



# The Guardian

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

MAY 2014 ISSUE

**Remember ....at club meetings ...Bring your dog & learn about the  
GSD**

**Items of interest and reminders:**

**Election of Judges at the May meeting. Election of officers at June  
meeting. Come and meet other members while you vote. See details  
below.**

1. **Several Matches are posted** – a good place to show and train – see details below
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

Nancy Harper-Mulvaney , Pauline Forman & Elaine LeRoy make up our judges nominating committee and Betty Ann Fredricks, Barbara Stamper & Joye Evans make up the officers committee. These are both important committees and both need your input. Please if you have any ideas for judges, contact one of the judges committee members or if you are interested on being on the board or a officer , contact a member of that committee. They welcome your comments and suggestions. This is your club and we need your participation and help.

**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.

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**Information about the German Shepherd Dog Club of America Inc. Contact: [GSDCA](#)**

### **Election of Officers - June Meeting**

**Slate of Officers prepared by the Nomination Committee are as follows. For:**

**President - Nancy Harper-Mulvaney**

**Vice President/Training Director - Steve Raper**

**Secretary - Genie Jones**

**Treasurer - Sara Wolfe**

**Member-At-Large - Connie Irvine, Betty Ann Frederick**

**Past President - Joan Turner**

**Newsletter Editor - Carmen Battaglia**

**DATE: 4/28/14 - Slate of Officers has been submitted at least 2 (two) weeks prior to the May meeting per Club BY-LAWS**

**Respectfully Submitted by Nominating Committee  
Betty Ann Frederick - Chair, committee: Barbara Stamper, Joye Evans**

## **May 2014**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Training Class 7 PM	7	8 Club Meeting Election	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 GSDC Atlanta Match	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Griffin Match

### **GSDC Atlanta Match – May 18, B/OB Conformation Specialty and All-Breed, Rally/Obedience Match**

**Parker Road Park, 1400 Park Road, Conyers, GA 30094**

**Erika Tracy and Barbara Stamper, Match Co-chairs, Betty-Ann Frederick, Match Secretary**

**210 Franklin Farms Circle Fayetteville GA 30214 (770)-639-0747 bettyann11.16@gmail.com**

**Registration - 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Judging at 11 a.m.**

**Conformation Judge: Gene Workman Rally Judge: Lynda Bragg-Workman**

**Obedience Judge: Lynda Bragg-Workman**

**Lunch break at judges' discretion; food (hot dogs, hamburgers, vegetarian chili) and drinks will be available. There will also be a booth displaying arts, businesses, and books of the club's members.**

**Entry fee \$7; make check payable to German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc.**

**Directions: From I-20 take Exit 82 (GA 138 & 20) and go south. Turn right on Old Salem Road (becomes Iris Drive), drive 0.8, and turn left at Commercial Drive (before the bank). Turn left again onto Parker Road. The park is on the left; the match grounds are on the far end from the tennis center.**

**A Canine Good Citizen test will be offered when the match is finished.**

**Dog's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sex (circle one): Dog Bitch Birth Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Breed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sire:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dam:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Breeder:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle Class or Classes Entered**

**Conformation (Divided by sex) Jr. Showmanship Obedience Rally**

**Puppy 3-6 Months, 6-9 Months, 9-12 Months, Adult, Novice, Open, Veteran, Junior, Intermediate, Senior**

**Beginner Novice A/B, Novice A/B, Graduate Novice, Open A/B, Graduate Open, Utility A/B, Novice, Advanced, Excellent,**

**North Georgia Working Group Association, Inc.** Fun Match, Saturday, May 10, 2014.  
Details to follow in our next issue.

**MAY 31, 2014 GRIFFIN GEORGIA KENNEL CLUB Match B/OB MATCH,**

**PLUS RALLY, SATURDAY, GRIFFIN CITY PARK, PAVILION #2.**

**[WWW.GRIFFINGEORGIAKENNELCLUB.ORG](http://WWW.GRIFFINGEORGIAKENNELCLUB.ORG)**

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

Location: Wills Park

**MINUTES OF CLUB MEETINGS:** Posted on the [website](#).

**NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS** **None pending**

**NEW MEMBERS:**

**Guests at March Meeting:** Debbie Club, David H Qlan, Mark J. Hoban, and Irvin Roberts, Frances Crumel

**TRAINING CLASSES** – Start

The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta is offering Obedience Classes:

Starting Date: Tuesday, May 6 End Date: Tuesday, June 24 8 week classes

Enrollment Time 7:00 -- 7:15 May 6

Location: 3301 Windy Ridge Parkway Atlanta, GA 30339.

Format: Classes meet once a week for 8 weeks, each lasting 45 minutes.

Non Club Member Cost: \$75 Club Member Cost: \$25

Classes to be offered:

- 7:15 Puppy Class: Introduction to learning to work together; basic dog behaviors on command..
- 7:15 CGC: Preparation for AKC Canine Good Citizen test. Includes loose-leash walking and coming when called.
- 8:00 Detection Class: Nosework scents will be used and provided. (prerequisite: decent public manners, a solid sit, down OR stand.)

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: Erika Tracy [gramma510@hotmail.com](mailto:gramma510@hotmail.com), phone: (678) 642 - 9303

Directions: 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](http://akc.org). Classes held – each Tuesday.

**For more information about training contact:** Vice President/Training Director – Erika Tracy at: [gramma510@hotmail.com](mailto:gramma510@hotmail.com), 678-642-9303.

<p>None yet this month but Gene Workman in Augusta has a few pups for sale 707) 825 6837</p>	
<p><b>BRAGS</b></p>	

**Erika Tracy reported that her Dustin (Bar-Mill Tales of Hoffman) finished his Companion Dog title on February 2nd.**

**Erika Tracy** has a couple of [short essays](#) and a puppy - [training book](#)

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

**PICTURES** Fall Show at [www.gsdcatlanta.org](http://www.gsdcatlanta.org) Members can list litters/dogs FREE. Call [Carmen Battaglia](#) or [email](#)

**CLUB MEETINGS** – Held pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 8PM except for July, October 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](#)

**May Program** - Our program will be -----

**CLUB OFFICERS:**

**President:** Joan Turner, 404) 285 – 4152, [Missmicgsd@windstream.net](mailto:Missmicgsd@windstream.net) **Vice President:** Vice President/Training Dir. - Erika Tracy- [gramma510@hotmail.com](mailto:gramma510@hotmail.com), 678- 642-9303

**Secretary:** Genie Jones, 341 Macedonia Rd SE, Atlanta 30354, 404 229 5643

**Treasurer:** Sara Wolfe, 3332 Ethan Dr., Marietta, GA 30062; 404-543-2548;

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Past

**President:** Betty Ann Frederick, 210 Franklin Farms Circle, Fayetteville, GA 30214; 770-639-0747; [bettyann11.16@gmail.com](mailto:bettyann11.16@gmail.com)

**Members At Large:** Barbara Stamper, 4142 Merle Court, McDonough, GA 30252; 770-922-0969; barickshep@bellsouth.net and Jessica Ball

**Newsletter Editor:** Carmen Battaglia, 335 Wexford Glen, Roswell, GA 30337; 770-998-3679; cbattaglia@mindspring.com

**Breeder Referral:** Andrea Washburn, 263 Lynn Dr., Fayetteville, GA 30215 770-460-6776; NO EMAIL ADDRESS

**Regional Club Challenge - Members of the GSD Atlanta can help. Go to [www.gsdcatlanta.org](http://www.gsdcatlanta.org) and see how you and your dog can help. Contact Stacey Pollio (404) 353 - 0588**

### COMMITTEES

- Club Phone - ----- Andrea Washburn, (770) 245-0514
- Hearts & Flowers ----- Jan Eason, (678 -549-2113
- Herdng ----- Helen Chamblee, (770) 466-0157
- Library ----- Joan Turner, (404) 285 - 4152
- Internet/website ----- Dr. Carmen Battaglia, (770) 998 - 3679
- Audit ----- Nancy Harper, John Pollio & Andy Carolus
- Equipment ----- Barbara Stamper, (770) 922- 0969
- Obedience----- Elaine Leroy, (770) 504 -1218
- Regional Challenge ----- Stacey Pollio, (404) 353 - 0588
- Versatility ----- Joye Evans, (770) 438-2285
- Awards & Banquet ----- Barbara Stamper, (770) 922- 0969
- Working Dog Assoc. ----- Betty Ann Fredrick, (770) 639-0747
- Trophy Chair ----- Renee West (404) 449- 4798

### 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

**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](mailto:cbattaglia@mindspring.com).

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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS** is on the 15<sup>th</sup> 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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