



GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB OF NORTHERN SAC VALLEY

NEWSLETTER

WINTER EVENTS – FALL RECAP



A fun weekend was had by all, I think, at our Fall Specialty at the Dixon Fairgrounds. It was very dark and very cool to start Saturday, but things warmed up as the glitz and glitter started to get set up at the trophy tables and on the raffle and silent auction tables.

Many thanks to Malina Tzartzanis and Kathy Bodutch for tackling the trophy challenge. The tables looked amazing. The team of Ola and Grace assembled a wonderful raffle table and with fabulous silent auction items.

Best In Sweeps was won by CH MADRONE FIRE AND ICE OF BLACKSTAR

Best of Opposite was won by ROBIN CREST FIREPOINT NEWS FLASH

Best in Veteran Sweeps was won by GCH DC NMK'S PRESUMED INNOCENT SH

Winners Dog was won by ROBIN CREST FIREPOINT NEWS FLASH

Reserve Winners Dog was won by NMK'S LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

Winners Bitch was won by NMK'S SYLVIE, GODDESS OF MISCHIEF JH

Reserve Winners Bitch was won by COLDWATER'S DOUBLE THE LOVE

Best of Winners was won by ROBIN CREST FIREPOINT NEWS FLASH

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Specialty Recap

Select Dog was won by GCH DC NMK'S PRESUMED INNOCENT SH
Select Bitch was won by GCHB CH R DESIRES SUGAR & SPICE JH
Best of Opposite was won by CH SIEGERVALE'S IT'S 5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE
Best of Breed was won by GCHG CH SIEGERVALE'S SLIGHTLY NOTORIOUS
Best Owner Handler was NMK'S SYLVIE, GODDESS OF MISCHIEF JH

Thank you to our sweepstakes judge, Vanessa Carmean, for coming to our show from Houston, TX. She had a great time, even though she was super cold! Thank you to all the people that helped put tables together, hang up club signs, wagon in raffle baskets, bought tickets, stayed late to win prizes.

On Sunday, the club held a supported entry with a sweepstakes. We had a very nice entry of puppies and veterans for our judge, Rebecca Gardea.

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Without the generosity of our club members, we would not have been able to provide wonderful trophies and ribbons for our exhibitors. Thank you again!



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In Memorium

Carl Jefferson Kennedy, Jr.

Nov. 21, 1928 — Sept. 16, 2023

Carl learned to hunt with his Dad in the Detroit, Michigan area. It wasn't until he retired and

moved to Sacramento, CA that he got back into hunting pheasant. He adopted "Bandit", (the

two were inseparable) his first GSP, and hunted several hunt clubs in the area.

But his favorite

was Hasting Island where he hunted Bandit, Misty, Piper, April and Chappy.

He belonged to the German Shorthaired Pointer Clubs of California, Northern Sacramento Valley and Reno. While Susan competed in hunt tests and field trials with Misty and Piper, Carl and Chappy were in the bird field gunning for the dogs.

He got the nick-name of Carl, if it flies it dies Kennedy

Member Brags!



Can Ch Lahrheim's Super Hornet FDJ aka Jet went BOS & BOBOH at Woodstock for a 5 pt major (he just got here the day before from Canada) and then we headed to Oregon where he was reserve to the major at the specialty and then over the weekend got his second (4 pt) major and BOBOH. Richmond DF he was WD & BOW for 2 points. Lake Drake he was WD for another point. He now needs 3 singles. Chasing those last points. Jet also has a son in Canada who is currently #1 GSP.

He is available for stud, all health clearances done. He has his CHIC. And is a proven sire of champions.

I also judged the sweeps at Woodstock and had fun! Thank you for having me!

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Member Brags!

From Annika Jensen – Romi is a new champion. She earned it at the GSPC of Reno Carson City specialty in September.



From Chelsea
Our Taylor / Phoenix daughter–
Leona – Chelsea’s Legacy Of
Royalty had a great weekend at
the 4 San Diego specialties. She
won all 4 Best In Sweepstakes,
Best Puppy and a 4 point major.
She was beautifully handled by her
young co–owner, Paloma whom
also won 2 Best Juniors



Sunny, owned by Cindy
Smullen, earned 3 titles a
few weeks ago in agility.
Pending AKC she earned
ACT 2, ACT 2J and NAP.
She placed 1st or 2nd in
each class!



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Member Brags!



From Rebekah Riensche – Izzy completed her BCAT and CGCA titles 1 week apart

From Karen and John Robison – GCH CH NMK's Enduring Echo JH FDC BCAT FITS VC was awarded the versatility certificate by the GSPCA.



Braggs from GG!

Since completing her Grand Champion Bronze in August, GG has been working toward Silver status. She has accrued 23 points toward that goal. A best of breed at Donner Trail Kennel Club and several Selects and Best of Opposites were accomplished thanks to the excellent handling by Laurie Jordan Fenner, Larry Fenner and Elizabeth Jordan Nelson. We are looking forward to the remainder of the year to see what GG does! She brings us such happiness!

Thank you to the members of the GSPC of NSV who put on a great Specialty and Supported Entry at the Sacramento Dog Fanciers in Dixon!

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–WINTER FIELD TRIAL– DECEMBER 2–3, 2023

Our field trial for the Winter is getting ready to close in the next couple of weeks.. Please get. your entries in for this event! The location is Quail Point in Zamora. Keep your fingers crossed early for good and dry weather! The club has donated money to Quail Point to assist in re-graveling lots where we park for the event.

As always, volunteers are needed to line marshall, run errands, plant birds, etc. Please check with our chairperson, Carol Chadwick, to see where she needs the most help! Cindy Smullen, is the event secretary and may need a helping hand as well.

DON'T FORGET OUR MERCHANDISE OPTIONS!

[THE LINK IS HERE!](#) – JUST CLICK IT – YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO!



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New By-Laws Coming to you soon for review

The first pass has been reviewed by the board for the By Laws. The group on the board read through for continuity, dates, verbiage, etc. A second draft should be in to the board to review in the next few weeks. Once the board majority has agreed to the verbiage, it will be presented to the club for review. Our best guess is that we will include the by law vote in with the Board of Directors vote after the first of the year.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS – COMING UP DECEMBER 31, 2023

[Link to the form is here!](#)

Just click the whole line above

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO RENEW AS SOON AS YOU CAN SO THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VOTE IN OUR 2024 ELECTIONS. THIS WILL INCLUDE BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITIONS AND CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS UPDATES. IT'S IMPORTANT TO HEAR FROM YOU ALL.

Have you ever tried Rally with your dog?

Think of an AKC Rally event as any team sport: You and your dog navigate a course, side-by-side, as you steer him through a course of 10–20 different signs. Each of these signs provides instructions regarding the next skill that is to be performed. The dog and handler move continuously throughout the course with the dog under control at the handler's left side. There is a clear sense of teamwork between the dog and handler both during and between the numbered signs. Although each performance is timed, having a good race time is not the goal; it's all about working as a team while performing the skills, with the dog under control.

[Learn more here!](#)

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What Are the Versatility Awards? And..What Is the Versatility Awards Program?

Thanks to the Robison's for bringing this up in their brags!

This is an exclusive award given by the German Shorthaired Pointer club of America to members of the GSPCA for their achievement in obtaining titles and other achievements in the many different venues that AKC offers! The Award was created to encourage members to expand their participation in the many different activities that are recognized within this program.

The Versatility Certificates can be earned on achievements in the following venues: Conformation, Field, Hunt, Obedience/Rally, Tracking, Agility, and a new "other" category for achievements that do not fit the other prior areas.

This program is a tiered approach and will encourage the single focused enthusiast who has only participated in one activity to try out the many other and different activities that a GSP can do!

A system of point values has been established based on the titles that can be earned in each of these venues (refer to the chart of qualifications.)

If you want more information on the point systems and how you can earn your versatility awards, check the www.gspca.org website (just click on the web link that is underlined). You will need to be a GSPCA member to receive your award and titles.

2023-4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- WALKING FIELD TRIAL DECEMBER 2-3, 2023, QUAIL POINT, **CLOSES NOV 26, 2023**
- SPRING TEST MARCH 16-17, 2024 QUAIL POINT. THE EVENT WILL INCLUDE AN AMATEUR WALKING PUPPY STAKE

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Nomination Season is coming up

Just to let you all know that the GSPC of Northern Sacramento Valley is coming up on Nomination Season soon. Are you interested in being on the nomination committee? Are you interested in running for a position on the Board. The President, Cindy Smullen, and Secretary, Nicole Prudhel, are up for election this year as well as 3 directors.

Club Officers

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BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2023

Topic: GSPC of NSV Board Meeting
Time: Nov 14, 2023 07:00 PM Pacific
Join Zoom Meeting
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[pwd=eEJpUUYzZy9JNWFiqbDh5eEtTQmQ3UT09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88201681295?pwd=eEJpUUYzZy9JNWFiqbDh5eEtTQmQ3UT09)


Meeting ID: 882 0168 1295
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Health and Welfare information

NC STATE College of Veterinary Medicine

Investigating Neuronal Network Connectivity in Dogs with Idiopathic Epilepsy using Functional MRI



Now Seeking Participants

We are recruiting dogs that have experienced seizures and are not receiving any anti-seizure drugs, for a study evaluating functional MRI in dogs with idiopathic epilepsy. The study is being led by Dr. Karen Muñana, and the NC State College of Veterinary Medicine Companion Epilepsy Research Laboratory, with funding from the AKC-Canine Health Foundation.

Inclusion Criteria:

- History of 2 or more seizures noted at least 24 hours apart
- Age at seizure onset of 6 months and 6 years
- Normal physical examination
- No other known medical disease
- Administration of no antiseizure drugs within the last 30 days
- Minimum body weight of 40 pounds

Study Benefits (at no cost to the owner):

- Physical and neurological examination
- Labwork including complete blood count and biochemistry profile
- MRI scan of the brain (conventional scan to evaluate for structural brain abnormalities, and functional MRI scan for study purposes), and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) collection and analysis (includes all anesthesia and hospitalization fees)

For more information or to enroll your dog, email cvmepilepsy@ncsu.edu or call 919-513-6812

go.ncsu.edu/epilepsyresearch

Do you have any GSPCA concerns that you want discussed or explained by the Board of Directors, please let Dominic Pettinato, (email NWDirector@gspca.org), know so he can get your request addressed.

Consider membership to the GSPCA, if you are not already. Here is a [link](#) to the most recent Shorthair Journal so you can see an issue.

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