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*The photo on the front cover is the late Harry Fewox with his dog Uno in the 60's.
This photo is Harry Fewox with Boss just a few short years ago.*

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Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month , except July and December , at the Atlanta Humane Society, 981 Howell Mill RD, Atlanta, GA at 8:00PM. The GSDC of Atlanta encourages visitors to attend. Our next meeting is September 12, 2005.

Our guest speaker this month is Dr Ana Adams of Hamby Road Animal Hospital in Alpharetta, GA. Dr Adams is a canine reproduction specialist

Club Meeting Minutes

Club meeting minutes can be found in the members only section of the club website at www.gsdcatlanta.us

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50th Anniversary Memories

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Mrs. Michelle Billings :

Still very active as a prestigious judge, Mrs. Billings was the first President of the GSDC of Atlanta and served from 1955—1959. Michelle and her husband owned Kings Creek Kennels which was registered with the AKC in 1952, bred Ch Loa of Fama Pines who was the dam of King's Creek Winning Witch who was Winner's Bitch at the National in the early 60's and also owned Ch Doris von Voglandschos Sch III who was the 1949 Grand Victrix. Michelle along with Dick Lovelady, Don Jones, Hugh & Emma Morton, Kaye & Bill Francke, Paul Posey, Dana & Walter Everest, Wright Smith, Frank & Bobbie Cloudt, Jack & Dorothy Onofrio, Martin & Verna Hughes, Winship & Ruby Nunnally and Fran & Charlie Testa, formed the GSDC of Atlanta. They were a small group of avid GSD owners who wanted to form a club to put on matches and shows locally and promote the breed they loved so well. After serving as President, Michelle went on as a professional handler finishing 80-90 German Shepherd Dogs at a time when the classes were extremely large. She now resides in Florida.



Dr. Carmen Battaglia:

When I joined the GSDC of Atlanta in 1960, the club was a very vibrant group with many members interested in both obedience and conformation. Classes for members and non members were popular and monthly meetings were well attended. Entries were larger than today and the club worked hard to attract new members. I served as President 2 or 3 times, can't remember exactly. The club held shows as stand alone events and sometimes with the all-breed clubs. For a time Nancy chaired a special committee that she designed for new members. The club continued this committee for several years after her death. What made it special is the emphasis on learning about the breed (function, purpose, shows, obedience, schutzhund, etc). These were casual events usually at some ones home, mostly ours. Members brought food and everyone enjoyed the evening. At matches the group supported each other. Many of our members today were introduced to the breed and the sport through these meetings. No business took place at these meetings.

Dr. Battaglia is a Director of the American Kennel Club and has served as Chairman for : National Genetics Committee (German Shepherd Dog Club of America), the American Kennel Club Committee for the Future, the Operations and Planning Committee, as well as the Health and Education Delegates Committee. Dr Battaglia is the author of several different books on dog breeding and has gained worldwide recognition, most notably for the program he developed, " Breeding Better Dogs".



Dr. J. Don Jones:

Don Jones became associated with the club around 1957-1959 which was about the time the Club put on it's 1st show with Virginia McCoy judging. Virginia McCoy was a handler (in those days it was permissible for them to be both judge and handler) who was like a daughter to Lloyd Brackett and took over his Longworth Kennel name and in 1959 married Dick Vaughn and together they showed the famous "F" litter of Arbywood where all 6 littermates finished. There was only one other full litter that finished and she handled them too (Longworth litter). Don Jones joined the club in 1965 when he moved back to Atlanta from Chattanooga. He showed at a GSDC of Atlanta specialty show in 1960 under Judge Bob Williamson and his bitch won the class. Also in 1960 Sam & Bobbie Engle joined the club. Later on Bobbie married Frank DeCloudt and they bred Fritz DeCloudt and a daughter of his Decloudt's Heidi. Fritz was #2 Select behind GV Youncalla's Mike in 1966 and Heidi was BOB at the 1969 National. The big kennels in the 50's were Cosalta, Longworth and Liebstraum. Don Jones knows more about this breed than I will ever forget and has agreed impart some of that knowledge in an interview in the near future.

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showing that
he too
can pass it along.*



Puppy Leash Training

A puppy may refuse to budge while on leash one day, and try to drag you down the street on the same leash the very next day! Dogs who walk well on leash face fewer dangers and have more fun. It's well worth the time to develop this skill with your puppy.

What's this Thing on My Neck?

The first step in leash training is to get the pup used to a collar. Expect the pup to scratch at it. Put the collar on when the pup is eating and playing under your supervision. Distract the puppy from thinking about the collar.

Remove the collar only at a time when the pup is NOT trying to get out of it. If you take the collar off when the pup is obsessing over getting it off, you encourage the pup to fight the collar. To the puppy, it seems that fighting the collar worked, and got that nasty collar removed!

Just like wearing a watch or a ring feels strange to you at first, the strange sensation of a collar can annoy a dog. In the same way that your senses habituate to the jewelry, the dog will get used to the collar when handled properly. Of course the collar needs to fit and should not be of a stiff or uncomfortable design. A lightweight nylon collar with a buckle or snap is a good choice.

Remove the collar whenever your pup goes into the crate. Consult your dog's breeder and veterinarian about safety with the particular breed or mix as far as leaving a collar on when the dog is outside unsupervised. Ideally a puppy wouldn't be left outside unsupervised, but if the puppy is going to be in this situation, the risks must be weighed. Some breeds are especially prone to the collar catching on something and strangling the dog (the reason collars are to be removed whenever a dog is crated). On the other hand, a dog left outside unsupervised is at risk of being lost, and collar identification saves dogs' lives. Both of these risks are also factors for dogs outside in covered kennel runs.

Some puppy breeders give you a head start on leash-training your new puppy by tying a piece of colored yarn or rickrack around the neck of each pup. This practice varies from breeder to breeder and from breed to breed-what's ideal for some is not a good idea for others. Whether the breeder has done this or not, your puppy will likely start ignoring the sensation of wearing a collar within a few days of your conditioning.

Is This Another Tail or a Toy?

The next step is to add a leash. Some pups seem overwhelmed by an entire leash all at once. In these cases you can start with a string, shoelace, or something of the sort. Add length as the puppy gets used to it.

Experienced dog people learn that chewed leashes can be useful later, and this is one of those times. Dogs tend to chew through leashes several inches from the snap. This leaves a "tab" of leash material with a handy snap on it to attach and detach easily from the collar. Tabs occasionally come in handy for other training, too, so if your mouthy young dog "creates" one for you from a leash, be sure to save it!

Attach the leash or the short item to the collar when the puppy is eating or playing, and let the pup get used to it being there. As with the collar, don't remove it when pup is making a fuss about it. Remove it at a time the pup has forgotten it's there.

Do not leave a leash on an unattended dog. It can catch on things and trap the dog in dangerous and traumatic situations. Leashes are only safe during supervised times.

Distract your puppy into play or other interaction with you whenever the puppy seems bothered by the leash or starts to chew it. It's fine to apply Bitter Apple to the leash, but realize this substance does not last long as a chewing deterrent, and will need to be reapplied for every session. Doing this can keep leash-chewing from ever becoming a habit, and save you money, work and the worry of a loose dog.

Training Techniques

Before you pick up the other end of the leash with it attached to the puppy, you need to first put in some time conditioning your puppy to come to you and to move with you. Treats are ideal for this training. Don't be afraid the puppy will always need treats to walk on a leash. Leash walking has its own rewards, but a young puppy doesn't know that yet. The treats will help get things moving in the right direction.

Feeding time is a good time to work on this conditioning, when you have the dish in your hand and an eager puppy at your feet. Back away from the puppy. Use your body language and the puppy's name to attract the puppy to follow. Move around a bit with your puppy, making it a fun game, before putting down the dish and thus delivering a great reward.

At other times when your puppy is likely to be interested in games and treats, use a bit of food from the puppy's next meal to condition the puppy to look at you and move with you. Keep moving away from the puppy, encouraging the puppy to follow you. Young puppies naturally do this anyway, so the training is easy and fun.

At all times, be prepared to reward your puppy with little treats, games and other things the puppy likes, for moving with you, coming to you, and looking at you. Make this a habit, and develop your body language and voice to what works best with THIS puppy.

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Each puppy is different. Pups have different things they like best, and different things they respond to in different ways. You can build your puppy's desires to interact with you by how you use your praise, treats, petting, and the games you and your puppy play together. All of this factors into your leash training as well as all other training, both in puppyhood and later.

The Leash Has Two Ends

With your puppy used to the presence of the leash attached to the collar and used to moving with you, you're ready to pick up the free end of the leash. Now it's time to visualize the real goal of leash walking.

When a dog freezes up on leash and won't move, obviously you can't get anywhere. So part of the goal is for the dog to relax when wearing a leash. You're off to the right start there, having conditioned your dog to the presence of the leash with no pressure.

A dog pulling on leash can suffer damage to the throat, which is potentially very serious in some breeds. The person trying to hold the other end of the leash may not be able to control the pulling dog, and can even be injured. Therefore a huge part of our goal in leash training is to teach the dog to walk with the leash LOOSE, no pulling. This is not only for the purpose of having control, but also to be humane to the dog.

Ironically, it's not the dog who causes the pulling-on-leash problem. Humans instinctively hold the leash tight. A dog's completely normal and natural response to a tight leash is to pull. If the dog did not pull against the pressure, the dog would be constantly off-balance.

From the first minute you pick up the leash, keep it loose. Follow the dog at times, and at other times use the skills you have been developing to induce your dog to follow you. Resist the impulse to pull the dog around on leash, or even to guide the dog with the leash. Work hard at remembering to communicate through your voice, body language and various motivators. Keep building those abilities! Keep your attention on your mental communication with the dog, rather than trying to communicate through the leash.

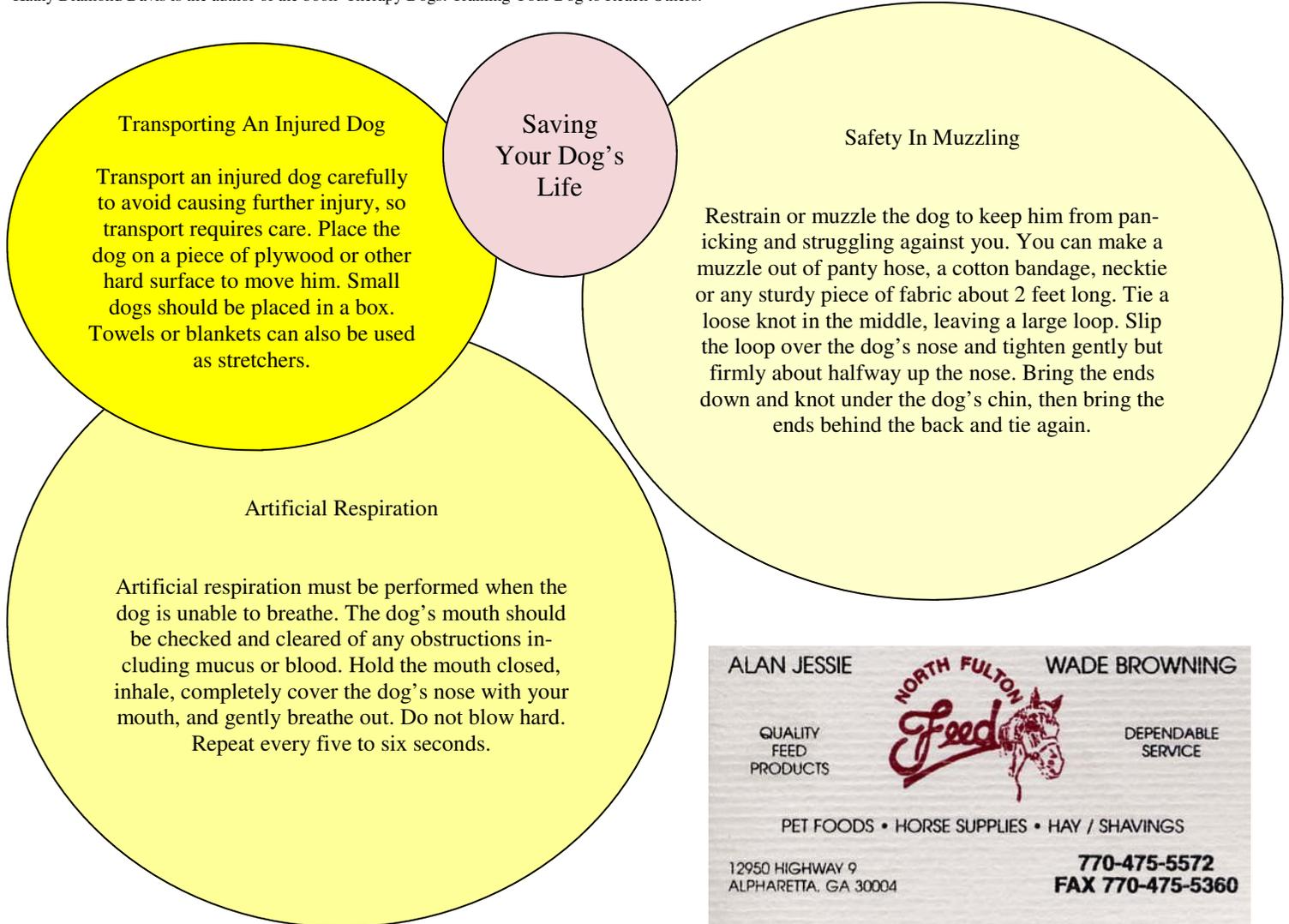
If your puppy makes an attempt to pull you, your job is to stand still. The message to the puppy is simply that pulling on the leash is fruitless. It doesn't work. When things don't work, people and dogs eventually quit doing those things! You can help yourself and your puppy so very much by making sure that right from the start, pulling on the leash never works for your puppy. Then pulling will never become a habit, and your puppy will be spared innumerable problems-as will you!

As soon as the puppy notices that trying to pull you didn't work because you stopped, switch into your attention-getting, puppy-follow-me mode, and get that puppy moving with you! This is the game. And to a puppy, it really does need to be a game. Make it fun for the puppy. It will be fun for you, too, and that's one of the great benefits of living with dogs!

A Great Start

If this training seems like a lot of effort, the truth is that raising a puppy IS a lot of effort. The puppy is constantly learning, no matter what you do or don't do. It's actually less work, and much more fun, to shape the learning in the right direction. Doing a good job of conditioning your puppy to the leash helps with many other important dog behaviors at the same time. Have a great time leash-walking with your puppy!

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Wholesome nutrition is the key to maintaining a healthy immune system and resistance to disease. Commercial foods ingested by animals on a regular basis may not be balanced in terms of major nutrients, minerals and vitamins, and some continue to add chemicals to the final product to enhance its stability and shelf-life. Nutritional deficiencies or imbalances as well as exposures to various chemicals, drugs and toxins present a continual immunological challenge which can suppress immune function, especially in those animals genetically susceptible to immune dysfunction (immune deficiency, autoimmunity, allergies).

Genetic differences between individuals lead to quantitative variations in dietary requirements for energy and nutrient needs, and to maintain health. Also, genetic defects may result in inborn errors of metabolism that affect one or more pathways involving nutrients or their metabolites. While minimal and maximal nutrient requirements have been established for most vitamins and trace mineral elements, optimum amounts for every individual cannot be assumed. Examples of important vitamin and mineral requirements in this regard include vitamin C, vitamin E and selenium, vitamin A, copper and vitamin B-12. Similarly, a wide variation occurs in the energy needs of dogs depending on their breed, age, sex, and size.

Nutritional factors that play an important role in immune function include zinc, selenium and vitamin E, vitamin B-6 (pyridoxine), and linoleic acid. Deficiency of these compounds impairs both humoral as well as cell-mediated immunity. The requirement for essential nutrients increases during periods of rapid growth or reproduction and also may increase in geriatric individuals, because immune function and the bioavailability of these nutrients generally wanes with aging. As with any nutrient, however, excessive supplementation can lead to significant clinical problems, many of which are similar to the respective deficiency states of these ingredients. Supplementation with vitamins and minerals should not be viewed as a substitute for feeding premium quality fresh and/or commercial pet foods.

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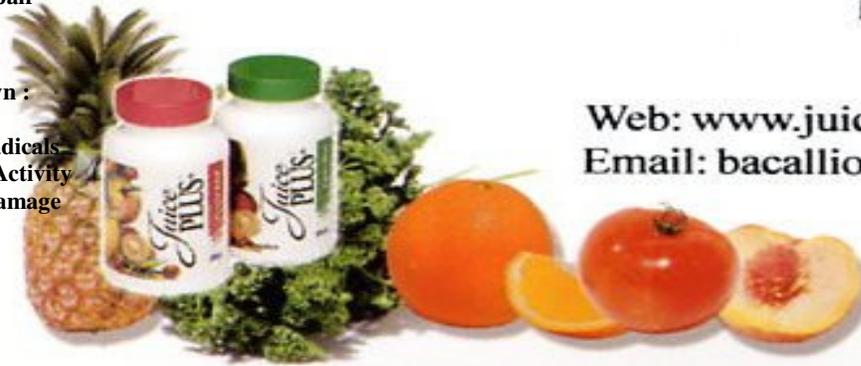
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FOUNDER'S EFFECT

by
Carmen L. Battaliga

When a popular sire appears in so many pedigrees that it causes the gene pool of a breed to drift in the direction of that sire, the gene pool loses genetic diversity and the phenomena is called the "Founders Effect". The underlying fear from this phenomenon is that one dog will have an extraordinary effect on his breed through his genetic influence. This includes not only his qualities but whatever detrimental recessives he carries. The excessive use of inbreeding and line breeding on such a dog will further reduce genetic diversity. Eggleston (2000) reported on the range of genetic diversity among the AKC breeds. She constructed a continuum for all of the breeds. At one extreme she placed the Bull Terriers which had the least amount of genetic diversity. This means that they tend to be line or inbred. At the other extreme were the Jack Russell Terriers who she found to have the most amount of genetic diversity. This means their pedigrees were for the most part the result of outcross breedings. This meant that the ancestors tended to be unrelated to each other.

In the world of purebred registered dogs, it can easily be demonstrated that the most popular dogs are those who are more likely to have influence over future generations. At the same time these same animals can also be shown to have contributed a disproportionately higher number of defective genes into the gene pool of their breed. In the case of a "Founder", who is usually a popular stud dog, there are four reasons to explain why such a dog will have produced a higher number of defective traits than other stud dogs who are not well known and who are used less often.

A prominent stud dog including a "Founder" is usually well known and popular. This is because the breeders choose to use them based on what they produce and their winning offspring that have been observed by many exhibitors and breeders. If several poor quality pups are produced, gossip about them usually spreads quickly which causes others to avoid using them. Hence, their status is reduced to a lower popularity.

It can also be shown that there are other sires that will have produced the same defects. Less will be known about these sires because they will be used less often and they will have fewer litters and offspring to be seen. These less popular studs may have produced the same number of defective traits and health problems, but the gossip about them is controlled and minimized because fewer breeders are involved and there are less offspring to be seen. It must be remembered that in order for a genetic disease or a recessive trait to exist in a breed there must be three kinds of dogs. Those that are affected, the carriers, and the normals. Suffice it to say that popular sires and those called the "Founder", are animals that are widely used. These dogs will have a better chance to come in contact with carrier bitches, which is why they will have more opportunities to produce genetic problems than the other stud dogs that are only bred a few times.

When a pedigree begins to show an over emphasis on one individual, the traits of that individual are generally well known. It makes no sense to exclude such a dog, a "Founder" or one of his close relatives without good reason. It must be remembered that each time a breeding occurs, one half of the genes of the sire and one half of the genes of the dam are carried forward to their new pups. By the third generation, only 25% of the grand parent's genes are carried forwarded. The impact of one dog even if he were the "Founder" would have been minimized.

TABLE 1. RELATIONSHIP OF ANCESTORS

Relationship	Common Ancestor	Coefficient of Inbreeding
Father/daughter	1/2 on sire	.25
Mother/son	1/2 on dam	.25
Brother/sister	2/2 grandsire 2/22 grand dam	.25
Paternal half sibs	2/2 on grandsire	12.5
Maternal half sibs	2/2 on grand dam	12.5
First cousins	3/3 grandsire 3/3 grand dam	
	4/4 on ancestor	6.25 .78

When a stud dog that is closely related to the "Founder", is bred to an unrelated bitch only 50% of his genes will appear in their pups. Thus, the effect of the "Founder" is reduced and will continue to be reduced in each subsequent generation simply by using an outcross. These breedings will dissipate rather than concentrate the genes needed to retain and strengthen traits. The continued use of an outcross is equivalent to throwing genes away. A better strategy is to analyze each pedigree that includes the "Founder" or one of his other close relatives to see what traits and risks are involved.

In every breeding there will be some degree of risk. The key is to minimize the potential for problems. For example, if the "Founder" was a quality dog known to produce desired traits it would make no sense to eliminate him or a pedigree with him in it just because he had produced an undesirable trait. If the "Founder" was a popular dog what he produced is a reflection of the pedigrees bred to him.

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Because he was popular explains why he has produced some or all of the undesirable traits known to his breed. A certain percentage of these bitches will have been carriers. Avoiding these popular dogs because of a known fault provides a false sense of security based on undefined "fears". It makes more sense to make decisions about their use after their pedigree has been analyzed for breadth and depth of the traits desired along with what they have produced.

Planned breedings are the best way to avoid problems. A breeder's objective is to find the best stud dog for each bitch. Experienced breeders know there are always risks. It is the novice who continues too avoid using the popular sires because they have produced faults. Their preference is to use unknown and untested dogs that have little or no track record. Experienced breeders know to avoid using these untested sires because they represent test breedings most of which are nothing more than the breeding of "likes to likes", "winners to winners" etc. These are not effective ways to retain traits. A series of planned breedings using a variety of relatives (close and distant) has been shown to be a superior method.

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Sire: 2x Am/Can GV Ch Marquin's Xtra ! Xtra ! ROM OFA H/E
 Dam: Melana's Obsession v Cihu HIC OFA H/E (2 Ch / 1 qualifier)

8 points / both majors. 2003 GSDCA 2nd 6-9 Month Puppy Dog. Murphy is a large, stallion male with large bone and head, full dentition and coal black eyes. He has a long powerful stride with an exceptional forehand, strong ligamentation and is squeaky clean on both ends. Murphy has sired 5 litters to date and is proving dominant for large bone, substance, topline, angles, movement and great temperament. Watch for his progeny soon in the SE, NE and GL regions. BC/VC required.
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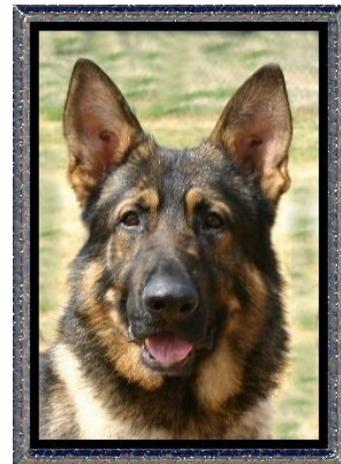


BISS Ch Adlegard's Yancy v Marquin

Sire : 2x Am/Can GV Ch Marquin's Xtra ! Xtra ! ROM OFA H/E
 Dam : Schneiderhof's Highland Treasure (Ch Highlander ROM daughter)

Yancy is a multiple BOB winning medium sized (64 cm) male with bone, substance and depth. Yancy has been turning heads all over the SE and to date has 11 Specialty BOB wins in addition to his Best In Show win. He is currently working in rally, tracking. Herding and SAR in addition to occasional forays into the breed ring. Yancy's "New Jersey" litter will be making their debut at the Nationals this year. BC/VC/DVC is required.

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Ch Kagen's Boston Pops OFA GS-69003G28M-PI GS-EL16290M28-PI

Sire: Farmil's Stealth of Kagen HIC
 Dam: Kagen's Ragtime, HIC OFA

Boss is a medium sized, deep bodied male with a dark plush coat, excellent bone, strong pasterns, tight compact feet, strong back, good ligamentation and a long striding correct gait. He has proven proficient in both rings with multiple herding group wins as well as specialty breed wins. Boss, with limited breedings, is producing heavy bone, excellent secondary sex characteristics, dark plush coats and excellent temperament. To date, he has not produced long coats or off colors. VC/BC is required

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Aska vom Betenhaus BH, OFA H/E

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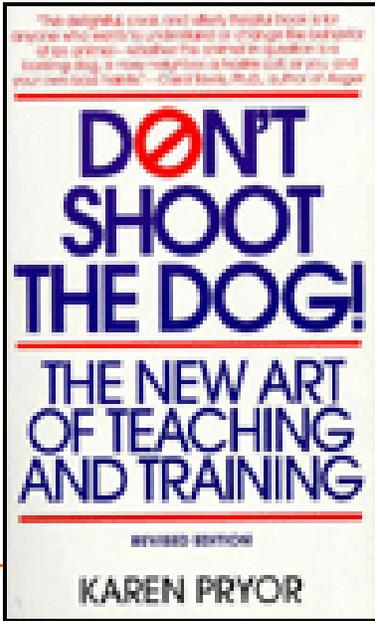
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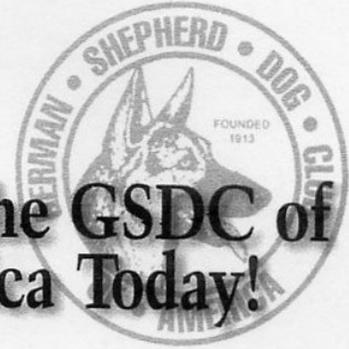
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~~~~~ Gene Hill

membership application



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## German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. Application for Membership

**Requirements:** Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Membership includes subscription to *The German Shepherd Dog Review*.

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***The German Shepherd Dog Club Of Atlanta, Inc along with donations gathered at our Responsible Dog Ownership Day September 11, 2005 , has donated \$ 1027.00 to Georgia Veterinary Specialists who will match those funds and donate them to Louisiana State University Veterinarian Hospital for the aide and care of the animal victims of Hurricane Katrina .  
Way To Go GSDC of Atlanta !!!***

### *Responsible Dog Ownership Day*

The combined German Shepherd Dog Clubs of Atlanta, North Georgia and West Georgia hosted AKC's Responsible Dog Ownership Day on Sunday September 11, 2005. The turnout was small with 43 visitors and 20+ Club members , but with the help of many, we had a well organized event . Those attending enjoyed watching the demonstrations of Agility, Obedience and Rally Obedience. Some enjoyed taking their dogs on some of the equipment and getting a taste of the fun it could be. One of our Junior Handlers gave Junior Handling demonstrations, which the kids attending thought was really neat. We did pretty well on the micro chip clinic. Thanks to Drs. Larry Gerlach, Sally Forsyth and James Moore, Vet tech Cindy Redwine of Woodstock Animal Hospital and assistants Sarah and Douglas Gerlach for taking time out of their Sunday to hold a rabies clinic for us. Our visitors seemed to really enjoy getting their dogs out among the other dogs and dog people and we hope each one came away with a little more knowledge on how to be a responsible dog owner. Thanks to Patty Johnson and Floyd Pickett who donated and prepared hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks etc for the visitors and then donated ALL the \$127.00 in proceeds to our Katrina fund.

The Cherokee County Humane Society went away impressed with us and our many well mannered GSD's and have invited us and our dogs to consider attending and assisting them in some events that they have coming up in the spring. Thanks also go out to Ken Wallace and the other owners of Playful Paws Doggy Daycare for inviting us to use their premises for the event. Quite a few got together just to relax and chat, which we don't get to do often enough. And finally a large pat on the back and thanks to Lee Jewell for her tireless labor before and during the event. She made it a lot easier on me.

*Denise Groenewald*



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