



The Guardian

A Monthly Publication of the German Shepherd Dog
Club of Atlanta, Inc.

August 2014 ISSUE

From the President:

On July 12 the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta had a great turn out for our CLUB AWARDS PICNIC. It rained hard the night before but the day of the Picnic dawned clear and sunny and cooler than previous days. PERFECT FOR OUR OUTING!

Thanks to Barbara Stamper and family for hosting this event. A few took advantage of the beautiful pool to take a dip. The pond was lovely surrounded by colorful flowers; we gathered in the yard and had fun observing puppies. Club members contributed to a wonderful selection of various foods all of which was enjoyed by all. We have VERY GOOD COOKS in our club!!!

It was so good to see Pauline Moon at the Awards Picnic. She looks great after undergoing serious surgery, not once but twice. Stay well Pauline and congratulations on your awards.

In August we are fortunate to have an excellent program. YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THIS PROGRAM. This is a great opportunity to learn more about obedience and other kinds of training. Mark Spivak, Founder and owner of CPT - (Comprehensive Pet Training) will share his success with us and will take questions from the audience as time allows.

Everyone is welcome! See you there

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Items of interest and reminders:

1. ***Special Note:*** Helen Chamblee a long-time members of our Club has undergone successful brain surgery and is now in hospice. Please keep Helen and her family in your thoughts and prayers.
2. [Our website](#) free listings of litters and dog advertisements for 90 days.
3. **Members and Breeders of Merit** are listed free on our website
4. **Free listings of litters**, website, stud dog etc. Contact me.
5. **Shows and Matches** see below
6. August agenda – exciting speaker, don't miss it. See below for details
7. Remember, bring your dog, have fun and learn better manners

Your participation can help.

COMPLIMENTARY ISSUES OF GUARDIAN : **Send a copy to puppy buyers, friends/prospective members. Contact Joan Turner (404) 285 - 4152.**

Information about the German Shepherd Dog Club of America Inc.: **Contact: www.GSDCA.org**

MINUTES OF CLUB MEETINGS: **Posted on the website.**


NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS:

NEW MEMBERS:

Guests at July Meeting:

Do Not Forget To Visit The Club's [Website](#) for regular updates and special announcements.

German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta

Newsletter ranked # 3 in 2011 and 2012 and # 2 in 2012. In the Regional Club Challenge we were 1st in 2011, honorable mention in 2012 and #1 in 2013. 



THE CLUB

Records are vague, but it seems that The German Shepherd Club of Atlanta was founded in the 1955 when a small group of breeders and owners interested in the German Shepherd Dog met in Atlanta Georgia.

The first president was Mrs. Michelle Leathers Billings who passed away in October 2013. Their purpose was the improvement of the breed.

Today the Clubs goal is the same. Through programs and activities members learn about all aspects of the German Shepherd Dog, including mental and physical development; the breed standard, working ability, breeding, care and rearing of puppies, etc.

Programs are presented at monthly meetings held on the second Thursday of month, except for July, October The meeting is at 8:00 pm unless changes are published in the Guardian. Both prospective members and non-members are welcome. The club holds numerous special events including two breed Specialties shows each year, which includes Obedience and Rally. Puppy matches, Temperament Testing and AKC Good Citizen tests are often scheduled through the year.

In July, at the Annual Awards Banquet, trophies are presented to members whose dogs have earned titles over the year. A Holiday party is held in December. If there is an interest, show handling classes are offered to members.

Sept 27 & 28, 2014, GSDC Atlanta Show - Conformation Judge: Sept 27 & 28, 2014 Dr. Firouz Shahrokhi and Kevin Reynolds.

Location: Wills Park. See website for details. www.gsdcatlanta.org

Show Chair - Andrea Washburn

October 3-11, 2014 - German Shepherd Dog Club Of America National - St. Louis, Purina Farms, MO.

2015 N. GA GSDC - Host of a show and GSDCA Futurity in Ellijay, GA.

September 26 & 27 , 2015. GSDC of Atlanta Speciality Show



August 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Training Class begins
3	4	5	6 Board Meeting Guests are welcome	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Club meeting	15	16 Augusta KC All Breed Show
17 Augusta All Breed Show	18	19	20	21 Griffin All Breed Show	22 Sawnee Mt All Breed Show	23 Lawrenceville All Breed Show
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TRAINING CLASSES -

Begins on Saturday, August 2nd at 10 AM, will run for six weeks at a cost of \$50.00

Enrollment Time 9:30 AM - Saturday August 2, 2014.

Location: 3301 Windy Ridge Parkway Atlanta, GA 30339.

Format: Classes meet once a week for 6 weeks.

Non Club Member Cost: \$50.00 Club Member Cost: \$25

Classes to be offered: Puppy Class: Introduction to learning to work together; basic dog behaviors on command. : Preparation for AKC Canine Good Citizen test. Includes, loose-leash walking and coming when called.

AKC Canine Good Citizen test will be offered on the last class day.

All dogs must have proof of current vaccines, including Bordetella.

To Register or for questions: E-mail: TRAINING DIRECTOR, STEVE RAPER: stever6757@aol.com

Directions for training:

I-75 South Bound.


Go south on I-75 to Exit 260 - Windy Hill Rd./Smyrna - Turn Left on Windy Hill Road for 0.7 miles. Turn right on Powers Ferry Road for 0.5 miles. Turn left onto Windy Ridge Pkwy, and then turn right into the first driveway. The parking garage is straight ahead.

Directions: From other points in Atlanta.

Take I-285 to Northbound I-75 and/or follow I-75 north. Continue northbound on I-75 to Exit 260 - Windy Hill Rd/Smyrna. Turn right on Windy Hill Road for 0.7 miles. Turn right on Powers Ferry Road for 0.5 miles. Turn left onto Windy Ridge Pkwy, and then turn right into the first driveway. The parking garage is straight ahead.

Bring "pooper-scooper" and your dog's drinking water, bowl, and favorite treats. Bring a six-foot cloth or leather leash. To learn more about the Canine Good Citizen test, go to akc.org. .

For more information about training contact: Training Director- Steve Raper, () stever6757@aol.com; or assistant Training Director – Erika Tracy at: gramma510@hotmail.com, 678-642-9303. .

<p>Jessica finished she and Barbara's New Champion. Jessica garnered all the points necessary for the new Ch title including two majors, defeating top</p>	 <hr/> <p><u>BRAGS</u></p>
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From left to right: Barbara Stamper – Conformation – “Ch Barick’s Turmoil in DC”, Joye Evans – Agility - OAP Open Agility Preferred -“Kimberlites Twist’n Shout”, Ericka Tracy Obedience - CD “Bar-Mills Tales of Hoffman”, Kim McNamara – Conformation, “Grand Ch Kimberlites Give My Love to Rose”, Pauline Moon – Conformation – “Grand Champion Ch Ropaja’s C’est Cache”, - Register of Merit – “BIS Ch Ropaja’s Chateau Beaujolais” - 13 Year Club – “Ch Ropaja’s Chateau Beaujolais”, Jessica Ball – Conformation – “Ch Barick’s Turmoil in DC”,

MICROCHIPS - Contact: Connie Irvine - 770)507 7408. She has chips for \$10/chip

PICTURES - Fall Show at www.gsdcatlanta.org Members can list litters/dogs FREE. Contact CarmenBattaglia513@gmail.com

CLUB MEETINGS – Held pm 2nd Thursday of each month at 8PM except for July, September, and December. Visitors welcome, no need to call, just come.

Directions to Club Meetings – Atlanta Humane Society, 981 Howell Mill Road, NW, Atlanta GA, 30318.

More directions – See: www.GSDCAtlanta.org

August Program - Our Program Chair, Betty Ann Frederick, has engaged Mark Spivak for August. Mark is the founder of CPT (Comprehensive Pet Training). He excels in various methods of obedience training, assistance dog training, obedience competition including the sport of Schutzhund. Mark has trained dogs in all levels of obedience including tracking, and has earned Schutzhund titles on his own German Shepherds. Additionally, Mark has authored articles on all aspects of training. To learn more about CPT type in : Cpt-training.com/markspivak

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Members of the GSD Atlanta can help. Go to www.gsdatlanta.org and see how you and your dog can help. Contact Stacey Pollio (404) 353 - 0588

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING AND OTHER LISTINGS

Available to all members of the Atlanta and North Georgia German Shepherd Clubs.

Free litter and dog advertisement for 90 days. Your dog's picture is free for one year.

Paid advertisements for stud dogs, kennels and breeders are \$12/year

Erika Tracy has a couple of short essays and a puppy - training book

Breeders of Merit are listed on the websites of: American Kennel Club, German Shepherd Dog Club of America and German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta

For more information contact me: cbattaglia@mindspring.com.

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS is on the 15th of the month prior to issue.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH - The AKC has always opposed breed bans on the basis that there are no bad dogs, just bad owners.

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