

# G.S.Paws Newsletter

The Official Publication of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Canada



**BISS Am Can CH Nuthatch's  
Snowy River Rider**



**October - December 2016**

## On The Cover

### *BISS Am Can CH Nuthatch's Snowy River Rider*

"Dundee" goes BOS over multiple champions at the Ontario Regional Specialty under breeder judge Francois Bernier, held in conjunction with the Caledon shows. Dundee was only a few months shy of 10 years old at the time. He has had a long career with many wins including being the number #5 GSP in Canada in 2011 in all breed points and #2 in breed points, a year in which he was only shown 3 weekends in this country, and more recently Best Veteran at the National Specialty. In the whelping box, he has produced multiple champions and field titled dogs in Canada, the US and Colombia, including NBISS Am Ch Can GCh Topthat's I'm Sexy N I Know It. Out of Austr Ch Zigeuner Nimrod R (imported semen from Australia) and Nuthatch's Mustang Sally, Dundee is OFA good, CERF clear, OFA cardiac good, CD (by parentage) and LD (tested) clear.

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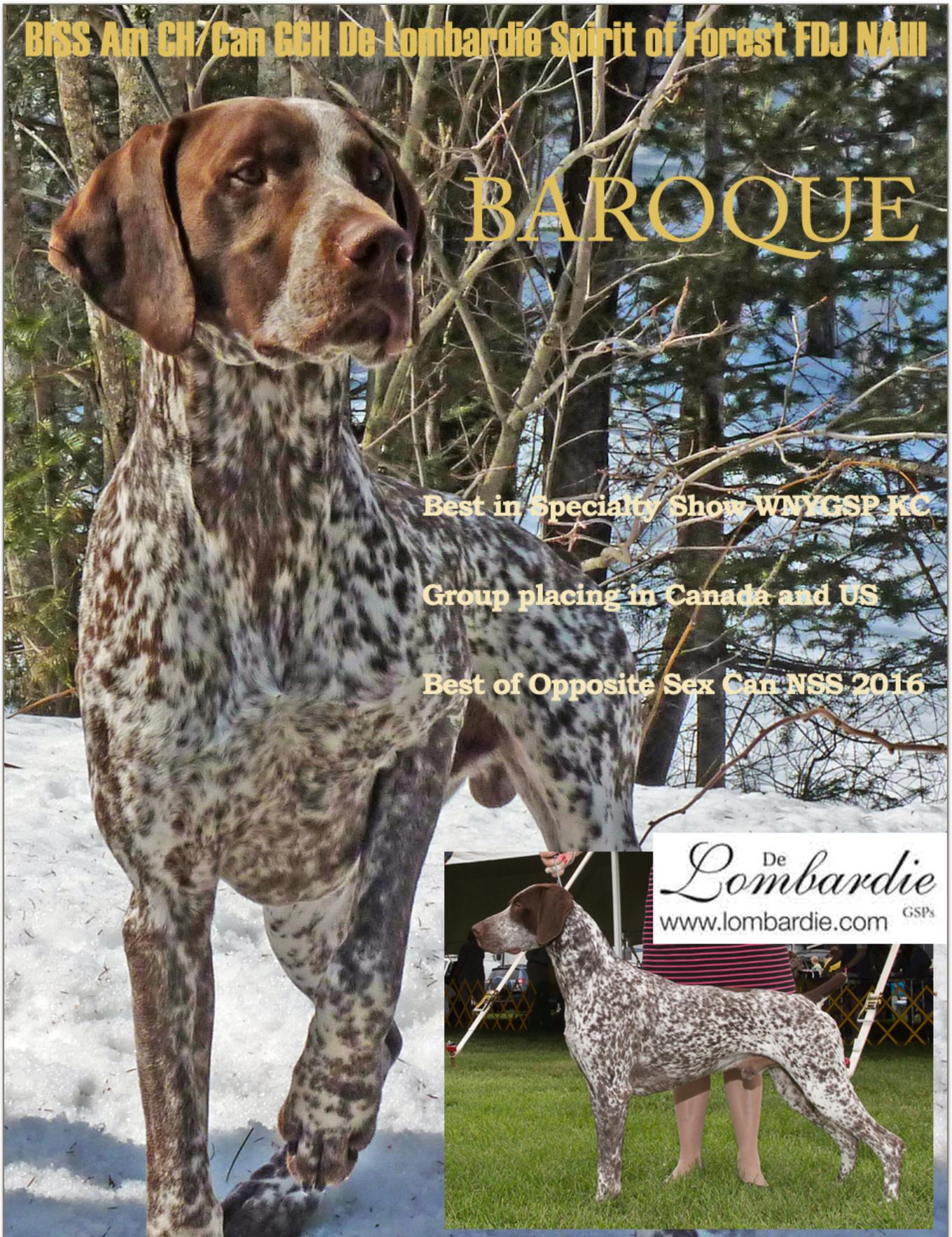
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## 2016 GSP Field Trial Results - CKC Competitions

### By Arwen Dabb

Points are calculated using the standard CKC format; based on the number of dogs defeated, multiplied by four for first place, three for second place, two for third place and one for fourth place.

#### *Open Puppy*

<b>Dog's Name</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Points</b>
WindRip's Midnight Blue	Dabb	56

#### *Open Derby*

<b>Dog's Name</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Points</b>
WindRip's Midnight Blue	Dabb	52
Snip's Trigger Juventino	Fedele	5

#### *Amateur Shooting Dog*

<b>Dog's Name</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Points</b>
AFTCh Hiddenview's Deck Is Stacked	Werewka	224
Ch WindRip's High Voltage	Dabb	84

#### *Open Shooting Dog*

<b>Dog's Name</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Points</b>
AFTCh Hiddenview's Deck Is Stacked	Werewka	26
Ch WindRip's High Voltage	Dabb	16

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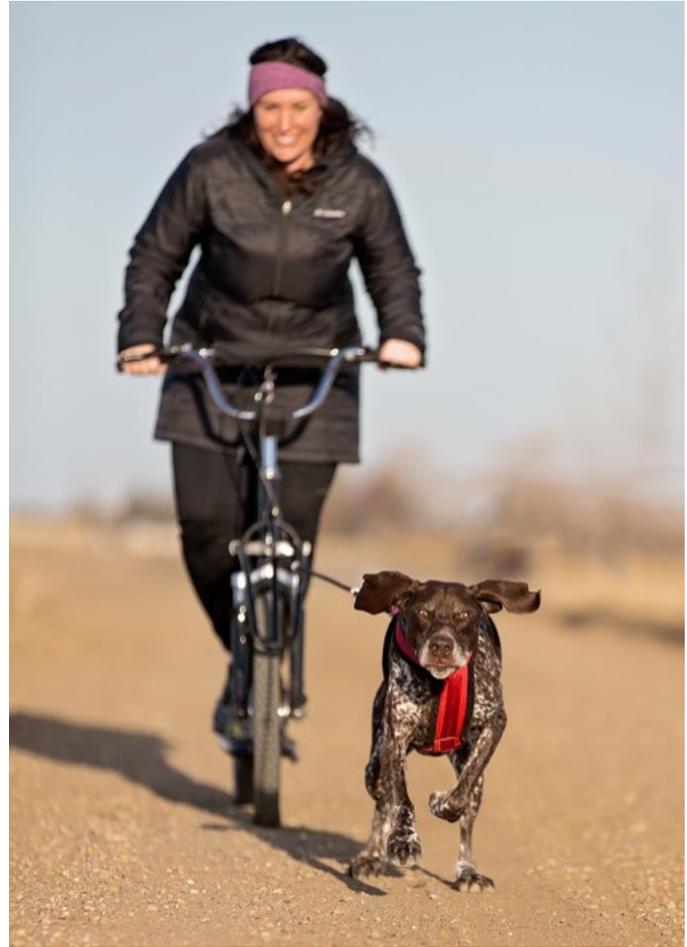


## **Dog Scootering**

**By Janna Jackson**

In the last couple of months, I have had the pleasure of trying out a new activity with my dog. I had been watching with great interest as one of my puppy people has been training her GSP Rosie to dog scooter. The pictures that she posted to Facebook looked like fun, so I asked her if I could come along and try it with one of my dogs. Mel helped to connect me with her scootering mentor, Wendy, and then it was just a matter of picking a date and going. After our first trip got scrubbed because of high winds, we had much better luck with a second trip.

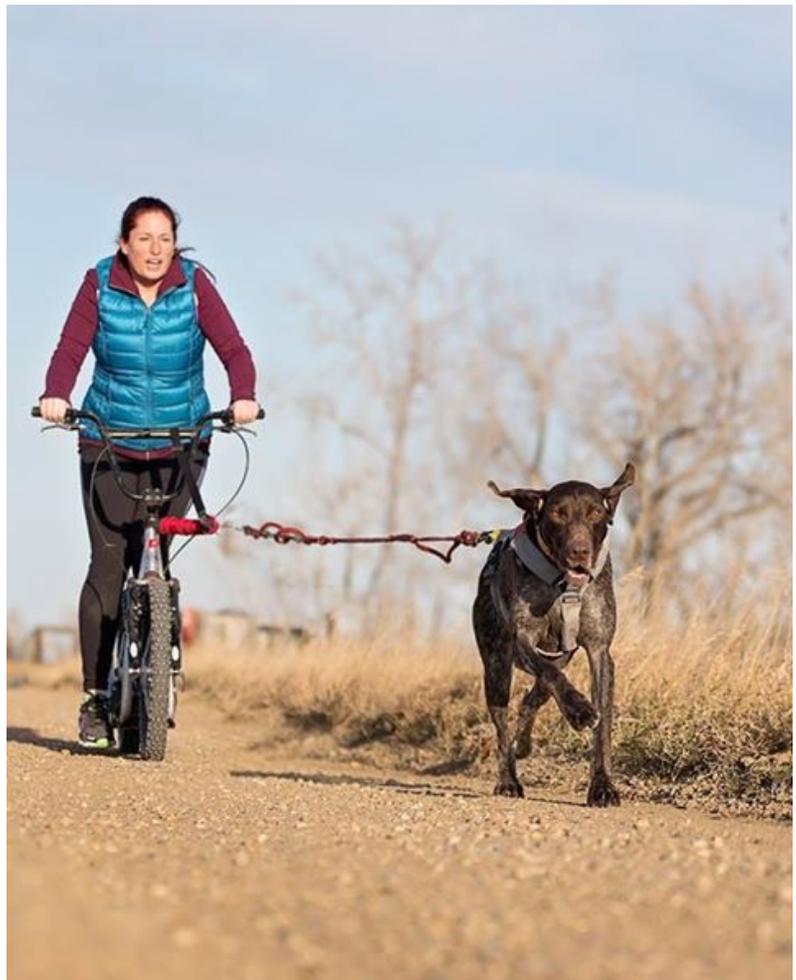
Wendy and Mel had me meet them near a quiet irrigation canal. The nice thing about most of the irrigation canals in Southern AB is that they typically have an access road that runs along the canal. The access roads are gravel and well maintained along with having very little vehicular traffic on them. They are a popular place to take dogs for off leash walks, for many owners.



*Photos: Wendy Devent  
Paws On The Run Photography*

Wendy outfitted Valentine with a pulling harness and helped me to hitch her to a spare scooter. I was apprehensive about how good of a puller that Val would be, but I should not have been. Val and her other pack mates have been my jogging partners for many years. They know to get out in front of me and to stay there so that they don't get stepped on (I'm not that co-ordinated of a jogger). With a little encouragement, Val took off at a good pace, chasing after Wendy and her dog Summit. For anyone who thinks that the dog is only one doing any work, that is a lie. I have to admit that by the end of our 6 km trek, my thighs and shoulders were sore. I was also grateful for the good quality brakes on the scooter.

Ducks swimming in the canal were almost more than Val could bear and there was once instance where my quick application of the brakes was all that prevented her from dragging the scooter, Charlotte and me into the canal for a swim. It was SO MUCH FUN!!! Valentine got to run, which she loves and I got to experience a new sport with my dog and with my daughter. Charlotte was strapped into a baby carrier on my chest. She enjoyed scootering just as much and Val and I did. She giggled



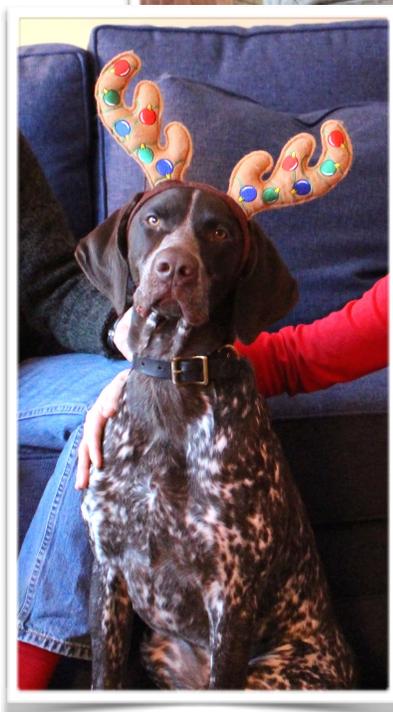
and laughed as the wind rushed by.

Wendy let me keep the scooter and harness for a few weeks and Valentine and I tried out some other trails through the parks in Lethbridge and some other quiet roads near home. I have to say that I'm hooked and looking to purchase harness, tug lines and a scooter of my own. For anyone out there that has thought about trying dog scooting with their GSP, I highly recommend it. Valentine gets so excited when she sees the harness that she starts to spin and squeak with joy.

## **GSP Holiday Fun!**



From Karen Walsh: Page, 10, enjoys some holiday couch time



From Adrienne Turcotte: Hugo, 11 months, enjoying his first Christmas



From Maxine Moinier: Porsche, 15 months, gets festive

## Caledon Regional Specialty Show & Booster

**By Maria Foster**

2016 was a busy year for Ontario GSP club members and enthusiasts. We started the year with the Erie Shores Regional in early June, continued with our National at SD&G in late August and ended the year with our Caledon Regional in November.

The entry mix changes throughout the year and this time we were thrilled to see our new upcoming group of show dogs as breeders and owners brought us an entry of 6 beautiful baby puppies !!

Our Specialty Judge for this year was our own GSP breeder François Bernier and our Sweeps Judge was Pointer breeder Genevieve Munro, we appreciate the great job of judging the lovely line up of GSPs that everyone brought out to exhibit at the show.



### Regional Specialty Results

**Best of Breed - GCH**

Legacyk Breakfast At Tiffany's  
FDJ - B/O: N Koutstaal & S  
Griswold



**Best of Opposite, Best Veteran & Veteran Dog** - CH Nuthatch's Snowy River Rider - B/O: H & J Brennan (*pictured on the cover of this issue*)

**Best of Winners & Winners Bitch** - Leaside's Ricochet - O: L Ferguson



**Winners Dog** - Leaside's Dorado Recurve - B/O: L Ferguson

**Reserve Winners Dog & Best Puppy** - Stannyfield's Sun Dog Ice - B/O: E MacKinnon

**Reserve Winners Bitch & Field Bitch** - Leaside's Bohemian Rhapsody FDJ - O: B Skripka & L Ferguson B: L Ferguson

**Select Dog & Field Dog** - GCH Sepia Fade To Black FDJ - B/O: A & R Weber

**Select Bitch & Veteran Bitch** - CH Whisperfield Velvet Kiya FDJ CGN - O: A Weber B: R & P Iredale

**Award of Merit** - CH Rich Land Autana's Lucy - O: M Foster  
B: Jorge Juan Barrera



**Best Sexually Altered** - CH Aspenglow's Moonshadow - O: J Dawson B: M Foster

**Best Baby Puppy** - Sepias Secret Little Wish - B/O: A Weber

## **Sweepstakes Results**

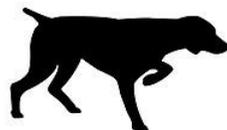
**Best In Sweepstakes** - Sepias Secret Little Wish - B: A Weber

**Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes** - Sepia My Favorite Wish - O:  
Robert Von Stackelberg B: A Weber

**Best in Veteran Sweepstakes** - CH Aspenglow's Foolish Pleasure - O: M  
Foster B: Jorge Juan Barrera



**Best of Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweepstakes** - Von Ruann Typhoon's  
Captain Colby - O: R Giannini & T & S Mirgon ([pictured in the brags  
section](#))



## **Dog Flu**

The GSPCC wanted to share information from the AKC with the membership on dog flu symptoms ~ viewable online at:

[http://www.akc.org/content/health/articles/the-dog-flu-symptoms-you-need-to-know/?](http://www.akc.org/content/health/articles/the-dog-flu-symptoms-you-need-to-know/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=health-20161214)

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## **Update on “Surrey 11” GSP Rescue Efforts**

**By Lynne Dobroski**

As mentioned in our last newsletter, the GSPCC made a \$2000 donation to Pointing Dog Rescue Canada to help with the rescue efforts of 11 GSPs that had recently been placed in their care from Surrey, BC (“the Surrey 11”). As of today January 10, 2017 the vet bills total \$7465.02 with Wylie the young male pup and Annie young female yet to be spayed and neutered. The GSPCC's donation of \$2000 was very much needed and we are most appreciative.

We have successfully adopted out all but two of the girls. Farrah who is 5 1/2 years old--had Entropion Correction surgery, spay, and is a dominant bitch, had to be moved from her foster home for repetitive attacks on the other female GSP in the home. She happily played with the male. She is in a foster home that will likely be "foster failures" as they

just lost their male GSP in the fall, and were finding the quiet house to quiet! :)

Sadie is almost 3 and was doing great in her foster home in Jasper, AB until last Friday when she fractured her hock. We are waiting on the Ortho's recommendations, so hopefully not another expensive vet bill. All the dogs are doing relatively well now that they are healthy. They all were undersocialized, and had to start from ground zero. Annie the young female in Alberta is excelling at skjoring and is going to try to be a certified therapy dog.

The foster homes and adoptive dogs are all a special breed of people. Despite the ages of these dogs, they all had to be trained as if they were new puppies as far as house breaking and training. Several of the families reported one step forward 3 back with the introduction of anything new (a washing machine, vacuum cleaner or any everyday inside noise).

So again, we thank you for the financial support along with a few members that we reached out to for advice and council as we tackled 11 dogs at once in a different province. Maria Foster, Heather Brennan (who also ran the online auction that raised a ton of money), Maxine Monier, Janice Whatmore, Josh Robinson, Barbara Taws, Tammy Parris..... Thanks a million! I hope I didn't miss anyone.

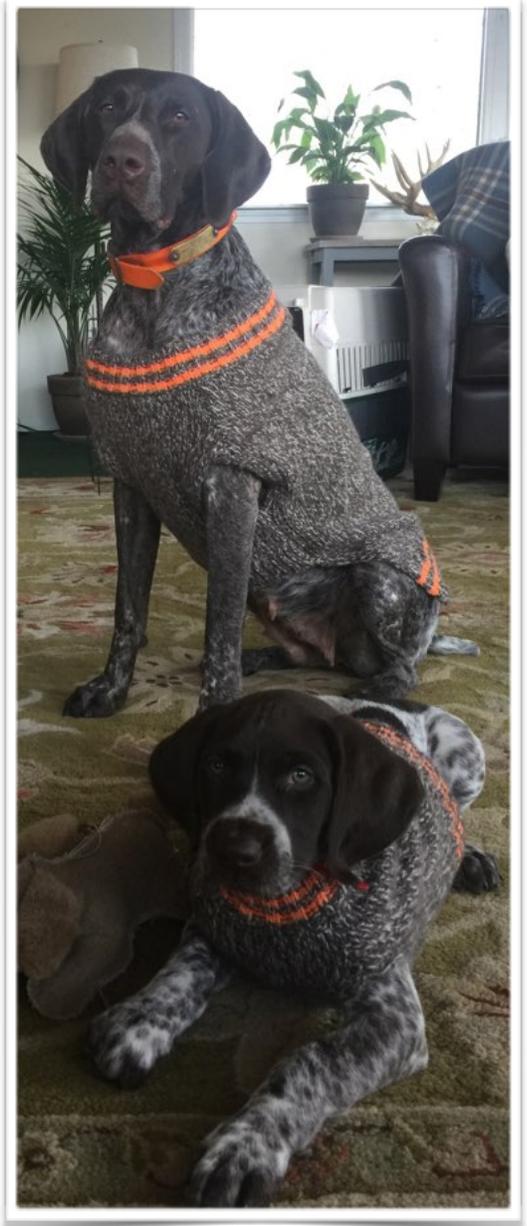


## **Yukon Bound, Lost and Found: The Story of a Young Dog's Resilience and the Efforts to Find Her**

**By Helen Christiansen**

Filling the freezer with wild game is usually our family's focus in early fall. This hunting season produced an outcome that yielded no game but provided my family with so much to be thankful for. This was a hunting experience with a twist that I will never forget.

My family is an avid group of hunters including our three German Shorthaired Pointers: Chuck, Etta, and their puppy Lulu. We had recently moved from Victoria to the Yukon and purchased a home on the Takhini River where the dogs were experiencing a life quite different from their city surroundings. Our property we live on is a hunting dog's mecca with grouse and an abundance of scents to pique their curiosity and grab their attention. However, in the late afternoon of October 1, 2016 something led Etta on a journey that could have and most likely should have, been her last.



*Etta and Lulu's first day in the Yukon.*

Etta had only been in the Yukon for six days when she didn't return after being called. She was gone. It didn't take long for an all-out



*Etta exploring new Yukon scents*

community search and rescue mission to start - an effort that reflected not only our love for our dogs, but also the incredible response from friends, strangers, and community groups offering their support, advice, and good wishes for Etta's safe return.

The night Etta went missing I lay awake thinking about how scared she must have been. But being somewhat of a strategist, I was also making a plan for the next day, night and days that could follow. When Etta didn't return the following morning, I knew my first course of action was to call my friend Maxine, a respected dog breeder from Victoria. Maxine's world is her dogs and I knew she would know what needed to happen if we were going to find Etta. Immediately she contacted her network of "dog people" and within hours I was being contacted by strangers who were willing and ready to help search for Etta. One of these contacts, Adrienne, who is also based in southern B.C, would spearhead the organizing of her contacts among the Whitehorse search group.

The next step in the plan was social media and soon the word was put out that Etta was missing. The Facebook community didn't

disappoint. There were over 400 "shares" and "likes" marking the most popular post I had ever been a part of. Not only was social media highly effective in getting the lost dog message out, connecting us with volunteers and identifying likely search areas, it was also a huge source of support and encouragement. "Lost Dog" and "Reward" Posters were also part of the find Etta campaign. Fearing that Etta had been picked up by someone who thought she would make a good pet, it was decided that offering a generous reward may prompt her return be that the case. Despite the possibility that Etta was taken by someone wanting to acquire a cute dog, I was most concerned about the threats posed by the elements and predators of the Yukon.

As each day passed the temperatures began to dip even further below zero. The worry increased incrementally. Offsetting this stress was the support that we received from an impressive network of dog lovers. Each day was filled with planning, searching, and coordinating volunteers. Our main search tactic was to involve as many people as possible and cover as much ground as possible. Chuck was also part of the search plan. He followed Etta's scent and led us to an area where we would spend a significant portion of the next week searching. We also brought Etta's crate and blanket to this location. The crate was positioned about five kilometres in on the Dawson trail, at the point on the trail where Chuck had come to an abrupt halt and where he began to push into the bush. We hoped Etta would emerge from the bush and find her crate. We checked the crate twice a day but relocated it to an alternate location upon discovering fresh signs of wolf activity. We also dragged her puppy's blanket behind the quad leaving scent trails for Etta to follow.

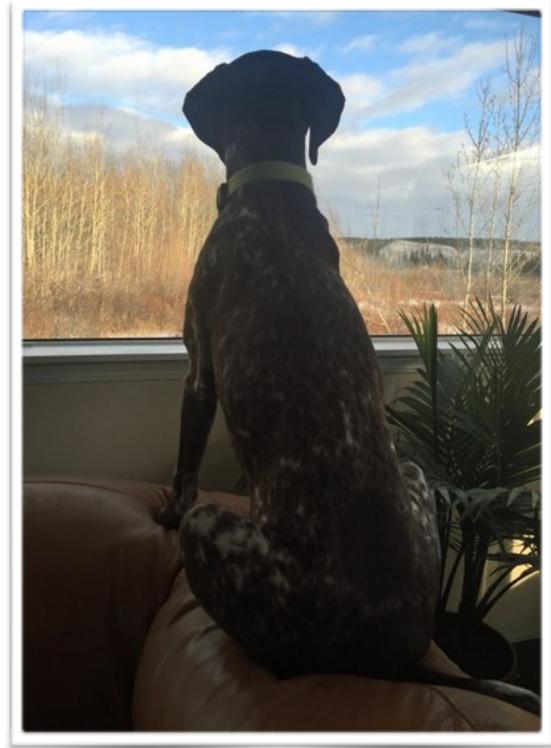
Everyone had a job and we took comfort knowing that we doing everything we could to increase our chances of finding her.

Each day started with hope and a genuine expectation that we would find her. But as day six approached that hope began to falter. The overnight temperature had dipped to

-12 C. Etta's shorthaired coat would not offer much protection in withstanding extended exposure to the cold. I was starting to accept the reality that we may not find her. How could she survive almost a week out there with no food and freezing temperatures? Figuring out a daily search plan, trying to analyze what she would do and where she would go became a constant. Why didn't she come back? What was stopping her from coming home? We had looked everywhere. My mind was

telling me that surely she had succumbed to either the elements or a predator. But Maxine inspired me to stay positive during one of our many daily check-ins. "Don't give up on her. She needs you. She is a resilient dog and she can make it". These words struck a chord. I needed to find Etta and Etta needed me.

The next evening ended yet another unsuccessful day of searching. But it was then that I received a call from an individual saying her neighbour Kevin had possibly spotted Etta. She then put Kevin on the



*Chuck waiting for Etta to come home*

phone who gave us the description of a dog with an orange collar. It had to be her. My heart began to race. She was alive! Kevin's curiosity and love for animals led him to ride into the hills behind his property to investigate. He made his way as far as he could up the hillside on horseback and then on foot followed the barking to a ridge where he saw a dog. Kevin did not know about a lost dog, he had not seen any of the posters as he lived a significant distance from our location, nor was he connected to social media. He did contact the police to inquire if there were any reports of a lost hiker, which may have accounted for the dog's distress and refusal to come closer.

Our feelings of desperation were suddenly replaced with hope. As I spoke with Kevin he asked me "Can you ride?" My first thought was riding a quad. He clarified, "I have three horses we can go tonight and look". I said "Ok". He then asked "Are you fit?" "Yes" I replied "Whatever it takes!" These were both important questions given what was about to transpire. My husband Richard, daughter Denica and I were geared up and out of the house in 10 minutes. We drove up the road to Grizzly Valley with a sense of urgency and a new found optimism that we were going to find our dog.

It was dark and about -8 C when we headed into the mountains on horseback with Kevin, a complete stranger who was going above and beyond to help a family find their dog. We rode in the direction of where Kevin had seen Etta. We left the horses on the trail and headed into the thick bush. Kevin used his machete to clear a path up to the ridge. It was tough going in the dark and his question about being fit was making perfect sense as I ducked under branches and grabbed the ground above to pull myself up the steep incline. As we got close to where Kevin

had last seen her, I began to call out Etta's name. I called every thirty seconds but there was no response. During the quiet between the calls we heard a lynx hiss and growl. This was not what we needed as Etta would surely maintain silence if a threat was in the vicinity. We climbed as far as we could until we came to a steep cliff. At this point we had to make a decision about continuing the search or calling it off for the night. It was about 10:30 pm and -12 C. We were dressed for hiking in the cold but an overnight stay on the mountain would have been difficult. With the cold temperatures and what was bound to be an unpleasant stay without additional equipment we decided to head back. Although extremely disappointed that we had not even heard her bark I still felt that there was a really good chance we would find her.

We were up at first light and headed back out to Grizzly Valley. We struck out on horseback to the same vicinity as the previous night, but this time we took a trail to the right away from the cliff, thinking that maybe she had moved away from the lynx. We threaded our way up the mountain, periodically dismounting to glass the open areas for any signs



*Heading out on horseback to search*

of movement. I called intermittently but my calls went unanswered. We continued further up the hill and had been riding for about an hour when I heard two faint barks to my left, in the direction where we had climbed the night before. No one else heard the barks but my gut told me it was a distress bark and not one of the echoes we were hearing from the barking dogs in the valley below. We decided to change direction. We went as far as we could with the horses and then began to cut a path towards the ridge. The terrain opened up, enabling us to cover ground quickly and reach the cliff face where we had stopped the night before. I found a prominent outcropping and began calling. After several minutes I heard the sound of crashing in the bush. My heart raced. I heard it again. A voice called "Hello" from the bush below the cliff. My heart sank. Did the crashing noise I just heard come from this person and not Etta? But then the voice yelled out, "I think I heard your dog". Two people who had seen the Facebook post about Etta being sighted in Grizzly Valley had also made their way to the same area as they had lost their dog a few months back and were hoping that perhaps it was their dog that had been sighted. I kept calling Etta's name and then the voice shouted again "I saw her. She's headed your way!" Every hair on my body stood up. I looked at Denica and said, "She's alive." Richard and Kevin had climbed down the rock face into the brush below. Richard knelt in a small clearing below the ridge and waited while I continued to call out to Etta.

I called continuously trying to keep my voice calm. I took out some baked ham hoping the scent would lure her in. Then without any sound, a very gaunt and wary looking dog, sky lined herself on the ridge. Maxine had told me this might happen. She was in survival mode. Her instincts were keeping her safe which made her cautious in her approach. She

very slowly began to circle around where Richard was knelt. He began calling but she kept her distance. He took out a Ziploc bag of matches and rustled it to mimic a treat being offered. She came closer until she stopped a few feet away from him. He coaxed her in and she wagged her tail just slightly and then buried herself in Richard's arms. He attached a leash and yelled, "I have her!" I looked at Denica and we were both beaming. We did it. We found our dog!



*Etta is found!*

We scrambled down the cliff and before I knew it Etta's face was buried deep in my jacket. She was calm but the look that her eyes returned mirrored our shared sense of relief and happiness. Her people had found her and what we all felt is beyond words. Tears flowed and the ham was devoured, plastic bag and all! She was desperate for food and wolfed down a granola bar and even the wrapped candies from my

pocket. It took only a few minutes to make sure she was well enough to make the trip back down the mountain and home.

Etta had spent seven nights in subzero weather and covered a significant amount of territory. Her hair had been worn away on her legs from pushing through bush and she had many minor wounds, but nothing that time and TLC wouldn't cure. As the crow flies she was about twenty kilometres from home, however the foot miles covered to get across two mountains was significantly more.



*A few moments to reunite before heading home*

The outcome of this story is a positive one for many reasons. Most importantly Etta was found. But the response to our plea for help has left a lasting impact. We will forever maintain a bond with all those who contributed to Etta's rescue. The efforts of so many people who took time out of their busy lives to help search, to send messages of inspiration, or

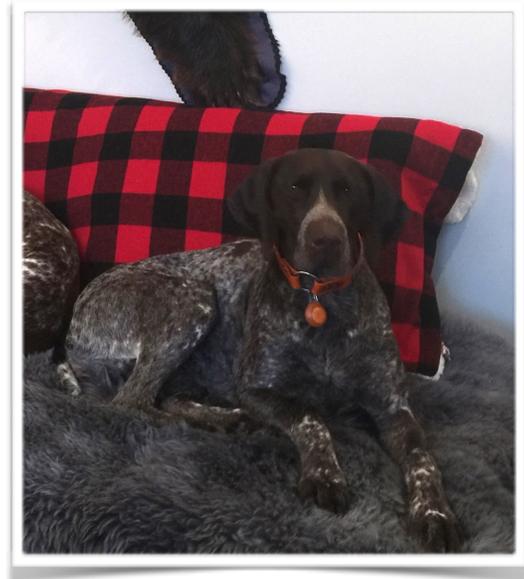
offer advice for searching is truly an example of people helping one another. Whether it was those who actually put feet on the ground to search, those who shared Facebook posts, an employer who was ok with taking time off to search, or community groups using their member email lists to spread the word, they all had one thing in common; a desire to help a family find their dog.

When we hunt we use our senses and knowledge to gain an advantage over our quarry. We communicate with one another about the areas where we should focus our efforts, the tactics we use, the equipment that will make the effort possible, and most importantly local knowledge. All of these elements were employed in the 'hunt' for Etta. Even though our traditional October hunting activities were replaced with our search for Etta, and our freezer remains empty, our hearts are full with

gratitude for all of the support we received to bring Etta home. This was a group win!



*A spectacular day in the Yukon  
and a successful mission  
accomplished!*



*Etta at home one week after finding her*

## **Pet Vu Discount for CKC Members**

### **From the CKC:**



CKC and Pet Vu Inc. are pleased to announce that they have renegotiated their agreement to deliver a more significant discount to CKC members than originally agreed upon.

CKC members will now receive wholesale pricing plus the first three months of service fees free. Pet Vu also invites CKC members to take part in its new retail program and receive a commission on all sales. Previously, CKC Members could purchase Pet Vu's GPS tracking device at a 20% discount and waived service fees.

"I approached CKC about deepening the discount for its members because as we develop our strategic direction at Pet Vu, our primary objective is to give as many dog owners as possible the best chance of bringing their dogs home safe if lost," said Omar Malik, Pet Vu's Founder and CEO. "We recognize the valuable access to a significant number of dog owners that CKC members have. Providing CKC members with wholesale pricing fits directly with our primary objective."

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## CKC Water Test for GSPs

**By Dennis Penuta (Field Judge)**

Starting January 1, 2017, the CKC will issue Water Dog titles to all pointing breeds who meet the requirements as outlined in the NEW Field Dog and Water Test Rules & Regulations Booklet for all Pointing Breeds. This can be downloaded from the CKC website or the booklet can be ordered from them. There are three (3) levels that your dog can earn, which are the following: (1) Water Dog Junior (WDJ) - a single straight water retrieve of a game bird, preferably duck, that is at least 20 yds. but not more than a 40-yard swim. (2) Water Dog (WD) a double retrieve - one at 50 yds. and a second at 20 yds. through 8 decoys. (3) Water Dog Excellent (WDX) 4 retrieves - 3 retrieves thru decoys at various distances (40 yds., 60 yds., & 20 yds. ) plus one blind retrieve at 50 yds.



The details of how these courses are set up and handler instructions along with restrictions and drawings of the courses are included in the CKC regulation booklet mentioned at the outset. These tests

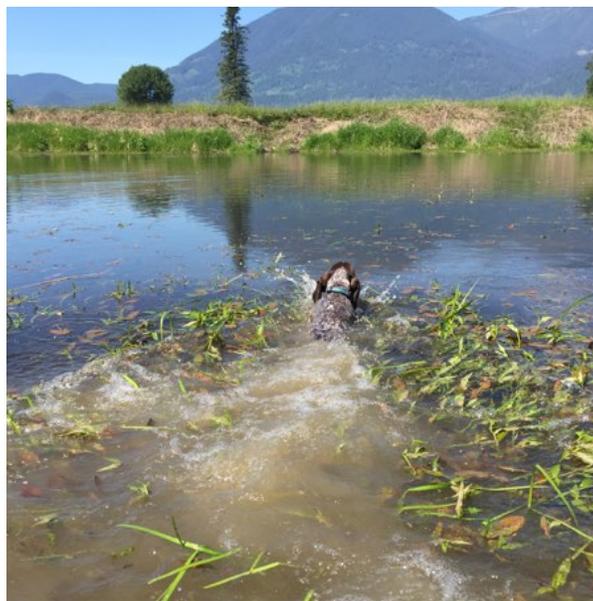
in all likelihood will be run in the summer months; a great time to both train & prove our dogs' abilities by earning another title for which our GSPs were bred. It should be mentioned that the German

Shorthaired Pointer Club of Canada was instrumental in bringing these new titles to Canada. By earning Field AND Water test titles, we can really prove our GSP is the versatile dog it was meant to be bred for.



Perhaps in the future we can offer a Game/Blood tracking title as well. I personally feel that it would be the ultimate achievement to have three (3) hunting performance titles on these remarkable, versatile gundogs. Other breeders can already see the value in achieving these titles for their dogs. I look forward to seeing anyone who is interested in participating or eager to learn more at the lake this summer!!

~Dennis Penuta, Mount Albion Kennels (Hamilton, ON)



## Upcoming Events

### Conformation

- ▶ A **Regional Specialty Show** will be held at the Erie Shores Kennel Club show in Caledonia, Ontario on June 3, 2017. A **Booster** will be held on June 2, 2017.

#### ***Biography for Regional Specialty Show Judge Kay Sneath***

*I have been involved in the sport of dogs since 1972. I began with Afghans, but since 1975 I am best known for breeding and exhibiting Borzois under the Marakhoff prefix. Together with my family we have produced many "Best in Show" winners and champions in numerous countries. I commenced judging in 1998 and have had the privilege of judging throughout Australia, N. Zealand, Japan and USA.*

*I have had a strong connection with German Shorthaired Pointers and was honoured to judge a specialty for the NSW GSH Pointer Club. This is a privilege usually reserved for a breeder judge. I have also judged "Gundog" (as we call them) specialties in Queensland and New Zealand. Again, an honour for a "hound" person.*

*I am absolutely honoured and delighted to adjudicate at the Erie Shores Kennel Club Shows.*

- ▶ The **2017 National Specialty Show** will be held near Calgary, Alberta on July 15, 2017. A **Regional Specialty Show** will be held following on July 16, 2017.



The German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Canada is pleased to announce that the 2017 National Specialty Show will be held near Calgary, Alberta in conjunction with the Evelyn Kenney K&OC shows.

There will be SEVEN sets of points available to GSP participants:

4 All Breed Shows - July 13<sup>th</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup>

Westwinds Sporting Dog Specialty - Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>

National Specialty Show - Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>

Regional Specialty Show - Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup>

These shows are held at the lovely Springbank Park for All Seasons the last weekend of the Calgary Stampede. For those of you wishing a visit to the "Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth", place the dates on your calendar and join us for what will be a great weekend of dogs, western hospitality, and a chance to enjoy what is hoped to be a great entry in our breed.

**Stay tuned for further details!**

***And for those GSPCC members who enjoy travelling to the US...***

The GSP Club of America (GSPCA) is holding their National Specialty Show in Lawrence, Kansas in May 2017. In addition to the various conformation events, multiple days of agility will be held prior to event.

- ▶ May 2: GSPCA Supported Entry Specialty Show. Breed Judge: Betsy Yates, Sweepstakes Judge: Pending.
- ▶ May 3: GSPCA Sweepstakes & Veteran Sweepstakes, Judge Dee Stelmach
- ▶ May 4: GSPCA Futurity, Judge Sue Clemons
- ▶ May 5 & 6: GSPCA Regular & Non Regular Classes, Best of Breed Judge Linda Flynn



## Field

- ▶ **Field Dog Tests** will be held in Grand Valley, Ontario on May 20 & 21, 2017.
- ▶ The GSPCC will hold **Water Tests** (4) at the Binbrook Conservation Area near Hamilton, Ontario on August 19 & 20, 2017. More details to come!

*Events and information will be posted on the website and  
FaceBook page as details become available*



*Check it out!*

## The Tail End

### Members' Wags & Brags!

From Gail Docherty:

**CH Longtrail Last Call at  
Bravepoint FDJ AGN AGNJ  
NP AADC AGDC** a.k.a. "Dante"

owned by Gail Docherty had a very successful first year competing in agility in eastern Ontario. He earned his 3

Novice CKC titles: Standard, Jumpers With Weaves and Points and Distance. Dante also achieved his Advanced Agility Dog of Canada and Advanced Games Dog of Canada titles in the Agility Association of Canada system putting him at the Masters level at just 3 years of age!



From Arwen Dabb:

**FC FTCh AFTCh WindRip's  
On Your Knees JH "Layla"**  
finished her AKC Field  
Championship!

From Arwen Dabb:

**AFC DC AFTCh WindRip's Shot In The Dark CD FDX SH** "Giza" finished her FDX title and her AKC Senior Hunter title!

Breeder/Owner: Arwen Dabb

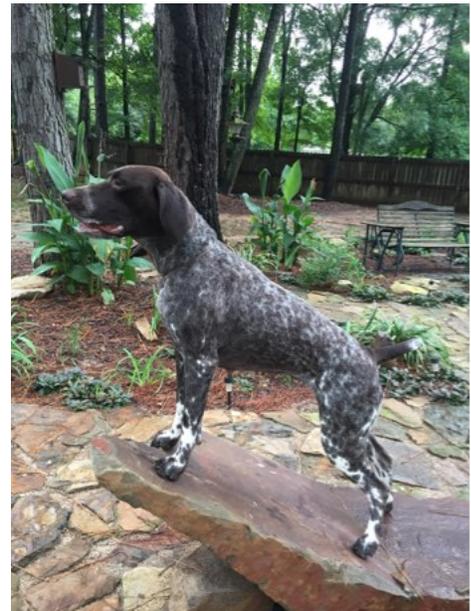


From Rhonda Giannini:

At the Regional Speciality in Caledon, **AKC Ch Von Ruann Typoon's Captain Colby** (Cardiac, Eyes, Hips, CD, DNA on OFA; CHIC completed) was Best of Opposite Sex

Veteran; and then at the Booster the following day was WD for more points towards his CKC Championship. "Colby" came to Canada in September to live with me from a home in PA.

Colby and "Brandi" ( **GCh UKC Ch Whisperfield Classico Maderia CGN AKC CA**, CHIC#108795) will be having a litter in mid-March. This breeding I'm excited about because we are introducing more German bloodlines into the GSP world.



From Mary Ellen Whyte:

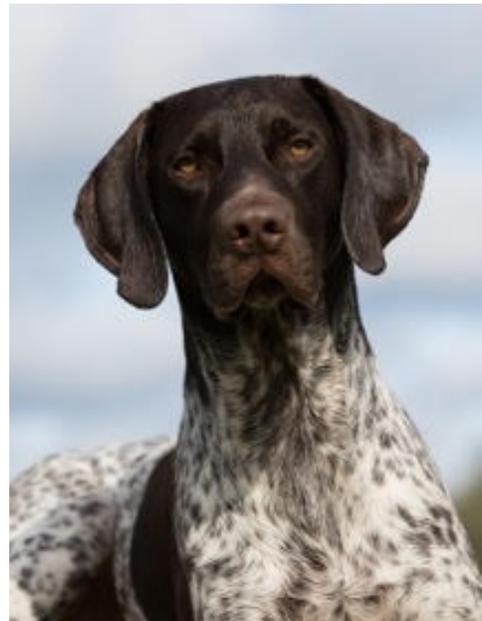
**Can GCH Bianca's BrazosRiver Jon**

**Adams** "Quincy", #1 GSP Puppy in Canada, #5 GSP, #5 sporting puppy after only being shown 6 weekends. 1st leg on his Field Dog Junior under judge Dale Schindel.

RWD at the Regional during US Nationals week, BOS in Sweeps under judge Carl Gomes. Winner 9-12 sweeps under Becky Freigh and 2nd 9-12 class at the US

National under Carol Tobin-Murray. WD GSPC of WA, Olympic Kennel Club x 2, WD/BOW. WD/BOW Tucson Kennel Club. Currently 9 US points and 1 major.

Thank you to all the judges for awarding Quincy these awards. Correct size, make and shape.



Sincerely, Breeder/Owner/  
Handler - Mary Ellen Whyte,  
Bianca Perm Reg'd GSP.  
Co-breeder/co-owner Suzanne  
Dillin, AKC judge, Flower  
Mound Texas, Brazos River  
GSP.

***Send your brags & stories to us for the next newsletter!***

***Submission: [turcotte.adrienne@gmail.com](mailto:turcotte.adrienne@gmail.com)***



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**2017 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Applicant's Name		CKC Membership # (if a member)
Co-Applicant's Name		CKC Membership # (if a member)
Address		
City	Province	Postal Code
Home Tel:		Business Tel:
Fax:	Email:	

New Membership       Renewal Membership

Interests: ( <i>Please check all that apply</i> )	Show	Field Trials	Field Dog Tests	Agility	Obedience	Tracking	Rescue	Other
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I agree and understand the following:

Any person applying for membership with the **German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Canada** must be 18 years of age & shall submit:

1. The Club's Application
2. The name of two sponsors (existing members of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Canada) in good standing.
3. Payment of one year's club dues being: Single \$25.00       Family (Limit of 2 people): \$35.00

Please make cheques payable to: The German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Canada (GSPCC) and mail application with fees to: Secretary, Maria Foster, 52 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Hamilton, ON L9A 3M7

All new memberships will be reviewed and may be approved by the executive, subject to question by the membership at large, following publication of the applicant's name in the Club's Newsletter.

New members shall not have voting rights for one full year after acceptance of membership application.

Sponsoring me – Current GSPCC members in Good Standing (if you don't have a sponsor, please contact the secretary)	Sponsor #1	
	Sponsor #2	

I am in Good Standing with the Canadian Kennel Club. If at such time I am suspended by the Canadian Kennel Club, I shall automatically be suspended from the privileges of this organization, for a like period of time.

**I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IN COMPLETING AND SIGNING THIS APPLICATION FORM, I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE REGULATIONS AND/OR GUIDELINES SET FORTH IN THE CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS AND CODE OF ETHICS OF THE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB OF CANADA.**

Signature	Signature
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