



ABOUT OUR CLUB – SYNOPSIS ON PURPOSE AND GOALS

The Sleepy Hollow German Shorthaired Pointer Club is a “not for profit” Breed Specific Dog Club. We were founded in the early 1990’s by a small unit of very dedicated GSP people. Throughout the years, we have grown to expand our horizons as we continue to promote the health and welfare of the Versatile GSP.

The Sleepy Hollow GSPC, is an American Kennel Club Sanctioned Specialty Breed Club. SHGSPC is also a member club of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America. We promote the responsible breeding of the purebred GSP. We urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed approved by the American Kennel Club, as the only standard of excellence. The SHGSP Club conducts Sanctioned Specialty Breed Shows, Obedience Trials, and Field Events held under the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club.

Our Club is about... Good Sportsmanship - Our members, their enjoyment of the sport and willingness of their dogs. Education - Learning through the exchange of knowledge within the membership.

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Directions to Gander Mountain Meeting location, in Middletown NY, 10940:

From the East – Take Rt. 17 West to exit 120. Make a right at light onto Rt. 211 East. Go to light and make a right onto N.Galleria Dr. Make a right into parking lot.

From the West – Take Rt. 17 East to Exit 120, East (towards Montgomery) merge onto Rt. 211 East, continue as above.

From Newburgh and CT – Take I-84 West (toward Middletown) to Rt. 17 West then follow as above directions.

From PA and Northern NJ – Take I-84 East to NY Exit 4-West. Onto Rt.17 West then follow as above directions.

The meeting room is located to the rear of the store in the Lodge. Once in the store proceed to the rear left of the building.
Gander Mountain phone: 845-692-5600

On with the show!



MEETINGS 2011

Due to Gander MT. hosting special hunting classes on some of our regular meeting nights in 2011, meetings will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Please make note of the dates below.

Feb 23 - Regular Meeting Gander – 4th Wednesday

Apr 20 - Regular Meeting Gander

May 25 - Regular Meeting Gander – 4th Wednesday

Jun 22 - Regular Meeting Gander – 4th Wednesday

Aug (TDB) - Annual Pot Luck Dinner/Meeting & Match Show

Oct 19 - Regular Meeting Gander

Dec (TDB) - Holiday Dinner/Meeting

SHGSP Club Specialty Show @ MSA on Sunday Feb 13, 2011

Premium available at <http://www.raudogshows.com/pdfs/upcoming-shows/MSA%20GSP.pdf>

Closing date – January 26, 2011

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT- JOHN RATCLIFF

Forget the "Got Milk?" advertising campaign. I'm starting a new one. "Got Snow?" I say a small prayer to my wife every time I see the white stuff, as she gave me a snow blower for Christmas several years ago which has become an invaluable tool for these snowy winter days. As I write this message, the radio is indicating yet another storm heading our way which will potentially drop a foot of snow on us. The Caribbean is looking better and better with each passing minute.

The annual club Christmas Party, organized by Charles Mallory, was very well attended. Held December 4th (which seems so long ago, now) at Schlesinger's Steak House in New Windsor, the party was a great success. Everyone attending was in a festive, holiday spirit, which made the evening very enjoyable.

We are now on the threshold of the club's next big event, the MSA Show, which is in the final planning stages. The show, sponsored by the AKC, will be held at the Meadowlands Arena, Secaucus, NJ on February 11-13. Judges for the show include Judy Ziegler for Sweepstakes and Veterans Sweepstakes and Dr. Elliot More for the specialty show judging.

Although still quite early, our June Specialty Show is in the planning stages. Dolores Mallory has been working diligently with her show committee to organize all the details for that event.

During these cold and snowy winter months, there's not much to do but keep the home fires burning and wish for warmer weather. I still don't understand what they mean by global warming!

As always, we encourage your involvement in club activities and look forward to seeing you at upcoming monthly meetings and club events.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2011 – MSA SPECIALTY

Meadowlands Specialty Association Secaucus, NJ (2/11/11 - 2/13/11) - Closing Date for All Shows January 26, 2011

Friday, February 11, 2011

Schuylkill Valley German Shorthaired Pointer Club

Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes - Sweeps Judge: Mrs. Elaine Lessig

Regular & Non Regular Classes & Junior Showmanship classes - Judge: Ms. Diane Kroll

Saturday, February 12, 2011

Long Island German Shorthaired Pointer Club

Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes - Sweeps Judge: Ms. Christine Cunningham

Regular & Non Regular Classes - Judge: Dr. Robert D. Smith

Sunday, February 13, 2011

The Sleepy Hollow German Shorthaired Pointer Club

Puppy & Veterans Sweepstakes - Sweeps Judge: Ms. Judy Zeigler

Regular & Non Regular Classes - Judge: Dr. Elliot More

Directions to the show are as follows:

MEADOWLANDS EXPOSITION CENTER at HARMON MEADOW - 355 Plaza Dr, Secaucus NJ, 07094 - 210-223-1000

From North (RTS 80 & 95 George Washington Bridge):

Take NJ Turnpike South. BEFORE REACHING THE TOLLS, follow signs for "Exit 17/Lincoln Tunnel" and Route 3 East (this puts you on the Eastern Spur of the Turnpike).

Take Exit 17 and stay right towards Secaucus immediately after paying the toll.

Go straight through traffic light and over bridge. You are now on Harmon Meadow Blvd. Go to first light and turn right onto Plaza Drive. Exposition Center is on your left.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The newsletter will now be sent quarterly rather than monthly. We urge our members to utilize the club's web site to post brags, litter announcements, etc. via the blog application. If anyone needs assistance posting info, please contact Charles Mallory. We will of course post any brags or announcements in the newsletter by member request, these should be sent to Detta, detta@optonline.net.

TREASURER'S NOTE – CHARLES MALLORY

REMINDER: If you have not already paid your dues for this year and would like to continue to be a member, please contact Charles Mallory @ (845) 783-2058 or chasm39@optonline.net. Checks should be make payable to SHGSP Club, Family \$25, Single \$20. Mail to Charles Mallory, 19 Strawberry Lane, Monroe, NY 10950. Updated membership list will be sent upon completion of dues collection.

MSA SPECIALTY SHOW ACTIVITIES

On Sunday, at our specialty, we are having a raffle that Barbara VanBlarcum is running. If you have anything you can add to our table, please be sure to let her know. Barbara always has a great table and lots of opportunities for everyone to win a prize from training sessions to baskets of cheer!!

Diane Stendahl has done a great job with trophies that will be fun and functional for those lucky enough to win one!! If you are able to come help with set up or clean up please let me know as well. Sandy and Sara will be in charge of set up and Jane in charge of clean up. If you are interested in an ad for the catalog, please reach out to John R - he would need to know immediately if you would like to place one.

I hope you can come out and support our event, either through an entry, supporting the raffle, or just coming and cheering all the dogs that are entered. Since this event is part of a 3 day specialty and Westminster weekend we will be lucky enough to see dogs from all over the country. Your support is appreciated - looking forward to seeing you there!!! - Diane Prohaska

ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER / MEETING – CHARLES MALLORY

Our club's Annual Holiday Dinner was held on December 4th, 2010 at Schlesinger's Steak House in New Windsor, New York. The event was well attended, including several guests who go out of their way to assist at many of the club's annual activities.

We had a private room, with a crackling fireplace, and were attended by two servers who made sure that everything went well. The menu featured multiple choices, six in all, from which any selection was available. With a cocktail hour preceding the dinner, it gave us time to make sure that all parties arrived before dinner was served.

Many people who attended the dinner have emailed their congratulations on finding a lovely restaurant that really catered to the needs of the club. That being said, we shall keep Schlesinger's on our list for future engagements.

See you Next year!

EAST MOUNTAIN GUN DOG TRAINING – MICHAEL HOLOMAKOFF

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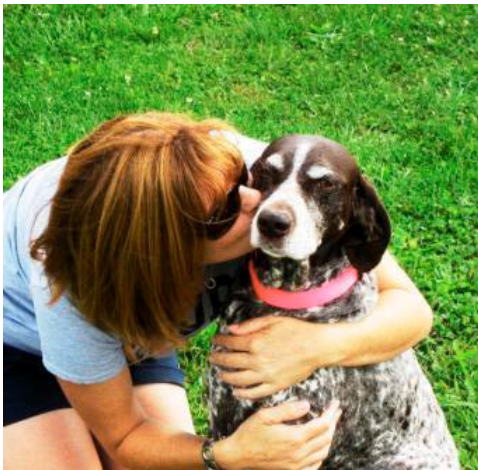
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SUNSHINE



It was with great sadness that we learned of Kenzie, beloved dog of Kristy and Pete Menner. Kenzie passed on November 15th at the age of 9.

“She was truly my fur soul mate and I feel blessed to have known her. Two days after she died I came home to a full rainbow over my property. I truly believe it was a sign she was letting me know she was in heaven.” – Kristy Menner



SHGSP CLUB AWARD CERTIFICATES – RE: UPCOMING AKC TITLES

Club Members that have attained the following AKC Titles during 2010:

Breed/Show, Field, Hunt Tests, Obedience, Rally, Tracking or Agility Titles.
Those members are eligible for Title Award Certificates in these areas of achievement.

Deadline: June 30, 2011

Send your information with details to: Sue Prohaska, 840 Mill Road, Napanoch NY 12458 (845) 647-4886 hdwyacre@aol.com

MEMBER BRAGS

"Picot" is now - BISS GrCh, Ch Shomberg's Perfect Timing

On Saturday 9-11-2010 Picot was awarded Best of Breed at the Eastern GSP Club's Specialty show in New Jersey. She was handled in the ring by Patty Crowley. We never thought that Picot would win BOB in this very large show. It is only a win that we could hope for some day. Picot is only 19 months old and has accomplished a giant step by winning this show. Thanks to all that cheered her on in the ring and a big thanks to Patty for her expert skills in the ring.

Owners: John & Ann Marie Tierney **Handler:** Pat Crowley

And at the Springfield shows held 11/25 – 11/28, Picot received three Select Bitch Awards during the four days of shows. Picot is now ranked #20 in the GSP breed standings. Not bad for only three and one half months in the breed ring. She just keeps gettin' better.



"Mister" Ch Brownwyn's MR GQ at Panamint, CD, RA, NAJ, CDX-H

On December 12, 2010 Mister received a new title, CDX-H, with a first place win at the Golden Rule School for Dogs, CDSP Obedience Trial, held in Andover, NJ

Owner/Handler: Sara Jacobs **Breeder:** Diane Stendahl

A note about CDSP: The COMPANION DOG SPORTS PROGRAM, originally introduced at St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center, allows dogs of any breed or mix, including those physically challenged, to enjoy competitive obedience and earn titles. There are currently more than 900 dogs throughout the country registered with CDSP.

For more information, please visit www.companiondogssportsprogram.com or contact Sandi Ver Sprill owner of Golden Rule School for Dogs traink9@embarqmail.com



Training with Limited Space or Time

With the onset of cold and wintry weather here in the north, many people have limited training time because of darkness and bad weather. While I have the luxury of space because I have a training building in my back yard, I don't always have the luxury of a lot of time for training. I'd like to discuss how I spend that limited time to make progress towards my goals with the 3 dogs I'm currently training.

If there is room to do so, I work on heeling. Even if I only have a few minutes, I can work on building my teamwork with my dog by doing what I call Rhythm Heeling - moving with my dog at a consistent and brisk rhythm (I still use a metronome sometimes, set at 124 steps per minute for my male Flat-Coated Retriever, 122 for my female FCR, 119 or so for my terriers), with the dog's attention on me, and maintaining a consistent position at my left side, i.e., heel position. We heel in big flowing circles, just to the right with an inexperienced dog, in either direction for the more experienced dog. When my experienced dog is working well with me - maintaining attention, position, and rhythm, I might add some turns, smaller circles, pace changes, and halts. With the inexperienced dog, I don't put these elements together until my dog can "do" Rhythm Heeling consistently well. I work on the components that will become turns, halts, and pace changes separately. I use the Rhythm Heeling exercise to limber up both me and my dog before we enter the ring at a trial.

When space is also limited, I work on what used to be called doodling. I've referred to doodling as Maneuvers for years, and it's now called rally . Doodling consists of pivots to the left and right of varying degrees; side-stepping left and right; backing up; working on fronts in several ways; working on your dog getting himself to heel position (AKA a set up); and finishes. When did you last work finishes with your dog in all sorts of oddball but qualifying locations around you? I am currently working on front position maneuvers with Ty, my youngest dog, with a dumbbell in her mouth. She is showing definite signs of improvement, but she is just beginning to remember to hold the dumbbell without mouthing while she does the small position shifts I ask her to do. She can do this minor shifts beautifully when her mouth is empty. When we add in holding her dumbbell, it is much harder for her.

In a hallway, you can work short recalls, distance position changes (verbal or signal), beginning retrieving work, dumbbell retrieves, glove retrieves with different turns before the retrieve, go-outs, moving stands, stays, scent discrimination, fronts, and finishes. You can teach your dog to touch a target with his nose or a front paw. You can use this later for working on go-outs or the broad jump. You can proof your dumbbell pickup by placing it near a distraction, such as a toy or something that looks like food but isn't. You can also work many of the rally stations.

You can simply practice your shaping skills by playing Karen Pryor's "101 things to do with a box" game, where you put a cardboard box in the center of the room and click and treat your dog for interacting with it in a different way each training session. My Border terrier Java has circled the box, jumped in the box and sat, jumped in and immediately jumped out again, jumped on the upside box, put front paws up on the side of the box, dug in a corner once inside the box...

Do you have a formal dining room that is collecting dust? Move the chairs out of the way and heel rectangles around the table, which will help your dog make tight left turns. Do you have an office chair on wheels? You can do multiple moving chair fronts, like scoot fronts, using your legs to keep your dog straight. When you run out of space, toss a cookie behind your dog, scoot yourself back across the room, and start over.

You can work on various tricks that help to build your dog's strength and flexibility, such as sitting up/begging, waving, doing figure 8's around your legs, rolling over, and spinning to the left and right.

I have been reviewing my goals for my dogs recently and updating what I want to achieve in the coming week and month. Don't forget to do this from time to time.

If your dog is too perfect at home, talk to a friend who also trains, and go train at her house. Invite her over the next time. Sometimes just adding another dog around will cause your dog to be less than perfect at home. Be creative with your limited time and space and have fun with your dog.

Until next time, happy training!

Adele Yunck
Northfield Dog Training

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