



GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB OF NORTHERN SAC VALLEY

NEWSLETTER

NEW YEAR – NEW DOG EVENTS FOR 2024



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is here and we have lots of club activities coming up. I encourage you to be a part of our events as a competitor and as a volunteer. In March we have both a Hunt Test and Field Trial at Quail Point Hunt Club. These events are just nature for our dogs as most love to hunt. In June we have a Specialty which is dog show just for our breed. We celebrate all our dogs with classes for puppies, veterans, hunting dogs, champion dogs and even a class for junior handlers. In July we have Fun Days at Hastings Island Hunt Club. This is a fun weekend to learn new skills meet new members and dogs.

Remember, our club has a meeting every 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 7 PM on Zoom. The meetings rotate every other month to board and general meetings. The agenda and zoom information are emailed to all members about one week before.

This is your club. Stay active and stay involved.

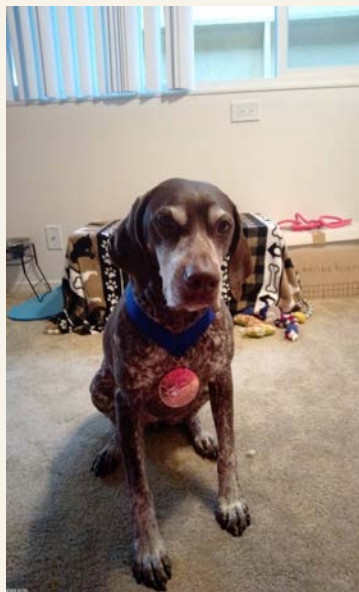
I look forward to seeing you and your dog at these upcoming events!

Cindy Smullen

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MEMBER BRAGS!

From Rebekah Riensche - Izzy got her fit dog bronze title.



From Lydia Barrett and Bob Geib - Ziggy has been keeping Lydia & Bob super busy as he continues to do new events in addition to his field and show ring activities. The 3 of us are having lots of fun watching him learn new things...and add some new titles to his belt! BISS GCH NMK's Sequoyah Ziggy Stardust SH FDC ACTIJ CGC TKI ATT, and pending his GSPCA VC.



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MEMBER BRAGS!

From new member, Caitlyn Zepeda - Izzy earned her Junior Hunter title.



From Michele Brown -Millie earned her AKC Trick Dog Novice title. Her full name is: NMK's Million Dollar Baby SH

SIRE: DC AFC NMK's Molto Bene MH -I

DAM: Brysnif NMK White Dove To Nv JH



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MEMBER BRAGS!

From the desk of Patrick Lanier -BISS GCHB NMK's Prosecutor's Closing Argument JH (Tommy Boy) was invited to the GSPCA Top 25 Gala and the National Owner Handlers Series Top 10 Black Event at the National Specialty in Peoria, Illinois. I couldn't be more proud of what my Tommy Boy has accomplished at such a young age.



From Dominic and Lynn Pettinato - New baby puppy, Libby, went out on a Saturday and went Reserve Best In Puppy Match and found birds at Hastings the next day!



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FROM NORCAL GSP RESCUE

The membership donated \$330 to the NorCal GSP Rescue. This is the note received in response to the donation.

Dear Lynn and the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Northern Sacramento Valley,

Thank you very much for your generous donation from the club membership. Every dollar makes a difference. As you may know, the situation in shelters is grim, with multiple dogs per kennel and euthanasia solely because of overcrowding on the rise again. Shorthairs are being dumped in fields, left abandoned at dog parks, and tied up at schools. We are struggling to keep up and are using boarding as a stop-gap measure til we can secure foster homes for incoming dogs. We appreciate your support in helping these shorthairs find new homes.

Barbara

Barbara Gale
Treasurer & General Manager
NorCal German Shorthaired Pointer Rescue, Inc.
www.NorCalGSPrescue.org



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Enroll your senior dogs in the Dog Aging Project! It's FREE!

Discovering the keys to a healthy lifespan

At the Dog Aging Project, we care deeply about the health and happiness of dogs. Our discoveries about healthy aging in our canine companions will translate into medical advances for people too. We're working toward a future where dogs, and their humans, can live longer and stay healthier—together!

<https://dogagingproject.org>

Spring Hunt Test March 9-10, 2024

Our March hunt test is currently receiving entries! The event chair is Rebekah Riensche, and the secretary is Michele Brown. Premiums have gone out via email. If you have not been to Quail Point lately, the parking lot has been graveled and is really nice to park in. The event premium is ready, and it posted on our website or contact Michele via email – mtnbrown@sbcglobal.net – <http://gspcofnsv.net>

Tips to quiet barking

Dogs bark. There's no denying the fact that barking is a natural reaction for most canines. But sometimes, dog barking can become a problem and an annoyance. Oftentimes, owners try to stop a dog from barking in ways that fail to address long-term behavior. Examples include yelling, rewarding bad habits, or inconsistently disciplining.

When looking for a permanent solution, keep in mind that it is important for you, as the dog's owner, to find the source of the behavior. If your dog is barking because of boredom, providing your pet with something to do may be the answer. However, if separation anxiety issues are the trigger, this may require a completely different approach.

[Link for the rest of the article here!](#)

Spring Walking Field Trial - With Correction

Our Spring Walking Field Trial will be over Easter weekend this year, **March 30 and March 31**, at Quail Point. Our new secretary, Lydia Barrett, has the premiums out and is working behind Chair Extraordinaire, Carol Chadwick. Contact nmk1gsp@aol.com if you are available to help. Please come out and say hello.

The link to the events is [here!](#)

DON'T FORGET OUR MERCHANDISE OPTIONS!

THE LINK IS HERE! – JUST CLICK IT – YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO!



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS – DON'T LET YOUR MEMBERSHIP LAPSE

[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 .

GSPCA National Specialty Show, Agility, Obedience and Rally Trials

The GSPCA National events for conformation and some performance events will be held the week of May 12-18, 2024 in Peoria, Illinois. During that week, there will be agility trials to kick the week off.

<https://www.gspca.org/events/specialty/2024nss/agility/>

Starting Monday after the agility trial, there will be a Regional Specialty sponsored by the GSPC of Wisconsin, including Junior Showmanship.

Tuesday, May 14, has another GSPCA sponsored Regional Specialty with Junior Showmanship. Wednesday is GSPCA National Sweepstakes along with a Regional Rally and Obedience Trial. Thursday, May 15, is the GSPCA Futurity with another Rally and Obedience Trial for the National title. That evening starts the Top 25 and NOHS Top 10. **Come and Root Patrick on!**

Conformation starts Friday and finishes on Saturday with Best of Breed.

There is so much going on, you will need to take a look at this [link](#). Dominic and I are flying in on May 14th to Midway Airport, direct flight from Sacramento and taking a scenic drive to Peoria. We hope to see you there!

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GSPCA Corner

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. The GSPCA board meeting is March 13, 2024 and will be a Zoom call.

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.

Also, there will be a GSPCA Annual Delegates meeting and Annual Membership meeting during the week of the Nationals. Please submit any concerns to the club delegate to the Nationals to be added to the agenda.

2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- SPRING TEST MARCH 9-10, 2024 QUAIL POINT. THE EVENT WILL INCLUDE AN AMATEUR WALKING PUPPY STAKE – PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE
- **SPRING WALKING FIELD TRIAL – MARCH 30-31, 2024 QUAIL POINT – CORRECTED**
- WOOFSTOCK – JUNE 7-8, 2024 – SOLANO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS – SUPPORTED ENTRY AND DESIGNATED SPECIALTY

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Bringing back club awards!

At our Fun Days this year, the committee is resurrecting club awards. Please find the link below for recognizing your dog and the titles it has earned! Certificates will be handed out at Fun Days!

<https://forms.gle/3iqukmqu8mRovFbb8>

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BOARD MEETING MARCH 12, 2024

Topic: GSPC of NSV Board Meeting

Time: Mar 12, 2024 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83480216723?
pwd=ib8NQAB3mROOr65dBKv6fvWDeydk5N.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83480216723?pwd=ib8NQAB3mROOr65dBKv6fvWDeydk5N.1)

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