



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 1988 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.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE – KIMBERLY PETTS

Happy Fall to you all!

I want to say a huge thank you to the hunt test team, my apologies for not attending or helping to organize. I heard the day was just splendid. I have had a lot of great feedback and thanks to our club for putting on such a great event. It's so important that we have these events to keep the interest in our club and our breed. Of course we are so fortunate to be able to use Michael Holomakoff's wonderful space up in Dover Plains.

The president's award was resurrected this year and I had the honor of choosing the recipient. You'll see my words later on in the newsletter but just to say here congratulations to Denise Avery, who works so hard for our club and is so appreciated.

Just a reminder no winter show for us next year, hopefully that will be organised for 2024.

Enjoy your dogs this fall whether you are hunting, showing, hiking or sitting by a warm fire.

Kimberly.



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General Meeting
Wednesday – November 16, 2022

(Meeting Location will be sent to membership soon!!)

PRESIDENT'S AWARD – 2022: DENISE AVERY

Here is a reprint of Kimberly's speech.....

It was raised at the hunt test meeting that perhaps we should think about giving out the president's award again. It's been a real shame that the trophy Diane Stendhal donated in the memory of her Polo was side lined due to Covid...It's about time Detta gave it back.... it's got very comfy in her house for the last 3 years!

So tonight, with the help of my friends Detta & Sandy it gives me great pleasure to present it again.....virtually.

Tonight's award is given to someone who has given their time, passion and expertise selflessly. A founding member of the clubthat's 34 years of commitment....which is no mean feat, when I asked someone what positions this person had held in the club they said...

“Oh my goodness, they've been everywhere”

Everyone has felt this person's presence in the club from the way she conducted business as a former president, her work on the bylaws committee, the very successful and fun awards committee to name but a few things that she has got up to.

She hunts, shows, does rally and obedience and guess what, she writes books!

Denise, you do it all so graciously

GOAT comes to mind ...before you think farm animalsGOAT ...Greatest Of All Time..... an encyclopedia of knowledge. You are kind, professional, hardworking, dedicated and so deserving of this award.

Thank you for all have done in the past, all you do now and what's to come in the future Congratulations Denise Avery!!!



As with a lot of other things in the world, COVID took its toll on the annual SHGSPC Harvest Awards Dinner Meeting. The first one was held in 2014 and the last in 2019 with each and every one being a wonderful gathering. Unfortunately, it does not look like we will be resuming this program unless there is some interest in reviving the Awards and Dinner Committee.

The Awards Committee was formed with the purpose in mind of giving back to club members-to honor and celebrate the solid core of members that attended meetings, held offices, chaired or served on committees and worked at events. Club sponsored awards such as the President's Award, Outstanding Achievement Award and Certificate of Achievements for Titles Earned were presented at the dinner as well as individually sponsored member to member awards.

The last Awards Committee was comprised of Detta Andreana, Sandy Clark and myself along with Charley Mallory being the liaison with the Restaurant. Unfortunately, we have all taken on other roles in the club and cannot put forth the time for this committee.

***Anyone interested in taking this project on?
If so, please contact President Kim Petts or me.***



I know I say the same thing every year, but once again SHGSPC pulled off another fabulous hunt test. Admittedly, it isn't that difficult when you have the perfect grounds and venue for testing dogs in the field, the best time of the year weather-wise and a small but cohesive group of people who love seeing dogs do what they are meant to do.

For outdoorsy folks and their hunting dogs, East Mountain Shooting Preserve is a paradise. Michael Holomakoff and his family continue his Uncle Vic's legacy by maintaining the impeccable grounds and welcoming groups like ours who fancy the sight of a good dog in the field.

The morning got off on time and without a hitch. Karen Crozier had the clubhouse cozy with the smell of brewing coffee and breakfast goodies to welcome all. Jane Rae and Michael made sure we had healthy and good flying birds. Jane traveled to CT on Friday (her birthday!) to pick up the quail and Michael provided the chukar. Jim Avery, Thierry Crozier and Ray Scarth got the birds out into the field and ready for the first braces. Test Secretary, Barbara VanBlarcum always has the paperwork so well organized that all our judges have to do in check in and they were ready to go.

The day ran like a well-oiled machine. Ray taxied the judges in from the fields so they had a bit of a break from walking in between braces. Jim and Thierry gunned in the Master/Senior field and pulled double duty there as bird planters. Sandy Clark and Detta Andreana planted birds in the Junior field. As soon as the braces left the fields, both teams got the birds down so the next brace could step off as soon as the judges got to the line. Leslie Javarone and Jane helped keep everything organized between the clubhouse and outside filling in wherever needed.

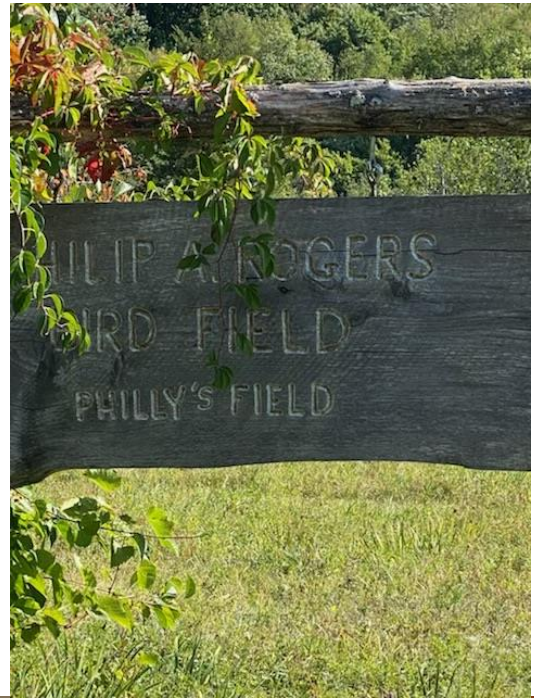
Karen also cooked an amazing lunch of pasta, meatballs, pulled pork and all the fixings. With the assistance of Johnathan Hyman, they served all who chose to partake, and I think that was just about all in attendance. Certainly, no one went away hungry as most could not resist seconds.

Besides the wonderful lunch and camaraderie during the break, we also held the scheduled general meeting expertly chaired by VP Thierry. It was very productive, very well attended and a great opportunity for recently new members Amanda and Chris Mohr and Jennifer Mott to join in. So nice to meet them. We concluded the meeting by serenading Jane and celebrating her birthday with a cake. By the scheduled 1PM start time, we were back in the fields with a repeat performance for the afternoon test.

We had many happy handlers with 23 qualifiers and several titles completed. The comments I have repeatedly heard about our tests make me proud-beautiful venue, smooth event, great hospitality, and friendly people. It is the same comments year after year. I am honored to work with such a dedicated group of SHGSPC members.

A special word of gratitude to our 2 teams of judges-Frank Cavalieri from upstate NY and Tom White from MA, and Tom Jarnich and Karen Luckey-both from Long Island, NY. These folks drove hours and then walked for many more hours to support our sport. They were patient, thorough and fair. It is difficult to secure judges these days and I am extremely appreciative for these folks.

Til next year!





Barbara VanBlarcum:

Our Lili had a busy summer. Getting her first major In Bainbridge, At Pioneer Valley in Greenfield MA she was Best in Sweepstakes on the Saturday show and Best opposite in sweeps on Sunday and at Whitney Point she picked up a few points going Best of winners two days.

She also qualified at the Sleepy Hollow hunt test, her first, with a junior hunter pass.

Last weekend she was winners bitch in Augusta for another point, and now needs only a major to finish her championship !! We are so proud of this beautiful girl !!



Diane Prohaska:

Hideaway Acres What's a Little Indulgence, INdy wins a Best Puppy in Show at her first weekend as a 4-6 puppy! So excited for this miss' future!!!



INdy



CollIN

Indy's brother CollIN wins his own Best Puppy in Show at Whitney Point in August shown, owned and loved by Cris and Mary LaRosa!

And momma Ella wins 3 Best of Breeds in August at the Augusta, NJ shows. Shes been very selectively shown this year and just comes out to play on occasion.



Detta Andreana:



Detta Andreana

On September 11, 2022 at TSDOC's UKC Nose Work trial

Mandy, "UKC-NI NV NE Cheza's Keep The Faith BN JH SWN CGCA TKN (CDSP-SN-C)"

- Earned a leg in Advanced B Interiors with a 2nd place.

Bonnie, "UKC-NC Rose Mountain's Bonnie Lass BN RI CGC TKN (CDSP-SN-C)"

- Earned a leg in Novice B Vehicles with a 3rd place, and 4th place in Novice Interiors.

Kimberly Petts:

Proud to announce that Fulham owned by myself and Jane Rae can now be known as: *BISS OHBIS CH Stonehills Naughty but Nice JH DJ* recognized by breeder Judge Dr Steve Herman at the Eastern GSP Specialty in Somerset Hills, NJ and the same day winning owner handled Best in Show.



"Kipling" *CH Jan'Z Tales Of A Magic Man JH DS* can now add BCAT and CGC CGCA to his name after a fun weekend in Alabama visiting Twiglets grandpup!

Denise Avery:

We've been busy!

Mali - Windheim's Good Gracious JH, RN

Not being shown since she was a 6 month old pup just before COVID hit, we brought her out in mid June:

6/10/22 Taconic Hills KC - WB, OH BOB & Group 2

7/23/22 Putnam KC - WB

8/6/22 Nutmeg Specialty- RWB

8/19/22 Susquenango KC - BOW for a major

9/2/22 Newton KC - WB

9/5/22 Schooley Mtn KC - BOW

10/16/22 Ramapo KC WB and a great 1st FCAT run

Mali's greatest job is being the best companion to our grandson!



Brody - Windheim's Premium Blend
7/22 & 23/22 Putnam KC BOW both days
8/7/22 Nutmeg GSPC Supported Best in Sweeps
9/5/22 Schooley Mtn KC WD TO FINISH!!



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