable nature.
 - c. To educate the public generally as to the uses, habits, characteristics, advantages, training, care, companionship and treatment of German Shepherd dogs.
 - d. The corporation is not organized and shall not be operated for pecuniary gain or profit. No part of the property of the corporation and no profit if its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of the director or any other private individual. The corporation shall never be authorized to engage in a regular business of a kind ordinarily carried on for profit or in any other activity except in furtherance of the purposes stated above, for which the corporation is organized. The corporation shall never be authorized to engage in any business which may preclude its exemption under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, Section 501 (c), as amended.
- IV. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The method of election of directors shall be as determined by the by-laws of the corporation.
- V. The initial registered office of the corporation created.
- VI. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of nine (9) members.
- VII. Membership in the corporation shall be determined as follows:
 - a. A prerequisite for membership is an interest in the German Shepherd dog with expressed intention to uphold the intents, purposes, and objects of the corporation as set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. Any worthy person, sixteen (16) years of age or older, may apply for membership as provided in the by-laws.
 - b. There shall be four classes of membership in The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc.: (1) active; (2) associate; (3) life; (4) honorary. Qualifications for the various classes of membership are provided in the by-laws.





Who are We?

The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc. is a nonprofit organization chartered in Georgia in 1974. Our club objectives are to uphold the intents and purposes as stated in the Articles of Incorporation, and to conduct sanctioned and licensed specialty shows and all AKC events for which the Club is eligible under the rules of the American Kennel Club. Further, to conduct approved GSDCA -WDA events under the authority, rules and regulations of the German Shepherd Dog Club of America Working Dog Association, Inc.



Our purpose is to advocate for the breed; through programs and activities members learn about all aspects of the German Shepherd Dog, including mental and physical development; the breed standard, working ability, breeding, care and rearing of puppies.



The GSDC of Atlanta is one of the many registered clubs in America who are part of the breed parent club, the German Shepherd Dog Club of America (GSDCA). These clubs are split into 7 different regions, where we reside in the Southeast Region.



**Next Club Meeting
February
Thursday 02/08/2024**

Members -

We'll likely have our next meeting by phone on the 8th.

With it getting dark earlier this time of the year, this will help more of us gather safely to go over all important items in the coming months.

The Club will email members with the call-in details prior to the meeting. Please keep an eye out for that email. Let us know if you have any questions.



2024 Show Updates:

Show Committee

- **Show Chair:** Ren Lewis
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7555 renlewis1@gmail.com
- **Co-Show Chair:** Tanya Jones 504-427-
8157 tanjoshrop@msn.com
- **Show Secretary:** Valerie Harrington
(708) 906-4803
valerieharrington123@gmail.com



Premium:

Get your entries in! Closes on April 3rd.

The premium for these shows can be found on the parent club site (GSDCA) below:

https://www.gsdca.org/events/gsdca-of-north-georgia-gsdca-of-atlantagsdca-of-southern-nh-2-669/?fbclid=IwAR2RaBf_-0jEw1ReNPoZJnFLYg-M3LK22qPUZI9gxy0jaE2pySKnNNzDbm9U

Dates & Location:

April 19-20 (Friday-Sunday)

Saturday PM show

Sunday AM Show

**Location: Etowah River Park,
Canton GA**

Trophy Donations:

Asking for your support towards Trophy Donations.
These funds help cover the cost of ribbons, rosettes, and trophies prizes.
Please donate what you can, any amount is truly appreciated!

If you would like to make a pledge at this time and provide the donation in person later, please let us know dollar amount.

To donate, you can send through Paypal or mail in a check. Paypal is the quickest and easiest way! Send to
treasatlgdclub@att.net

Or send a check to the following address and send us an email that its on the way. Make the check out to **GSDC of Atlanta**, with reference for *2024 trophy donation* and mail to Sara Wolfe, 3332 Ethan Dr. NE, Marietta, GA 30062

Volunteers:

Your time covering helps tremendously! Below are the initial tasks we need to cover. We ask you to look and see what you can pick up and manage. Please let Ren and/or Tanya know.



No experience/unsure? No problem! Help is what we need, and we can help guide how you can manage/plan the task at hand. Any new tasks we will communicate what remains uncovered.

Thursday—4/18/24	Setting Up	Multiple people needed
Friday-Sunday— 4.19/4.21	Selling Catalogues	<u>**pending**</u>
Sunday — 4/21/24	Hospitality/Breakfast	Lindsey
Times Pending	Airport: Judge Ellen Migliore	<u>**pending**</u>
N/A	Airport: Ken Rayner	Ken self driving
Saturday PM —4/20/24 Sunday AM — 4/21/24	Ring Steward Ring Steward	Mindi Chase Mindi Chase
Saturday PM —4/20/24 Sunday AM— 4/21/24	Assistance Ring Steward Assistance Ring Steward	Nancy Harper-Mulvaney Nancy Harper-Mulvaney
Sunday— 4/21/24	Break Down, trash pick up	Multiple people needed

Prior Club meeting:

January Club Meeting was held by phone on 01.11.2024. Topics discussed:

- Donations earned from Fast CAT weekend and where to donate
- April Show Status
- Fast CAT: November recap & updates on May2024 event
- Fit Dog - January & February trials
- New Memberships
- Club website updates

Next Meeting:

We'll likely have the February meeting as a call-in. This will help gather everyone together safely and coordinate for the upcoming shows.

Confirmation will be sent to members ahead of time.

Fit Dog Club

- The club's new banner was received! We'll have it with us on the next trial
- The next trial/walk will likely take place on one of the last two weekends of February. Final date and location will be sent out.

Shout Out:

Thank you to those who have contributed to this year's show so far!

- Judith Aguilar
- Marilyn Boretz
- Hilary Boretz
- Joye & Larry Evans
- Scott & Joanie Smith
- Tanya Jones
- Linda Waskan
- Justin Moore & Danial Picknell

New Membership

Applications:

Associate Membership

- Sandra Watson



Extract/Summary of Bylaws- Article II, Section 1:

(a) **ACTIVE MEMBERS** shall be individuals who subscribe to the club objectives and who have met the requirements of Bylaws. They are eligible to exercise all the privileges of membership with the exception of holding a Board of Directors position until those requirements have been met.

(b) **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS** shall be individuals who subscribe to the objectives of the club, but because of their place of

residence, cannot attend meetings or take part in club activities. They shall not be eligible to vote or hold office.

Past Month's Outings

January Trial

Bethel Park Loop

Gainesville, GA



It was a chilly but beautiful day for a trail. Thank you to the members and their dogs who came out for the first trial of 2024! And a big thank you to Holly & Jay who hosted lunch afterwards. Several members completed the remaining part of the Fit Dog Bronze level and earned their FITB title, congratulations!

3 club dogs: Maverick, Easter, Bailee & 1 dog from NGA: Amy

Puppy Practice

A fun afternoon of puppy practice with members and their puppies for their first conformation show in February.



Club Services

Breeder Referral



*"Find yourself a mentor and
then listen"*

Joye E.

Phone: (404) 391-1490

@Members—let Joye know if you're having puppies, planning a litter, or have a dog you want to place

@Prospective— feel free to reach out to Joye if you are looking for a GSD or have additional questions. More details can be found on our website at the following location:
<https://www.gsdcatlanta.org/whelpingbox.php>

Community!

Funs, friends and dogs...what more can you ask for!

We are like minded individuals that have great pride and respect for this breed.



Publications

Our newsletters and website offer advertising opportunities at affordable costs.

These outlets are a great way to connect with a larger audience from an established source.

If you and/or your business is interested in advertising possibilities, feel free to reach out.

Commercial Advertising Rates *

Size	Monthly Rate	Quartly Rate	Yearly Rate
Full Page	\$17.00	\$27.50	\$50.00
Half Page	\$10.00	\$22.50	\$32.50
Quarter Page	\$7.50	\$15.00	\$22.50
Business Card	\$5.00	\$7.50	\$12.50
3" Business Card	\$5.75	\$9.50	\$17.50
4" Business Card	\$6.75	\$11.00	\$22.50

Non-Commercial Advertising Rates *

	Members	Non-Members
Front Page	\$12.50	N/A
Back Cover	\$12.50	N/A
Stud Dog	\$6.00/yr	N/A
Breeder/Service	\$6.00/yr	N/A
Whelpng Box	1 Free Litter per/yr	N/A
Full Page	\$12.50	\$17.50
Half Page	\$7.50	\$12.50
Quarter Page	\$6.50	\$10.00



Club's Breeder Referral

I offer referrals towards our club members first. If I don't know of any club puppies, I offer names of others local to our area that I know offer a good dog and will stand behind their puppies. And I give no preferences to anyone – I try to be as unbiased as possible.

The below questions are based on my experience as a breeder and owner. My first dog purchase in 1968 was an inbred father/daughter litter, and he had the most titles of any dog in his 5-generation pedigree – a CDX. I will credit him with establishing my love of the breed and we had a lot of fun.

I joined the GSDC of Atlanta in 1972, moved out of the area and continued in obedience with my dogs until we moved back to Atlanta in 1984. I rejoined the club in 1988 after my old dogs had died and I purchased a puppy from Caralon Kennels.

I've had dogs that were shown in conformation, obedience, rally, herding, FastCat, and dabbled in tracking and nose work.

Members, keep me in the loop!
Let me know if you're having
puppies, planning a litter, or
have a dog you want to place.

Questions that I ask callers

Have you ever owned a GSD before

What area of town do you live in or does it matter how far away the puppy is located

Do you have a fenced yard or what is your exercise plan

Do you want a puppy or an older dog

What do you want to do with your dog – pet, show, performance, etc.

How did you find out about the club

Questions I advise callers to ask the person with puppies. Callers frequently know of "puppies" from a friend knows someone who has a litter.

What health screenings do the parents have, i.e. OFA, DM, etc.

Make sure you meet the dam of the puppies, if you don't like her leave

How old is the dam

Do they have both parents on site

I tell everyone that calls – your dog needs a job – if you don't give him one, they will make their own job.

Everyone has their own hot buttons and these are mine. I've been fortunate to have great mentors over the years. Scootie Sherlock of Caralon Kennels, was my first mentor and was always there for me even after I no longer had a dog from her bloodlines. Find yourself a mentor and then listen.

PUPPIES AVAILABLE

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Matchmaker's Top Gun V Heinerburg TC FCAT

OFA H/E CHIC



J'Kata Vom Marie Jones CAA DCAT CGC

OFA H/E



Puppies are well
socialized,
Confident with
amazing
temperaments!

DOB 09/09/2023

- DM Clear
- Vaccinated
- Microchipped
- Potty trained
- Crate trained

CONTACT

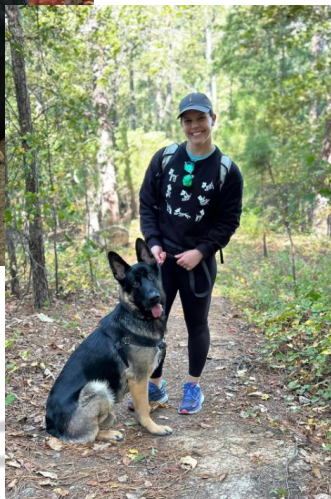
Tanya Jones
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cell 504-427-8157

Pedigrees available upon request.



Meet the Members

Lindsey — Raiden



Raiden a little over a year, first dog, first GSD. Excited about joining the club. Raiden came from Kaiserin Kennels.



Lisa—Luc, Meg, Lita, & Bazinga

Been in GSD s for 56 years and Luc's first litter born in January. 5 pups. Her bitch is getting ready to start shows. Also volunteers for parent club (store mgr).

Joline



Lives in Mississippi; planning for a couple of litters this year for guide dog organization. Obedience is her true love.

She is a CGC evaluator, and can evaluate some things virtually such as trick dog, and virtual home manners



Alice Lovejoy Carnahan
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*Illustrated nonfiction books about animals, chiefly
German Shepherds*

**Wolfsong in Georgia: Memoirs of a German Shepherd
Dog Family**

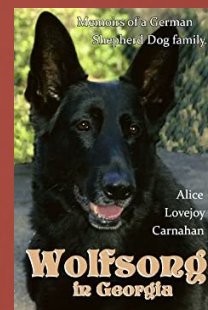
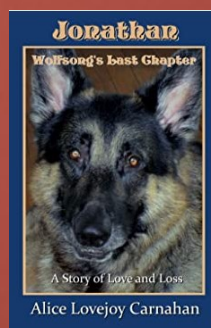
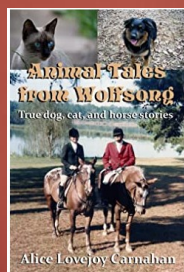
Animal Tales: True Dog, Cat and Horse Stories

Jonathan: A Story of Love and Loss

And coming next:

**Ty, A German Shepherd's Journey from Puppy Mill to
Performer**

All available on Amazon as
paperback and e-books



U.S. DOT Seeks to Again Collect Information on Incidents Involving Animals During Air Transport

[On the 24th], the United States **Department of Transportation** (DOT) published a notice seeking to reinstate a previously approved information collection request under its enforcement of the Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA). Interested parties are invited to provide comments to DOT through Monday, March 25, 2024.

BACKGROUND

Since 2005, federal regulations have required air carriers to file reports with DOT's Aviation Consumer Protection Division on the loss, injury, or death of animals during air transport.

Originally, the rule required only the largest U.S. air carriers (i.e., those that accounted for at least 1 percent of domestic scheduled passenger revenue) to report. However, in 2014, the rule was expanded to apply to U.S. air carriers that operate scheduled service with at least one aircraft with a design capacity of more than 60 seats. Additionally, the 2014 change (1) expanded the definition of "animal" to include all cats and dogs transported by covered carriers, regardless of whether the animal was shipped as a pet or as part of a commercial shipment; (2) required covered carriers to file a year-end report each December, which must include both (3) the total number of animals that were lost, injured, or died during air transport in the calendar year, and (4) the total number of animals transported in a calendar year.

Should the information collection request be formally renewed, DOT projects the approximately 30 covered carriers will spend 15 hours per year completing required year-end reports, and up to 360 hours per year completing monthly reporting requirements.

The information collection request that DOT is seeking to renew had been renewed in 2015 and 2018.

AKC & TRAVELING WITH DOGS

For many years, the American Kennel Club (AKC) has championed safe air travel for dogs. Resources include expert advice columns, materials to support the use of service dogs, systems to streamline the travel process for service dog users and air carriers, and legislative and regulatory advocacy to ensure safe air travel for all.

ABOUT PUBLIC COMMENTS TO DOT

DOT is seeking comments from the public on any aspect of this information collection, including:

- * Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for DOT's performance,
- * Whether the estimated reporting burden on covered carriers is accurate,
- * Ways for DOT to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collection, and
- * Ways the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

Interested parties may file comments identified by docket number DOT-OST-2010-0211 by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, D.C. 20590.
- Hand Delivery: U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Room W12-140, Washington, D.C. 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal Holidays.
- Fax: 202-493-2251

NOTE: You must include the agency name and docket number DOT-OST-2010- 0211 at the beginning of your comment. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE BELOW:

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What is a Therapy Dog?

December 2005 GSDC of Atlanta

Courtesy of Alice Carnahan

A therapy dog is a dog who, after being certified as suitable to do so, performs volunteer work at one or more facilities to which the registered therapy team has been invited, or with one or more individuals who have requested visits by a registered therapy dog team. The team consists of the dog and his/her owner or handler. There is never any charge for therapy dog visits.

Types of facilities which may welcome therapy dog visits include but are not limited to nursing homes, assisted living homes, hospitals, residential hospices, schools, and children's medical facilities. A therapy dog team never visits a facility or individual without prior permission.



Therapy dogs must have very sound personalities and be absolutely safe working with different types of people, and also need to get along well with other dogs. There are several different organizations that test and register or certify therapy dogs; each one has slightly different requirements. Most provide for insurance for the facility or the dog/handler team if all the organization's rules have been followed.

Therapy dogs may be any breed, or mixed breed dogs. They do not have to be registered with AKC or any similar registry. Although they should have had basic obedience

training, they are not required to have earned actual obedience titles. Virtually all therapy dog work is performed on leash. The owner/handler is required to keep a close eye on his/her dog at all times, for the benefit of the dog and also of the residents being visited. Jumping up on people or beds is not allowed. Most therapy dog organizations use the American Kennel Club's (AKC's) Canine Good Citizen test as the basis of their own tests. See www.akc.org, the section on Canine Good Citizen program, for a full description of what a dog must do to pass the CGC test. In general, a dog must have basic obedience training in order to pass, and must be well socialized with people of all ages, and with other dogs. In addition to the CGC requirements, many organizations will also test a dog's response to people using a walker or a wheelchair or lying in a hospital bed (usually volunteers role-play these situations). Some organizations require proof of completion of formal obedience training; many require a few supervised visits by approved evaluators after the dog passes the initial test, before full registration is granted. Each requires an annual fee for registration and renewal. Many have newsletters which they disseminate to members.

If you are considering becoming part of a registered therapy dog team, you should research different therapy dog certifying organizations and decide which one would suit you and your dog best. Some do not allow you to use treats during therapy dog visits; some require you to work as part of a team of volunteers and visit only pre-approved facilities on a pre-arranged schedule; some allow you to work on your own at any facility to which you are invited, on your own schedule. All require you and your dog to be clean and well groomed during all therapy dog visits.

BREED STANDARD

Coat & Color

The ideal dog has a double coat of medium length. The outer coat should be as dense as possible, hair straight, harsh and lying close to the body. A slightly wavy outer coat, often of wiry texture, is permissible. The head, including the inner ear and foreface, and the legs and paws are covered with short hair, and the neck with longer and thicker hair. The rear of the forelegs and hind legs has somewhat longer hair extending to the pastern and hock, respectively. Faults in coat include soft, silky, too long outer coat, woolly, curly, and open coat.



The German Shepherd Dog varies in color, and most colors are permissible. Strong rich colors are preferred. Pale, washed-out colors and blues or livers are serious faults. A white dog must be disqualified.



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UPCOMING
EVENTS



Just around the corner...

Check out the events taking place in Georgia on the next page. Make note of closing dates, as they're generally weeks before actual event date. Please plan ahead.

Find out more by going directly to AKC—

<https://webapps.akc.org/event-search/#/search>

. You can use the Event Search feature and pull up all AKC schedule events over the US.



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FIELD TRIALS (FT)

HUNTING TESTS (HT)

☐ Herding Tests & Trials (HE)

☐ Farm Dog Certification (FDC)

☒ Lure Coursing Tests & Trials (LC)

☐ Coursing Ability Tests (CABT)

☒ Fast CAT (FCAT)

LOCATION



Indoors

Outdoors



Outdoors Under Cover

Search by State

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Search near City

Distance from city

Carrollton, GA

50 Miles



Georgia Events

February 2024 Events

Name	Event Type	City	State	Start Date	Closing Date
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	Rally	Atlanta	GA	1-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	Obedience	Atlanta	GA	1-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	All Breed	Atlanta	GA	1-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	Junior Showmanship	Atlanta	GA	1-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	Obedience	Atlanta	GA	2-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	All Breed	Atlanta	GA	2-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	Junior Showmanship	Atlanta	GA	2-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Griffin Georgia Kennel Club	Rally	Atlanta	GA	2-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Conyers Kennel Club of Georgia	Rally	Atlanta	GA	3-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
Conyers Kennel Club of Georgia	Obedience	Atlanta	GA	3-Feb-24	17-Jan-24
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Four Paw Agility Club of North Georgia	Obedience	Marietta	GA	10-Feb-24	24-Jan-24
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Atlanta Obedience Club, Inc.	Rally	Norcross	GA	17-Feb-24	31-Jan-24
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Atlanta Obedience Club, Inc.	Rally	Norcross	GA	18-Feb-24	31-Jan-24
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Four Paw Agility Club of North Georgia	Agility	Talking Rock	GA	1-Mar-24	16-Feb-24
Four Paw Agility Club of North Georgia	Agility	Talking Rock	GA	2-Mar-24	16-Feb-24
Four Paw Agility Club of North Georgia	Agility	Talking Rock	GA	3-Mar-24	16-Feb-24
Canine Capers Agility Club of Greater Atlanta	Agility	Alpharetta	GA	8-Mar-24	27-Feb-24
Canine Capers Agility Club of Greater Atlanta	Agility	Alpharetta	GA	9-Mar-24	27-Feb-24
Atlanta Obedience Club, Inc.	Obedience	Norcross	GA	9-Mar-24	21-Feb-24
Canine Capers Agility Club of Greater Atlanta	Agility	Alpharetta	GA	10-Mar-24	27-Feb-24
Atlanta Obedience Club, Inc.	Obedience	Norcross	GA	10-Mar-24	21-Feb-24
Oconee River Kennel Club	Tracking Events	Watkinsville	GA	10-Mar-24	28-Feb-24

March 2024 Events

Name	Event Type	City	State	Start Date	Closing Date
Newnan Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Newnan	GA	15-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Newnan	GA	15-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Newnan	GA	15-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Newnan	GA	15-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Newnan	GA	16-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Newnan	GA	16-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Newnan	GA	16-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Obedience Club of Chattanooga, Inc.	Rally	Flintstone	GA	16-Mar-24	28-Feb-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Newnan	GA	16-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Obedience Club of Chattanooga, Inc.	Rally	Flintstone	GA	16-Mar-24	28-Feb-24
Obedience Club of Chattanooga, Inc.	Rally	Flintstone	GA	17-Mar-24	28-Feb-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Newnan	GA	17-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Obedience Club of Chattanooga, Inc.	Rally	Flintstone	GA	17-Mar-24	28-Feb-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Newnan	GA	17-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Newnan	GA	17-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Newnan Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Newnan	GA	17-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Savannah	GA	22-Mar-24	22-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Savannah	GA	22-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Augusta German Shepherd Dog Club	Specialties	Blythe	GA	22-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Obedience Club of Chattanooga, Inc.	Obedience	Flintstone	GA	23-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Savannah	GA	23-Mar-24	23-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Savannah	GA	23-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Savannah	GA	23-Mar-24	22-Mar-24
German Shepherd Dog Club of America	Herding Tests & Trials	Blythe	GA	23-Mar-24	23-Mar-24
German Shepherd Dog Club of America	Herding Tests & Trials	Blythe	GA	23-Mar-24	23-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Savannah	GA	23-Mar-24	5-Mar-24
Augusta German Shepherd Dog Club	Specialties	Blythe	GA	23-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Augusta German Shepherd Dog Club	Junior Showmanship	Blythe	GA	23-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Augusta German Shepherd Dog Club	Specialties	Blythe	GA	23-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Augusta German Shepherd Dog Club	Junior Showmanship	Blythe	GA	23-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Savannah	GA	24-Mar-24	22-Mar-24
German Shepherd Dog Club of America	Specialties	Blythe	GA	24-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Coursing Ability Tests	Savannah	GA	24-Mar-24	22-Mar-24
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Obedience Club of Chattanooga, Inc.	Obedience	Flintstone	GA	24-Mar-24	6-Mar-24
Savannah Kennel Club	Fast CAT	Savannah	GA	24-Mar-24	22-Mar-24
German Shepherd Dog Club of America	Specialties	Blythe	GA	24-Mar-24	6-Mar-24

German Shepherd Dog Club of America



The German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc., also known as the Parent Club for the GSD, was formed in 1913 & incorporated February 7, 1916.

The purposes for which the Corporation was formed are listed below:

- 1) To promote the breeding of the German Shepherd Dog;
- 2) To define precisely and publish definition of the true type, and to urge the adoption of such types on breeders, judges, dog show committees, etc., as the only recognized and unvarying standard by which the German Shepherd Dog is to be judged, and which may in the future be uniformly accepted as the sole standard of excellence in breeding and awarding prizes of merit;
- 3) To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by offering prizes, supporting certain shows, encouraging the development of working qualities and taking any other steps that may seem advisable;
- 4) To promote its most conspicuous characteristics as Police Dog, War Dog, Red Cross Dog, and Herding Dog, and;
- 5) To encourage therefore all trial and demonstrations in which those qualities may be shown, so as to interest the public generally, but especially the police and other municipal organizations in our ideals.

We highly recommend Membership with our Parent club.

IT PUTS YOU RIGHT IN THE MIX OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WORLD OF GSD'S.

Multiple membership options are available: Single, Family, Juniors. Dues/payments are required for Single & Family membership but not for Juniors. Also, there are additional requirements for memberships which can be viewed directly on parent club's website or can be reviewed on the last page of this newsletter from parent's club application.

<https://www.gsdca.org/application-and-info/>



Board-O-Gram for 1/3/2024

The GSDCA Board of Directors met in closed session on 1-3-24. After the closed session, the meeting went into open session to announce the actions that were approved.

Approved actions are as follows:

1. Approved minutes from 12-20-23 meeting as corrected.
2. Elected Candee Foss to serve as Recording Secretary for a 2-year term.
3. Filled open seats on Board of Directors using the ladder system per the bylaws.
 - Dawn VanDyken - 2-year term
 - John Conely - 2-year term
 - Wilhelm Lipp - 1 year term
4. Approved a portion of committee chairs and members:
 - Executive Committee: Lenny Brown, Julie Degen, Erin Nellis, Pamela O'Dell
 - Juniors Committee: Chair Lindsey Hudspeth, Co-Chair Nikki Bedea, Members, Kirston Reilly (pending GSDCA membership application acceptance) and Diana Paul
 - PAM Committee Chair: Julie Degen
 - 2024 National Show Chair: Candee Foss, Co-Chair Patty Korsch
 - Education Committee Chair: Donna Calabrese

The first regular meeting of the Board will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn Airport South in Phoenix, Arizona on January 27, 2024. Members are invited to attend in person or via the zoom link to be announced.

Cyndi Flautt
President, GSDCA



Futurity/Maturity



REGION #1 NORTHEAST: Maine, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania counties east of Warren, Forest, Jefferson, Indiana, Westmoreland, and Fayette

REGION #2 SOUTHEAST: North Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia, South Carolina, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida, Puerto Rico West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky

REGION #3 GREAT LAKES: Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania counties west of McKean, Elk, Clearfield, Cambria, Somerset.

REGION #4 MIDWEST: Wisconsin, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota

REGION #5 SOUTHWEST: Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Kansas, Nebraska

REGION #6 SOUTH PACIFIC: Arizona, Hawaii, all of Mexico, California counties south of Marin, Solano, Sacramento, El Dorado

REGION #7 NORTHWEST: California counties north of Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Calaveras and Alpine. Washington, Idaho, Wyoming, South Dakota, Oregon, Montana, North Dakota, Nevada, Alaska, all of Canada

2024 Futurity/Maturity season will soon be on it's way. Plus this year the regions are now broken up into 7 sections.

For those new or unfamiliar, these shows are held for our breeders & co-breeders of litters of applicable years. Litters are nominated for the respective upcoming year(s), so these pups can compete with other same aged litters in their area and across the country. This gives an opportunity for breeders who are members of the GSDCA to present their breeding program to the GSD community and how they are contributing to the overall GSD breed.

The "Best of" and the "Reserve" of each region will be given an invite to the GSDCA National, at year's end, to compete for the top spot, Victor or Victrix.

The first show will be held in Augusta on March 24th. The next page shows details of all locations and judges & alternatives.



2024 Futurity/Maturity

Region	Club	Dates	Location
Southeast	Augusta GSDC	March 24, 2024	Blythe, GA
Northwest	Eastern Washington GSDC	April 26, 2024	Yakima, WA
Great Lakes	GSDC of North Ohio	May 5, 2024	Chagrin Falls, OH
Southwest	Rocky Mountain GSDC	May 11, 2024	Greeley, CO
South Pacific	Golden State GSDC of San Jose	May 17, 2024	Turlock, CA
Midwest	GSDC of Minneapolis & St. Paul	June 2, 2024	Farmington, MN
Northeast	GSDC of Greater New Haven	June 9, 2024	Bethel, CT

2024 Futurity/Maturity Judges and Alternates

Southeast	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	Karin Wagner Bo Vujovich Jason McCune
Northwest	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	John Conely Jeanne Hamilton Emily St. Hilaire
Great Lakes	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	John Vaught Dennis Mulligan William Petterson
Southwest	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	Gary Szymczak Frank De Bem Butch Stiefferman
South Pacific	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	Dr. Jose Perez-Gurri Jeanne Hamilton Mary Gattone
Midwest	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	Linda Bankhead Nancy Godek-McDonald Nancy Harper-Mulvaney
Northeast	First Choice Judge First Alternative Judge Second Alternative Judge	Gail Stiefferman Nancy Godek-McDonald Channing Sheets

Hope you enjoy this months newsletter!

Details or questions can be sent to our group email: gsdcofatlanta@gmail.com

We encourage participation and become engaged with the GSD community here and nationally. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

- Justin

Stud Ad's:

7 club dogs, next pages

Membership Details:

Local & National club
application on last pages

The End.

GSDC of Atlanta Board of Directors

2023/2024

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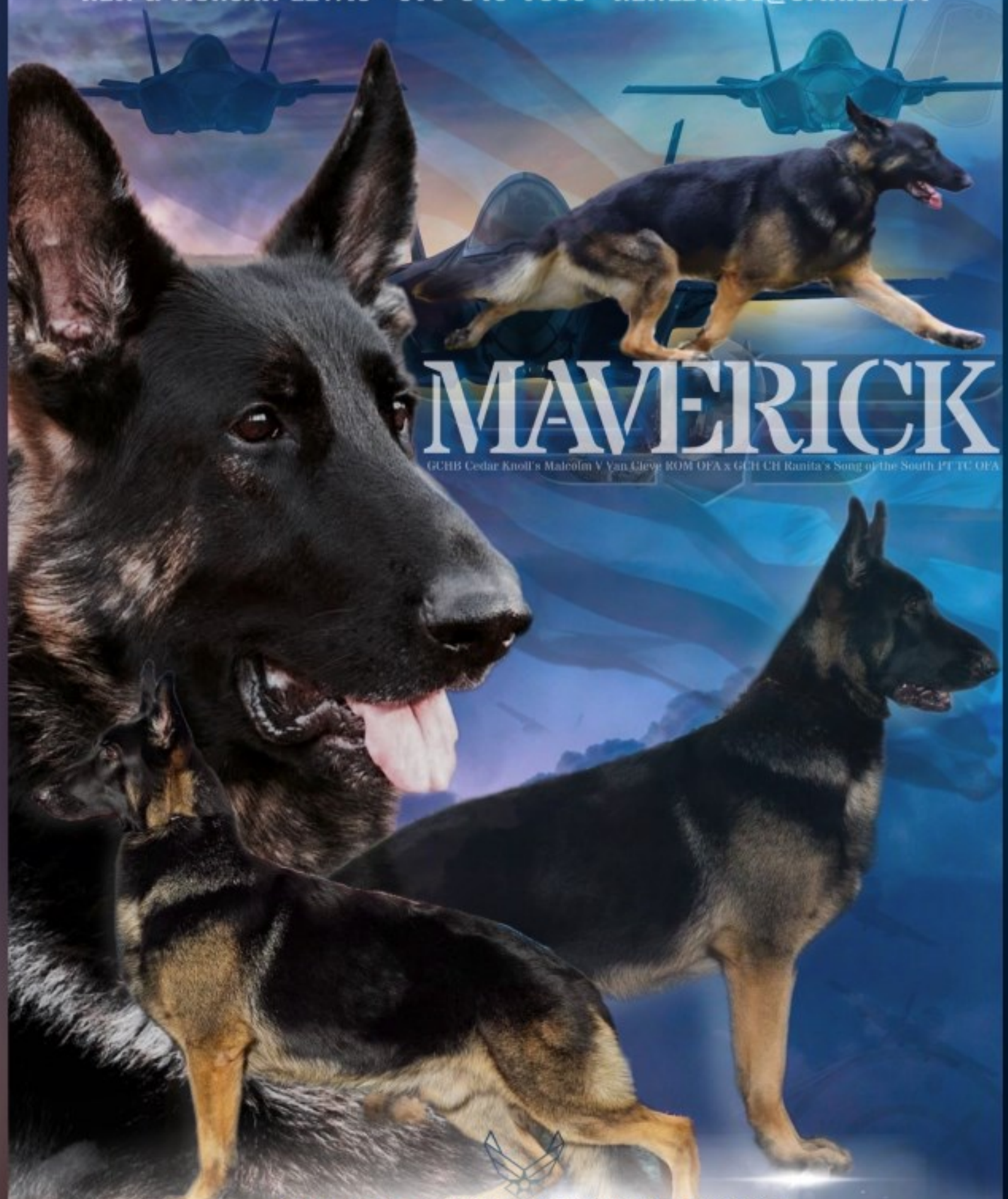
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GSDC of Atlanta reserves the right to visit your dog facilities prior to acceptance for membership.



Membership Application

Membership Dues 1st Year: \$55 Individual \$65 Household
(Membership Dues Each Year Thereafter -\$40 Individual; \$50 Household) Check/payment must accompany application.

Make check payable to: The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc.

For Office Use
Only:

Reviewed by Board

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PLEASE PRINT Last Name First Name Telephone communicate via USPS mail only

Address City

Occupation E-Mail address

I/We authorize the GSDC of Atlanta to communicate with me/us via email unless otherwise indicated by checking the box listed above.

Second Member (Household Membership Only)

Last Name First Name Occupation

Each Member is encouraged to participate in Club activities. Please circle your areas of interest.

Equipment	Telephone	Microchip/Tattoo Clinics	Publicity	Trophies
Newsletter	Hospitality	Training Classes	Matches & Shows	Library

Why do you want to join the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta? _____

Let us get to know you better.

Circle any areas in which you have experience:

Do you belong to any other dog clubs or animal related organization? (i.e. humane societies, welfare organizations, etc.)
Please list: _____

Obedience Tracking Conformation Herding
Training Agility

Do you have any children living at home?

If so, what are their names? _____

What other interests, talents or hobbies do you have? _____

Let us get to know your dogs better.... Please complete the back of this form

I/We agree to abide by the ideas espoused by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc. I/We agree to raise and show dogs in the true spirit of the breed, and to follow the rules, Constitution and By Laws of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc. and the American Kennel Club.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Active Club Member

Signature of Active Club Member

Requirement for membership: Prospective members shall be required to attend two of the last six club meetings or one club meeting and one club event before submitting an application to the Board of Directors. Names of applicants will be published in the Guardian 30 days prior to membership consideration.

Date Attended _____

Date Attended _____

Dog Name and Titles earned AKC, WDA, UKC, etc.	Age/ Sex	Spayed/ Neutered?	# of Litters	Breed of dog	Where did you obtain your dog – name of breeder, rescue shelter, etc.

Have you bred or co-bred any litters in the past three years? _____ If so, how many? _____

What is your kennel name?_____

Do you provide a written contract when you sell a dog or puppy?

If a person who acquired a dog of puppy from you needed to surrender the dog for any reason, would you take it back?

Are you willing to sign the Breeder's Code of Ethics? _____

Anything else you'd like to share with us?



GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL

There are two types of membership. **Regular Members:** Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Applicant (and renewing members) agrees to abide by the GSDCA by-laws and the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club. Two endorsements by current members must be provided by new applicants. Applicant's name will be published in the German Shepherd Dog Review. Provided no objections have been filed within 30 days of publication in the Review, applicant will be notified that he/she is eligible for all privileges including the right to vote.

Junior Members: Must be 9 years of age and not more than 17 years of age and shall subscribe to the same criteria as Regular Membership with the exception of the requirement to pay dues. Junior members cannot vote, hold office, or serve on committees other than junior committees.

To apply and pay **ONLINE** with a credit card, please go to <https://www.gsdca.org/application-and-info/>

Check Your Desired Membership Type:

☐ Membership Review

☐ One Year

☐ Three Year

☐ Five Year

Category	Delivery			
Single	Online Only	\$55	\$160	\$265
Single	Print & Online	\$75	\$215	\$355
Family	Online Only	\$80	\$230	\$385
Family	Print & Online	\$115	\$325	\$545

Additional Delivery Charges

The GSDCA conducts elections electronically (online). To Opt Out and receive a paper ballot via USPS Check Here

Delivery in Poly Wrap: +\$5.00

1st Class Delivery: +\$36.00

Outside United States: +\$24.00

Membership Information (Please Print)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Date of Birth (Juniors Only): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

For FAMILY Memberships, provide 2nd member information.

(Family membership is defined as 2 people living in the same household—principle & one other person).

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

What activities do you enjoy with your GSD? (Check all that apply)

☐ Agility

☐ Conformation

☐ Herding

☐ House Pet

☐ Obedience

☐ Rally

☐ Schutzhund/Working Dog Sport

☐ Tracking

☐ Other

Endorser 1 Printed Name & Signature: _____

Endorser 2 Printed Name & Signature: _____

Applicant/Member Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

To mail your application, send to Toni Pals, 4440 Burkholm Rd, Mims, FL 32754 with check payable to GSDCA