



October 2022

The Schaferhunde News
The German Shepherd Dog Club of Greater Kansas City
Founded 1923

2022 Officers

President - Debbie McHenry
Vice President - Sally Hamm
Treasurer - Mike Kennedy
Recording Secretary - Jeanne Harmon

2022 Board Members

Nancy Kennedy
Jose Lemus

Lynette Stone
Ken Sanders
Iryna Sanders

President's Message:

October is here and with it some gorgeous Fall weather! Howl - o-ween will take place next Saturday October 8th; 1pm to 2:30 at the North Kansas City Dog Park; Waggin' Trails. We are one of the sponsors for this fun event, so make sure you come out and dress up YOU and the dogs. Good luck to all who are headed down to Ocala, FL for the 2022 GSDCA National Specialty and Sieger Show! No meeting in October so stay tuned for the November potluck THANKSgiving dinner, looking forward to yummy food and good fellowship. Get out and enjoy the last few weeks of this beautiful sunshine.

Debbie

**GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF GREATER KANSAS CITY
GENERAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 9/11/22**

The annual picnic was held this year along with our general meeting at a new location. We all met at the Sarko Trails Park in Lenexa Kansas. It was a beautiful park and shelter. Thanks, Ken and Iryna for all your help in setting this up along with BBQing the main entree. You both did a great job! We were also grateful that since it was in a new location, Ken and Shirley Peterson were able to attend. They are our oldest and longest members of our club. They joined our club in 1956! It was so good to see them!

After enjoying great food that everyone brought, Debbie McHenry, President began our general meeting. We skipped the Board Meeting for this month. A reminder that 2023 marks our 100th anniversary of our club.

Mike Kennedy was unable to attend so the treasurers report will be presented at our next board meeting.

The minutes of our last meeting were posted in the monthly newsletter and there were no changes brought up at this meeting. Minutes were accepted as printed.

CONFORMATION COMMITTEE:

We have not heard back from AKC as to the final closing of our show in June. Sally will check with Mary Vick, our show secretary to see if she has heard back from them. The futurity, is June 11, 2023. Sally is the chairman. She is working on finding a show photographer. Good news, we do not need to have the sponsors for the \$300.00 by 11/1/22, that will be deferred to after the first of the year. She made flyers to give out to people so they can give them to potential sponsors that may want to donate to our organization towards the amount we need for minimum donation for the futurity program.

Our treasurer will keep track of any donations. This form will also be printed in the newsletter for all members to print off if they may know of any possible sponsors. Another option for making money for our club could be selling note cards to earn money for the futurity.

A MOTION WAS MADE: TO LOOK INTO THE COST FOR MAKING NOTE CARDS

This motion was seconded and all were in favor.

T-Shirts and hoodies were another option to sell to club members. Debbie knows an artist that is a retired Hallmark employee. Bobbie will check in to the cost of screen printing.

This would have the club's logo on it and the 100th year notation.

We do have the site, in Smithville, and the judges.

OBEDIENCE: The Trial is July 15th and 16th 2023 at Greater Kansas City Training Facility.

Two trials, Saturday and Sunday. Nancy Kennedy the chairperson has hired judges. The

Golden Retriever Club Trial is June 23rd and 24th, 2023 at Greater Kansas City Dog

Training Facility. This is an all-breed show.

TRACKING: Chairman, Pat Robinette said the event will be December 3, 2023 in Smithville

for a TD and TDX combined and already has the judges.

October Event, is at Wagon Wheel Off Leach Dog Park in NKC. Saturday, October 8, 2022.

Jeanne and Lynette will be there and will set up. Please join us as a good showing of GS

Dogs is appreciated.

The National Dog Show is in Florida and there will be no meeting for October.

The Wine Pull from the Topeka show was a success. We made \$800.00. Sold out all the wine. Next year we will need more. Please collect all throughout the year. We need people

to help at this show at the table, it will be August 24 through the 27th, 2023.

November will be our next meeting at the NKC meeting room. We will have our

Thanksgiving buffet/ pot luck. Tuesday, 11/ 8/ 22. We need a volunteer to organize this

event.

December awards banquet will be in Lenexa at the Zarda BBQ

New Business: We selected a nominating committee. Those selected include: 1. PAT ROBINETTE, 2. BOBBIE SCHIFFELBEIN, 3. NANCY KENNEDY, 4. TAMMY PETERSON. This committee will select the slate for next years officers and board members. Contact them if you would like a new position. You will really enjoy this new promotion!!!!

At the December meeting they will announce the new slate and at the January meeting we will be voting.

MEETING ADJOURNED

BRAGS, Sally received 2 legs in Beginner Novice and 1st and 2nd place with Summer. At the

same show she received 2 majors, Winners Bitch and Best of Winners. Now she has her

majors out of the way.

Tammy, took Winners Bitch on Friday at Topeka with her Golden Retriever

Debbie finished Open in Topeka with Trumann and will now be moving on to Utility.

CONGRADULATION TO ALL, SUCH GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENTS!

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Harmon

Howl -o-ween will take place next Saturday October 8th; 1pm to 2:30 at the North Kansas City Dog Park; Waggin' Trails.

Training continues at the Greater Kansas City Dog Training building on Friday morning. Do you need help getting ready for the ring? Contact Debbie for help or if you plan to attend one of our training sessions.

BRAGS

No brags but here are a few pictures from our picnic















Please send your brags to me, Tammy Peterson at ibperfect1@icloud.com

German Shepherd Dog Club of America

If you're not already a member of the GSDCA, you should join . There is very informative articles, what's happening with our breed, show schedules, etc.

<https://www.gsdca.org/>

Laura with The Dogs' Spot mentioned that they do Dog of the Month every month.

We pick a winner at the beginning of the month and they are featured on our Waggin' Trail Facebook page and receive a prize from The Dogs' Spot. They can enter at [www.nkcparks andrec.org/dogofthemoth](http://www.nkcparksandrec.org/dogofthemoth).

FEELIN' LUCKY?

ENTER TO BE DOG OF THE MONTH!



Winner will be featured on Waggin' Trail's Facebook Page and receive Beer Paw's Peanut Butter Flavor Beer Biscuits.

Enter at nkcparksandrec.org/dogofthemonth.



AKC Virtual Titles

So many parts of our daily lives have changed in the past few years. While our favorite dog activities —from classes and seminars to shows —have resumed safely, there are now some permanent virtual training options that you can do from the comfort of your home or on vacation. You and your dog can have fun training together, working on your favorite sports and activity, and even earning titles!

Trick Dog

The AKC now has the Trick Dog titling program to be accessible via submission of videos that are reviewed and approved by CGC evaluators. If you don't know a CGC evaluator you can easily search for one. This time of social distancing is the perfect opportunity to get your dog involved in the Trick Dog program. Under the new rules, AKC trick titles can be observed and earned digitally. Full rules and requirements for video submissions and each level of Trick Dog Titles (Novice through Elite Performer) are available online.

If you are someone who is unable to attend training classes every night and every weekend at dog shows, the AKC's Trick Dog program is a fantastic way to channel your energy by

earning titles at home. Even if you and your dog have never competed at a dog show, Trick Dog titles are a wonderful introduction to dog sports. The program has also led to the AKC Trick Dog National Competition being entirely virtual, allowing dogs from across the nation to easily compete.

Virtual Home Manners

The Virtual Home Manners tests assess ten skills that well-mannered pet dogs need in the home setting. The Virtual Home Manners tests are evaluated online by CGC Evaluators in the same manner that is currently used for Virtual Tricks. There is not an in-person VHM testing process. Virtual Home Manners is a natural lead-in for AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and Canine Good Citizen (CGC) in-person training.

FitDog

If you like to get out of the house regularly to walk your dog each day don't forget about the AKC's Fit Dog program. Check your local regulations and maintain at least six feet of distance between anyone else you may pass on your walk. For the program you and your dog commit to walking each day either:

Walked at least 30 minutes 5 times per week for a total of at least 150 minutes per week for at least 3 months. For dogs and people in good shape.

Walked at least 15 minutes per session at least 10 times per week (e.g., two 15-min walks per day) for at least 3 months. For dogs or people who would benefit from a walk that is a shorter duration, e.g., senior dogs.

When you and your dog have achieved either of these benchmarks you fill out the AKC FitDog form and will be sent a free FitDog program magnet!

AKC Rally

The AKC Rally Virtual Program, which is now a permanent program, will provide exhibitors an opportunity to stay at home and enter an AKC Rally® event.

This program is designed to have a Rally Novice, Rally Intermediate, Rally Advanced, or Rally Excellent competitor set up a pre-designed AKC Rally® course in the safety of their own yard, record the performance, and submit it to AKC. In turn, AKC will assign a pre-selected AKC Rally Judge to virtually review and score the team's Rally performance.

There are several pre-designed official rally courses on the AKC website to choose from.

To participate, follow the setup instructions provided, video record the performance, upload the video to YouTube, set the required YouTube viewing options, and submit the video link with the entry form and fee to AKC.

Virtual Obedience Test

In the AKC Virtual Obedience Test, two levels of virtual titling obedience classes are offered, with an expansion of the program to be released over time. The first two levels in the Virtual Obedience Test program are Virtual Beginner Novice and Virtual Novice classes.

There are five different ring setups for each class to choose from. You and your dog are judged the same as you would be at a regular trial. However, some of the exercises are different than what you will see at in-person trials.

Virtual Scent Work Test

The Virtual Scent Work Test (VSWT) is a basic way for owners to bond with their dog or to get started in Scent Work. Teams can work incrementally at their own pace while developing skills and confidence. When a team is ready, they can demonstrate basic competency in locating an item based on scent by taking the VSWT and capturing it on video. The VSWT consists of three levels: Beginner (VSWB), Intermediate (VSWI) and Experienced (VSWE). Each level has its own set of testing criteria and titles must be earned in order. It takes two passes to earn a title at each level.

Have a blessed day