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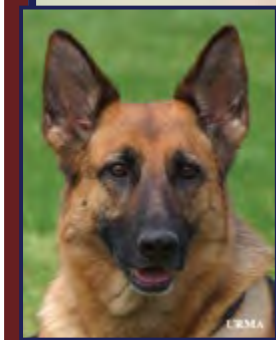
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May/June - March 20 - Youth Issue

July/August - May 20 - WDC issue

September/October - July 20 - Universal Sieger Show issue

November/December - September 20 -



President's Message

Greetings – I hope everyone had a great winter and a healthy start to the new year!

USCA is hitting the ground running in the new year. Several significant improvements are now in place:

- The USCA office now has full access to the SV DoxS database. All registrations, x-rays, or other inquiries requiring feedback from you are now much quicker. Our great office staff can provide and verify information as soon as it is posted.
 - All new IGP Rulebooks are available in both letter and smaller size PDF formats for download. ***ALL*** working dog enthusiasts may download them using the link at the bottom of our home page at www.germanshepherddog.com.
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- A USCA judges calendar is available online and updated in real-time. Please take advantage of this tool when planning trials.
 - Starting in 2019 our Schutzhund USA magazine will also be published in a PDF format. Members may now download the PDF file to their computer or portable device and have it available wherever they go. The PDF is fully searchable and easily annotated. Enjoy!

Our members are our greatest asset. Please continue bringing your ideas forward. We listen and hear all of you. I cannot stress this enough - EVERY great idea we have had over the last few years has come from members. You are the heart of USCA. When you recognize a problem or opportunity and present that issue with a proposed solution, you are benefiting and having a direct impact on the breed, sport, or organization. "An idea that is developed and put into action is more important than an idea that exists only as an idea."

Thanks to each of you for your valuable contributions to our organization. Please keep the ideas coming!

I hope to see you all at 2019 Working Dog Championships outside Boston, Massachusetts.

Vadim Plotzker,
USCA President



Vice-President's Message

I would like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year, with great success trialing your dogs, and our clubs hosting the new IGP trials, and Breed Surveys this coming year.

The Judges Committee, Nathaniel and Ann Marie have spent a lot of time and effort in designing our new rulebook and updating the rules from IPO to IGP. Be sure that you take the time to review the new rules prior to entering the trials.

All club contacts should note; The SV has issued a new mandate concerning all WUSV member clubs. USCA clubs will not be permitted to choose their own Judge/Koermeister for a Breed Survey any longer. The Judge/Koermeister will be selected by the SV National Breed Warden, and USCA clubs must accept whatever Judge/Koermeister is appointed. This will not affect Shows/Surveys that have already been approved.

Please remember, your club must submit your request well in advance of your proposed date. The request must include location and airport for arrival and departure. After submitting your request along with the SV fee, you will be notified of approval and what judge has been assigned to your event. At that time you may contact the judge to make travel arrangements.

This protocol is for requesting SV Judge/Koermeisters only. USCA clubs may freely select and contact directly any USCA Breed Master to conduct the USCA Breed Survey.

Mark Scarberry,
USCA Vice-President



Director of Judges' Message

We are now a few months into 2019 and have implemented the change from IPO to IGP - International Gebrauchshund Prufung (IGP = International "Practical/ Working Dog" Test) as our primary working dog titles. All WUSV and FCI organizations have also made this change.

To help clarify the transition from IPO to IGP.

- All authorizations processed / approved prior to 1.1.19 are grandfathered from IPO to IGP and do not need to be reissued.
- Going forward, Clubs need to be specific in requesting what titles will be offered when requesting authorization.
- USCA offers the following titles: BH-VT, IGP, GPR, FPR (TR), UPR (OB) 1-2-3, IGP V, FH-V, IFH 1-2 and IGP FH, STP 1-2-3, AD, RH 1 & 2. Effective 1.1.19, these are all internationally recognized / accepted working dog titles earned from 1.1.19 forward by all WUSV and FCI organizations.
- IPO titles earned prior to 1.1.19 are automaticity allowed to continue at the same level (IPO3 → IGP3) or proceed to the next higher IGP title (IPO1 → IGP2) etc..
- USCA also will continue, at this time, to offer IPO 1-2-3, which if earned after 1.1.19 are only recognized by USCA for both sport and for USCA Breed Survey.
- IPO titles earned in USCA (for sport or Breed Survey) after 1.1.19 will not be accepted as the required prerequisite title for IGP (example if an IPO1 is earned at a USCA Trial on 1.10.19 and the handler then wants to proceed to earn an IGP2 they would need to pass an IGP1 before proceeding to IGP2 and an IGP2 before IGP3).
- New USCA versions of the Utility Dog Regulations (Performance Trial Rules) have been posted for download on the USCA website and are available for purchase in a small notebook version from USCA office. There are multiple rulebooks available to cover all of the titles offered (the two that most members and clubs should have available and will be most commonly used for trials are the USCA Preface/Variations and the Trial Rulebook, these can be combined and printed or purchased):
 - The new USCA Preface/Variations Rulebook (this is 12 pages and covers all USCA specific variations and additional information of authorizations and trial days etc). This book applies to all USCA Performance Trials, so it should be

available for all USCA Events.

- The New USCA Trial Rulebook (large version 8.5 x 11 page size is 72 pages, 36 double sided sheets). This covers all Internationally accepted IGP Titles that USCA offers – BH-VT, IGP / GPR / FPR (TR) / UPR (OB) / STP 1-2-3, IGP V, FH V, FH 1 & 2 and AD. *(USCA does not offer Protection only [SPR 1-2-3] titles or the IBGH 1-2-3 titles and USCA judges **may not** judge these at any event)*
- The New USCA IPO Rulebook: USCA will continue at this time to offer IPO 1-2-3, for USCA recognition only after 1.1.19, for both sport and Breed Survey. This book only applies to the descriptions of the IPO 1-2-3 exercises and is only needed if members intend on continuing IPO for USCA recognition only.
- The 2019 RH Rulebook is available for download via a link to the IRO. USCA offers RH1 & 2. All USCA Judges are authorized to award the RH1 title and we have three Judges that are authorized to award the RH2 title (Stephanie Dunion, Karen Macintyre and Craig Groh)
- The American Working Dog Title Rulebook for AWD 1-2-3. There is a link to download the AWD rulebook on the USCA website.

Please review the books that apply to whatever titles you are training for and if you have any questions please contact Nathaniel Roque, USCA DOJ, or Ann Marie Chaffin, Assistant DOJ, or if you are hosting a trial contact your USCA Judge to be sure that you are clear on the changes before the day of the trial.

There is also a FAQ section on the USCA website available with information, diagrams, etc. addressing the changes to IGP.

We have been preparing for these changes for two years at the USCA Judges College, hosting FCI Working Commission President Frans Jansen as a guest speaker in 2017 and then again reviewing IGP and changes at the 2018 USCA Judges Meeting that included judges from the German Shepherd Schutzhund Club of Canada (GSSCC). There will be continuing clarifications on some of the changes. The FCI is hosting three judges meetings in January, February, and March to help work out any problems and get all organizations well informed and consistent. We plan on attending two of the meetings to have the most current information available for our judges and members so that USCA will continue to be the Premiere German Shepherd Dog and Dog Sport organization in the United States. USCA will continue to host the highest quality events for our membership.

Best of Luck in your training and trials for 2019!

Nathaniel Roque
USCA Director of Judges

We are Looking For:

Members with the correct temperament and team spirit to serve in several Officer, Director and Committee positions arising this year. This is your opportunity to take a more active role in how the USCA carries out its mission and to help shape the future of the organization.

Available Positions –

- Committees -
 - Judges Committee – two positions Member at Large
 - Events Planning Committee – four positions
 - Nominating Committee – five positions

(Position Descriptions are available on pages 10-15 of the USCA Bylaws. This is obtainable in the website – under “About”)

The Nominating Committee is currently contacting Incumbents to determine their interest in continuing. This, notwithstanding, our role is to include in the slate of candidates, person/persons with the requisite credentials and aptitude for the position(s). Members are encouraged to apply for any position where they think they can make a difference. The ultimate decision will be with the membership voting at the General Meeting.

All indications of interest in any position must be received on or before Friday, May 31, 2019.

We will be affording all those interested in any position the opportunity to have their resumes published in two issues of the USCA Magazine. Although the deadline for applications is May 31, you must indicate your interest and send your resume by **May 9** for inclusion in the July/August issue. Resume deadline for the September/October issue is **July 9**. Your resume will be printed in both issues if received by May 9. Resumes should be one (printed) page and ideally include your picture w/wo your dog(s). They will not be edited/corrected (except for length) to maintain our objectivity.

If you need any clarification or are interested in any position, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee or its Chair, Betty Thomas at either betgypsy@embarqmail.com or at 903-724-2475 (CST), who can elaborate on the position, process and protocol.



2018 USCA National Champions



Left to Right: 2nd Place - Frank Phillips and Kliff vom Floyd Haus; 1st Place - Erin O'Shea and Vegas von der Burg Hinte; 3rd Place - John Kennedy and Knox vom Olgameister



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2018 USCA GSD National Championship

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PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA – From October 31 through November 4, 2018, IPO dog sport descended upon the outskirts of Pittsburgh near the small borough of Coraopolis, nestled upon the banks of the Ohio River. Two days of practice, Helper Tryouts, the annual General Board Meeting, Draw Night, the annual National Helper College, and three days of IPO competition crammed into this time frame created a whirlwind of IPO and GSD-related activity. Vita Nova Schutzhund Club, the local Schutzhund club and co-hosts of the 2018 USCA GSD IPO3 National Championship, stepped up to the challenge and put on an excellent event.

Venue

The stadium venue was the beautiful Robert Morris University Island Sports Center in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Situated in the middle of the Ohio River, the sports complex is surrounded on three sides by water, and boasts an indoor hockey rink, indoor driving range, outdoor miniature golf, and the soccer stadium where the event was held. The river banks opposite the RMU Island Sports Center were bursting with fall foliage, offering gorgeous views and a fantastic backdrop to the event. The field itself was a natural turf soccer field. The rain leading into the event and scattered rain throughout made it a little muddy in a few spots, but the field crews worked hard to keep basic position, center line, jump, wall, and blinds on somewhat solid footing for each flight throughout the three days.

The tracking fields were all sod, located on sod farms approximately 45 minutes from the RMU Sports Center. Each field was pre-assigned to specific flights before Draw Night, ensuring fairness and equal opportunity for all competitors. “Ground conditions for the competitors were close to perfect with wet sod grass used throughout the trial,” said National Tracklayer Dave MacDougall (*see his article on tracking in this issue for an in-depth look at Nationals tracking.*). “Temperatures never exceeded 57 degrees Fahrenheit and never fell below freezing, making the weather conditions very conducive for the handler/dog teams to attain high scores.”

Competitors

66 competitors from 42 different clubs entered Nationals. All 10 regions were represented, with the highest number of competitors coming from the Mid Eastern Region (14), followed by the Northwestern (10), and New England (9) Regions. The Southeastern and Southwestern Regions also had strong showings, with eight competitors each.

Eight first-time handlers entered Nationals: and Chad Hubbard (Lone Star Schutzhund Club,



Melissa Hull
(Vita Nova Schutzhund Club, PA)



Sandy Lynch
(Central Coast SchH Club, CA)



Cheryl Green
(Outlaws WDC, CA)



Robin Eales
(San Jose GSD Club, CA)



Sean McGinty
(OG Wildhorse, PA)



John Zovickian
(South County SchH Club, CA)



Tom Miller
(Rose City WDA, OR)

TX - pull). 50% of the first-time handlers came from the Northwestern Region, with the High Scoring First Time Handler award going to the Northwest Region's

John Zovickian.

Approximately 40% of the dogs entered were US-bred, and 57% of the dogs were Handler Owner Trained (HOT). Five dogs entered were also Breeder Handler Owner Trained (BHOT): Aldo vom Burmeister (Ronny Burmer), Xora van Meerhout (Jessy Gabriel), Ucon vom Patiala (Ajay Singh), Ailo av Garm Haus (Kjersti Dabakk), and Sky von Danubius (Nelli Racsko). This is a huge accomplishment to have bred, raised, trained, and titled a dog to the National level!

Judges, Helpers, Tracklayers

Judges for the event were Michael Caputo, USCA (Tracking), Nathaniel Roque, USCA/SV (Obedience), Ann Marie Chaffin, USCA/SV (Protection), and Heidi Theis, USCA (Long Down). Judge Deb Krsnich, USCA, served as Bi-Richter for tracking. The judges worked hard to consistently evaluate each dog/handler team throughout all three days of competition. Their critiques were shortened for the National level in order to follow the rigorous schedule set for each day, but were still on point and informative for both handler and spectators.



Photo courtesy of Mike Caputo



The four pre-selected helpers were Jeff Davis, Colt Dickson, Dominic Scarberry, and Brady Schnowske. All four participated in Helper Tryouts on Thursday afternoon; after tryouts, Jeff Davis was selected for front half, Brady Schnowske for back half, Colt Dickson as first alternate, and Dominic Scarberry as second alternate. Their helper work over the course of the weekend was the strong and consistent performance expected at a National level.



Photo courtesy of Dave McDougall

The tracklaying team for Nationals consisted of Tracking Coordinator Mark Chaffin, and National Tracklayers Dave MacDougall, Willi Ortner Jr, Tim Reiber, Jim Sullivan, and Kris Taylor. The tracklayers walked miles upon miles of tracks for the competitors, and did their best to provide equitable tracks for each competitor. Additionally, Matt Zavarella served as the club liaison for tracking, ensuring that each flight made it to their appointed field at the correct time. Tracklaying for a National event is no small feat, and the tracklaying team did an outstanding job.

General Board Meeting and Draw Night

The General Board Meeting was held Thursday morning at the host hotel. Jim Alloway opened the meeting and spent time reviewing and explaining the current situation within IPO dog sport, then fielded questions from the membership. Much discussion was had on the relationships between the various national and international organizations, as well as potential future decisions facing USCA regarding IPO, Schutzhund, and the German Shepherd Dog.

Elections were then held, and new board members were voted in. Congratulations to USCA's new board: Vadim Plotsker (President), Mark Scarberry (Vice President), Michele Clubb (Secretary), Jim Alloway (Treasurer), Nathaniel Roque (Director of Judges), and Heidi Theis (National Breed Warden). Directors at Large were also elected, and include Mike Diehl, Al Bartelson, Dennis Vander Linde, and Gary McGillivray. Thank you to Michele Scarberry for her service as the previous National Breed Warden, and to Laurie Coppola for serving the membership previously as a Director At Large.

Draw Night was also held at the host hotel. Draw Night is always a festive evening, and this one did

not disappoint. The room was completely packed and buzzing with energy, conversations, and camaraderie. Additionally, members from the WUSV World Team, FCI World Team, and Universal Sieger Team were present and entered in the event, providing opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of these handlers – T. Floyd with his 4th place finish at the WUSV World Championship, Frank Phillips with his 2nd place finish at the FCI World Championship, Denise Sclesi with her 3rd place finish at the Universal Sieger Championship – along with Team USA’s 5th place finishes in both the WUSV World Championship and Universal Sieger Championship.

With only a few pulls, the majority of competitors were present and ready to get the show on the road. Northwestern Regional Director and Event Chair Carissa Kuehn ran Draw Night, managing to wrap up everything in about one hour, a record time for a Draw Night. Competitors were called up to draw a ping pong ball from the box of mystery and pick up their competitor bib, before moving down the line of judges, helpers, tracklayers and then picking up their swag bags. The swag bags secured by host club Vita Nova contained a plethora of goodies, including various supplements, balls, and toys donated by sponsors. Thank you to competitor bag sponsors ActivPower, Muffi’s Canine Goods, and Canine Performance Nutrition, and to Draw Night sponsors Baker Botts LLC and Big Bad K9.

Competition Begins

Competition began with first light on Friday, November 2nd. Fortunately, the rain from the previous days had lightened, but it was still overcast, damp, cool, and windy. Two flights of 10 dogs each were scheduled for Friday in order to accommodate the college’s need to use the field in the afternoon, as well as to end early enough for competitors to attend the National Helper College that was held at a nearby field (see sidebar “Helper College”).

Saturday and Sunday both saw large numbers of dog/handler teams competing at the stadium, and each day was a race to finish in the available daylight. Three flights of eight dogs each went on Saturday, and another three flights competed on Sunday – two eight-dog flights and a shorter four-dog flight, followed by the lone female in heat. All flights were completed in a timely manner, and Sunday ended with just enough light for world-renown photographer Brian Aghajani

to capture the podium shots.

Tracking

Tracking conditions were, as Dave MacDougall stated, conducive to high scores. Many dogs earned V scores, with two 100-point scores earned during the event: Gustavo Sanchez with Dezi vom Haus Stavo, and Kjersti Dabakk with Ailo Av Garm Haus.

“It was truly an honor to be chosen once again to serve. When great things come together [weather, tracking field conditions, track laying team, sporty handlers, and well driven dogs] the results will necessarily follow,” said tracking judge Michael Caputo. “This year’s championships produced 39% V scores, 32% SG scores, 21% G scores, and 4% B scores! As I reflect back, my notation on one score sheet represents what we all strive for under these superb conditions and circumstances

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“In dog sport it is not uncommon for a handler/dog team to have an off day, and it is one goal of the tracklaying team to make sure it is not due to their mistake that this abnormal performance occurs,” said tracklayer Dave MacDougall. “With that being said, it was a very successful trial for the handler/dog teams



Gustavo Sanchez and Dezi vom Haus Stavo



Gustavo Sanchez and Dezi vom Haus Stavo

and tracklaying teams.”

Judge Michael Caputo agreed: “Our USCA competitors work very hard throughout the year to make this event and deserve a challenging but fair level playing field for all; it was delivered that weekend in Pittsburgh. A huge thank you to everyone from the members of Vita Nova, the track layers, the handlers, and trial secretaries, for your efforts in this phase of USCA's premier event. And especially, to Deb Krsnich our "bi-richter" and 2019's tracking Judge, whose work was spot on. Our average score difference = 0.7 points!"

Obedience

At the stadium, the flights hummed along in an effort to stay on schedule. Competitors did an excellent job staging their dogs at the appropriate time before being waved onto the field by the field steward. Each team checked in with Long Down Judge Heidi Theis, before heeling to their proper location – basic position for handlers that drew “up dog” (odd number), and long down for handlers that drew “down dog” (even number).

Competitors and spectators alike were treated to

several beautiful performances that emphasized correctness, speed, and harmony, such as those from Frank Phillips and Kliff (96 points), John Kennedy and Knox (96 points), and Erin O’Shea and Vegas (97 points). But it was Ronny Burmer’s 98-point performance with his BHOT dog Aldo vom Burmeister that took home the High Obedience Trophy.

“I had the honor to judge Obedience two years in a row at the USCA Nationals,” said obedience judge Nathaniel Roque. “I saw many of the same handlers and dogs back-to-back in two Championships. It was a great opportunity for me to see many of them make substantial improvements in overall performances or specific areas of their training. The biggest example of this was in retrieving exercises. In 2017 many dogs had problems with the hold and carry of the dumbbell, presentation and return speed. In 2018, there was a marked improvement in the overall retrieve exercises with SG and a few V performances presented.”

“I’d also again like to thank all of the handlers for the





overall sportsmanship shown on the obedience field by all,” Nathaniel added. “It was my pleasure and honor to be allowed to evaluate the competitors in the obedience phase.”

Protection

In Protection, Judge Ann Marie Chaffin, was looking for the total package of aggression, dominance, intensity, and control. Fortunately, the dogs did not disappoint. Spectators were treated to powerful protection performances – some of which ended well, and a few of which ended in that heartbreaking DQ. “Protection at the 2018 USCA Nationals showed some

powerful dogs and some strong performances,” remarked protection judge Ann Marie Chaffin. “It was exciting to see the extreme level of competition at our nationals. The handlers knew the rules and showed skill in both their training and handling; very few mistakes were made. Our membership, competitors and spectators et al., as a whole are educated in what judges need to see for high points: good aggression, dominance and intensity from the dog, especially under the threat, and all while showing a high level of control. I saw dogs that had strict focus on the handler when asked, and quickly transitioned to an intense focus on the helper in the blink of the eye.”

There were multiple V scores, including Mike Diehl and Gazze (97), Tyler Pluss and Attack (97), Vadim Plotsker and Woody (97), Erin O’Shea and Vegas (97), and Frank Phillips with Kliff (98 – High Protection). In addition to these strong routines, there were also some spectacular long bites. “I saw quite a number of exceptionally fast dogs at the national,” said Ann Marie Chaffin. “In the 1980s I saw a “comer” only every now and again, but extreme speed is now the norm.”

Results

Congratulations to our new 2018 USCA GSD National Champion Erin O’Shea and Vegas von der Burg Hinte! Erin and Vegas earned the top score of 293 and also took home the High Northeast Region and Helper’s Favorite Trophies. Frank Phillips and Kliff vom Floyd Haus took a close second with 292 points as well as High Protection, High HOT, High Scoring USA-bred Dog, and High New England Region. John Kennedy and Knox vom Olgameister took third place with a 289 also securing the High Mid Eastern Region Trophy.

Gustavo Sanchez, who had two dogs entered into the event, took fourth place with Dezi vom Haus Stavo, also with a 289. Gustavo and Dezi also earned the High Tracking and High Scoring Breed-Surveyed Dog trophies. Gustavo also took home High Scoring Female Dog for his performance with his second dog, Ester Ziva Dog Family. Fifth place went to Ronny Burmer and Aldo vom Burmeister; Ronny and Aldo also took High Obedience and High Scoring BHOT. Christopher Campbell and Sirkus vom Donau Ries took sixth place with a 287 and the High Northwestern Region trophy. Rounding out the top 10 were T Floyd and Uno vom Mutzbach seventh place, Vadim Plotsker and Woody van het Zuidpark eighth place, Liz King and Cody Blendy ninth place, and High Southeastern Region, and



Cheryl Nance and Loki Orrylordblack tenth place. The top 10 dogs automatically qualify for the USCA/GSDCA WUSV World Qualifier Trial in June.

Finishing out the awards were Jessy Gabriel with Xora van Meerhout as High South Central Region, Eric Beasley with Brick von Hanrahan as High Mid-Central Region, Max Artemchik with Carro von der Feldweise as High North Central Region, and Tyler Pluss with Attack Slovrj as High Southwestern Region. The overall highest scoring region was the Mid Eastern region. High Scoring Double X, the highest scoring female team, went to Kjersti Dabakk with Ailo av Garm Haus. And finally, the Sportsmanship Award went to Shelley Harris, who flew all the way out from Alaska to compete with her dog Dasko von der Belferlein. This was a very special and emotional event for Shelley, and through it all, she demonstrated good sportsmanship and courage.

Thank You's and Sponsors

An event of this magnitude requires an inordinate amount of help in order to make it a success. Thank you to all the integral people who made this event possible: the helpers, the tracklayers and tracking team, the judges, assistants to the judges, the volunteers for group and gun and microchip scanners, Joeri Verth and Katie Schwarzwaelder (both of whom worked tirelessly before, during, and after the trial; Joeri was also entered in the event!), Vita Nova Schutzhund Club and all their members,

Trial Secretary Michele Clubb, USCA office staff Jody Donaldson and Debbie Sweeney, Event Chair Carissa Kuehn, Event Coordinator Tony Copani, Jim Alloway, Tracking Coordinator Mark Chaffin, and all those who assisted and volunteered at the event at the gate, merchandise and raffle tables, coffee and breakfast stations, and more.

Thank you, also, to the sponsors for the event! Thank you to Jim Hill and Hallmark K9 for providing all the equipment for the trial. Thank you to USCA's official dog food sponsor Kinetic Dog Food, and to sponsors Germantown K9, Baker Bots LLP, Big Bad K9, Arrak, Elite K9, Schonheit German Shepherds, K9 Power, Kustom Krates, and Happy Critter Pet Food.

A big thank you to our videographer for the event, Shelly Timmerman with Shellshots Photography, for capturing all the on-field action for competitors. Thank you to Waine Singleton and IPO Nation Live for assisting with announcing at the event as well as providing a live stream of the stadium phases for all those who could not make it to the trial. And last but certainly not least, a huge thank you to Brian Aghajani of Brian Aghajani Photography, and his wonderful assistant Jessica Vampola (who was also entered in the event!). Brian's world-class photos never disappoint, and he is always fantastic to work with. Thank you all for helping make this an exceptional event!



*Award Winners
(Left to Right):
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Eric Beasley and
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High Mid-Central Region;
Tyler Pluss and
Attack Slovrj
High Southwest Region;
Jessy Gabriel and
Xora van Meerhout
High South Central Region
Bottom Row:
Max Artemchik and
Carro von der Feldweise
High North Central Region;
Liz King and Cody Blendy High
Southeast Region;
Ronny Burmer and
Aldo vom Burmeister BHOT*



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Helper College

The National Helper College is held in conjunction with Nationals each year. The Helper College is open to any helper that has been issued a Trial Helper Record Book and is free to all participants.

The Helper College is an important offering from USCA to promote proper and safe helper work. It also provides opportunities to discuss helper work, demonstrate and teach safe helper work, and review the USCA Helper Program.

This year's Helper College featured a special Guest Teaching Helper, Mr. Greg Simpsa from Holland, along with 12 USCA Teaching Helpers. Approximately 30 helpers at various classification levels – from beginning to National level – participated in the college. The weather was cold and rainy, which made for a very muddy field and limited the amount of trial work that could be done on the field itself. Nevertheless, the participants persevered.

“The [trial] routine was broken down into specific exercises, and we worked on the side of the track and field area,” said Teaching Helper Don Yelle, who was also entered in Nationals with his dog Jekyll vom Rebel Yelle. “The helpers worked through the tough circumstances and were very supportive of the teaching.”



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Thank you to Brian Aghajani for the wonderful photos.

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“Boots on the Ground” Tracklaying at the 2018 USCA GSD Nationals

Story and Photos By Dave MacDougal

Shades of orange, red, gold, magenta, purple and green vistas, accented by light drizzly rain, tantalized the eye as autumn shrouded the hills with cooler temperatures while autumnal winds caused leaves to begin to fall out of the trees. The 2018 USCA GSD Nationals were held at the Robert Morris University Island Sports Center in Pittsburgh, PA from November 2-4, 2018. The tracking was held in the countryside on sod fields near the small town of Evans City, PA about 45 minutes away from the stadium.

Mark Chaffin, the tracking coordinator, selected Jim Sullivan (Alaska), Tim Reiber (Colorado), Willie Ortner, Jr (California), Kris Taylor (California) and myself (Kansas) to be the National tracking team this year. Matt Zavarella was our liaison with the local club who would lead the competitor caravans to the tracking field for each flight. Judge Michael Caputo, USCA was our tracking judge and Judge Deb Krnisch, USCA was the Bi-Richter tracking judge during the trial.

On Wednesday, October 31, as the team was flying and driving into Pittsburgh, Mark and Matt went out to the different possible sod farm fields to decide where the tracking was to take place. This gave Mark ample opportunity to decide what we had to work with and begin to plot out all the different scenarios for the laying out of the tracks. As mentioned in previous articles this “boots on the ground” is so important. Even then, if you have not walked the ground, laying out equal tracks can be difficult since fields are rarely uniform in shape or size and we constantly have to adjust and improvise. This is something I, for one, have to be constantly reminded of because I tend to want to put the track in with the measurements provided and Mark is patient with tutoring me and other team members in the finer elements of tracklaying. Sometimes you are in the middle of laying down a track and you find a problem that cannot be seen from the runway. As a tracklayer you then need to decide if you have to go slightly longer, shorter or maybe even abandon a track so that an equal and fair track can be laid down.

Thursday morning, Mark, Tim, Jim and I arrived at the host hotel for the General Board Meeting which began at 0930 hours and ended at 1230 hours. The agenda covered items as varied as AWDF, electing officers and bylaw changes. After the meeting, we all went to the stadium where one of Mark and Tim's club members was going to practice. With our viewing of the practice sessions completed, Mark and I went to a late lunch, reviewed the upcoming event and of course the main topic was tracklaying and training a dog to track.

Draw night came Thursday night at 1800 hours at the host hotel, the Wyndham Garden Pittsburgh Airport. Light hors d'oeuvres were available for the competitors along with a cash bar on site. The judges, helpers and tracklayers were asked to sit in front of the room during Draw. When each competitor's name was called they came forward, drew a ping pong ball with their flight number, greeted the judges in turn, then the helpers and tracklayers. A helper sleeve was placed in front of the helpers and a boot was placed in front of the tracklayers. Each competitor placed a voluntary donation in the sleeve and boot to help defray helper and tracklayer expenses and it was greatly appreciated. Draw completed about 2015 hours and we went back to our respective hotels so we could arise early to caravan to the tracking fields.

On Friday morning the tracking team met at the stadium parking lot at 0600 hours. When I arrived early, at 0530 hours, I found Mark already there with his dogs airing out as he had been up plotting out how to get in all the tracks. For those who do not know Mark Chaffin, he is a perfectionist where tracking is concerned and rightfully prides himself in always providing a fair and equal chance for each competitor to achieve that elusive 100 point track. He also is a great mentor in that he instills this track laying work ethic into each member of his team.

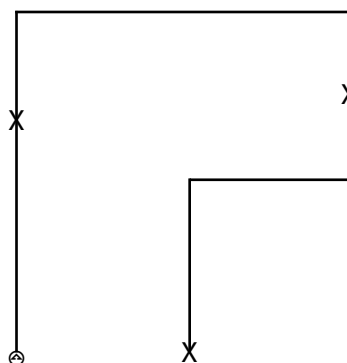
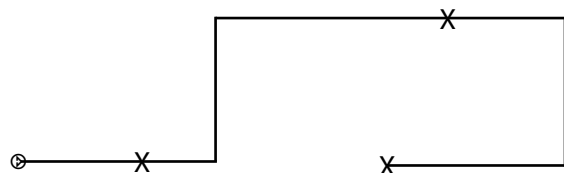
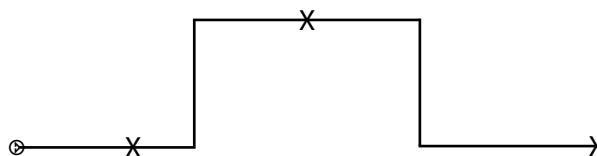
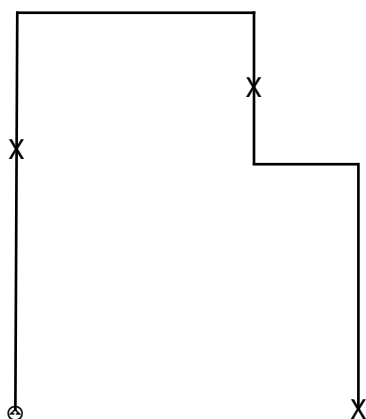
Once everyone had arrived, we caravanned to the first tracking field, which we missed in the dark the first

time as the dirt driveway is not well marked and GPS coordinates are plus or minus about 3-8 meters. This error is enough to cause confusion in the dark when you have only been there once in the daytime. Finding the dark, narrow, dirt driveway we proceeded down a slippery, muddy driveway and parked in a small grassy area behind the house located at the sod field.

Tracking conditions were almost ideal with temperatures from 42-48 degrees F Friday and light misting rain. The sod fields were lush, wet grass and only in some areas did we have to avoid leaves from the trees along the sod field borders. At 0800 hours we began to lay in the first tracks putting in six tracks with the last one for the bitch in heat. We later found that we only had five dogs including the bitch in heat and so we had burned an area due to miscommunication. While we began to run the tracks with our handler/dog teams, Mark drove with Willie and Kris to another field about two miles away to complete laying down the remainder of flight two tracks. Tim and I would follow as soon as our tracks were run. Jim would follow with the judge once his tracks were run.

During flight two, a handler/dog team accidentally fouled a track and a re-track was granted when the tracklayer made it known. We had an extra track laid already and it did not put us behind schedule. The remainder of flights two and three went smoothly and we finished tracking about 1330 hours. Once Mark and I aired our dogs we drove back to the stadium to watch the remainder of the day in obedience and protection.

We were up again early Saturday morning to meet at the stadium parking lot and our team caravanned to the next set of tracking fields arriving an hour before daylight. Conditions for the handler/dog teams remained ideal Saturday with light rain and temperatures still 42-57 degrees F throughout the day. Saturday afternoon, as the last two handler/dog teams competed, the sun finally showed through the clouds and it was a wonderful ending to a great day. These fields were slightly more challenging to lay out tracks since we had different sizes and shapes of sod fields to deal with. This made it interesting for tracklayers as we did not have to keep laying down the same track repeatedly. Some of the different track patterns we used during the trial are shown below.



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Pittsburgh and the surrounding suburbs are on the Appalachian Plateau with many hills with steep slopes. Sunday morning, while driving to the stadium to meet the team, we drove through patches of fog with visibility of 100-150 yards. The outside ambient temperature had fallen from what had been 42-45 degrees F each night to 34 degrees F. After Mark and I aired our dogs at the stadium parking lot, we caravanned to the last tracking field with Tim and Jim leading the way. Once out in the country the fog



abated but we did find frost on the grass sod fields.

At 0700 hours Tim laid in the first tracks then I followed and then Jim laid the last tracks to complete the flight. We could see the track laid out in the frost



and knew it would be great tracking today. Willie arrived with the judge at 0800 and then laid out the next three tracks and I finished with the last two tracks. By 0800 the frost had burned off and yet we could still see the track in the wet sod grass. We finished Sunday about 1030 hours and the tracking was completed for the 2018 USCA GSD Nationals.

The Nationals this year was truly amazing for tracking conditions. Temperatures were never exceeding 57 degrees F and the light misting rain and winds did not deter the teams in completing tracks. The sod was plush wet grass that held the scent and footsteps well so that all teams had a great chance at a 100 point



track. Two teams did achieve that elusive perfection with 23 other teams being awarded 96 or higher V scores. Out of 68 competitor teams there was an additional 18 teams with scores of 90-95 points. In all, there were 62 tracks laid for 59 competitors and only one was a re-track with the other two extra tracks laid in due to communication errors.

It is has been an honor and very rewarding to have been chosen to be a member of the USCA National Tracklaying team again this year at the USCA GSD Nationals as I am always awed and humbled watching some amazing handler/dog teams compete. It was also a fantastic time to catch up not only with friends from around the USA but also with a good friend from the Netherlands who was visiting and watching a dog from his kennel in competition. Thank you to all my fellow tracklayers and it was awesome meeting our two new team members and learning about their training and tracking experiences. Thank you to Judges Caputo and Krnisch as to their support of our tracklaying team and the competitors for all the heartfelt thanks and handshakes for the work of laying in the tracks with our boots on the ground.

Feeding and Management for Optimal Performance

By John Howard, Co-Owner, Kinetic® Performance Dog Food

Some of the most common questions we get do not have much to do with the actual nutritional aspects of our products. These questions fall more under the “Feeding and Management” areas of canine care and are more about when and how often to feed. We have touched on these subjects in past articles but they are important enough that we wanted to address them in more detail.

Fasting Performance Is Higher

To lay some groundwork, it is important to understand that dogs perform much better under fasting conditions than humans do. They use slower burning energy sources, such as fat, much better than we do. Consequently, they are able to store and use energy long after feeding much better than we do. By increasing the time between feeding and work, you are also increasing the likelihood that your dog will burn fat during exercise rather than protein or carbohydrates. This is a good thing for improved performance. At a bare minimum, we would prefer to see 6-8 hours between feeding and extended work periods. Optimally, your dog will perform better with at least 12 hours and as much as 17 or 18. While even more might be helpful in some cases, it usually is not practical due to daily activity requirements.

Once or Twice Per Day Feedings?

Based on the preferred fasting time, once per day would be the obvious preference for feeding frequency as it would allow you to maximize the fasting period before work. Unfortunately, there are a couple factors that can make this problematic. The first is that a dog needs to cool down a bit after work so you would need to wait around an hour to feed. Even with that, some dogs will not want to eat enough so soon after work so a second feeding may be required.

The second factor that can drive two feeding is the amount of food required. Your dog may not get enough food in just one meal to support their calorie intake requirements. In either of these cases, feeding a couple of meals after daily work is a reasonable alternative that will allow you to get enough calories

into your dog and still allow a fasting period of at least 12 hours.

After Work Feeding Benefits

Another benefit to feeding after work, beyond just the fasting period for the next day, is the repair work that is fueled for the day’s work that was just completed. While the fat is going to be essential in fueling tomorrow’s work, the protein is needed to recover and repair the wear and tear from today’s work. After a cooling down and rehydration period of 30-60 minutes, getting protein into your dog can jumpstart the muscle healing and replenishing process that will sustain activity in successive days.

Performance Feeding Checklist

Here is a short feeding and management checklist for reference.

- 1) Fasting before work, preferably for 12 hours, allows your dog to perform at a higher level.
- 2) Once per day feeding of a high fat diet would be optimal.
- 3) If once per day is not feasible, two feedings will work provided you can still allow a 12 hour fasting period.
- 4) Work should be followed by a 30-60 minute cooling and rehydration period.
- 5) Refueling your dog with protein around 60 minutes after work ends provides the fuel to build and replenish muscles.

If you can follow these practices, combined with the proper nutrition, you should be able to keep your dog performing at a high level day in and day out.

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National Breed Warden's Message

By Heidi Theis, USCA NBW

Greetings to all and I wish everyone the greatest success with your dogs in 2019. I have been busy over the winter trying to update our breed related documents and organizing them for the USCA website. I am happy that by the time this is published, most everything should be updated and posted for you.

I wish to extend a thank to NW Regional Breed Warden, Christina Clay, for bringing the following article by Louis C. MacDonald (published in the SV magazine) to my attention. I would also like to thank SV Judge Liaison and RH Judge, Stephanie Dunion, for contacting the SV office for me and obtaining an English version of this article and the permission to republish it in the USCA magazine for our membership.

Permission was not granted to post this article to social media or anywhere else other than the USCA Magazine.

As National Breed Warden, I thought this article would be very informative on the overall structure of the German Shepherd Dog breed both for working enthusiasts who are always asking me questions about structure and the show enthusiasts. This article also discusses the issue of over-angulation of the hind quarter in detail. I have had serious concerns on the issue of over-angulation in the hind quarter of the show line dog for several years now, and I am increasingly concerned it is rapidly becoming a problem in the working line dog, too. Normal and correct hind angulation is of extreme importance for the working ability of our breed, and it is easy to get too much of it in as little as one generation.

Whether you do or do not understand the GSD structure very well, this article is a good resource and learning tool for all.

Heidi L. Theis,
USCA National Breed Warden

***Kenner der Rasse (Right) Reprinted with permission from Nancy Herms
Originally published in: SV Magazine - August 2018
Beginning section in German translated below:***

CONNOISSEUR OF THE BREED

*At 15, Louis C. Donald bought his first German Shepherd. Since then,
the Australian has devoted his life to the welfare and development of the breed.*

KENNER DER RASSE

Mit 15 kaufte sich Louis C. Donald seinen ersten Deutschen Schäferhund. Seitdem hat der Australier sein Leben dem Wohl und der Entwicklung der Rasse gewidmet.



LOUIS C. DONALD

About the Author SV Foreign List Judge retired, ANKC Working Dog Group Judge, GSDCA Specialist Judge, GSDCA Training Judge, GSDCA Breed Surveyor, WUSV Continental Director. Louis is 70 years of age and he was born in Ireland. His father is Irish and his mother Italian. Louis lives on the Gold Coast in Queensland, Australia with his wife Gail.

Louis purchased his first German Shepherd Dog when he was 15 years of age. His second GSD, a bitch was Australia's first National Show Siegerin. He established his kennel 'Bratara', which was for 16 years Australia's most successful GSD kennel winning many awards including three National Gold medals. At the 2nd National GSD Show under Dr Rummel, Louis' kennel won both the Sieger and Siegerin awards. His breeders team was exhibited the GSDCA National Shows six times for six times the winning kennel.

At age 17 Louis was elected as his club's 'Chief Training Instructor', at age 18 he was the club's 'Vice President' and at age 20 the club's 'President'. At age 21 he was on the Board of the Kennel Control Judges Training Panel lecturing and examining judges on the German Shepherd Dog.

He became a member of the SV in 1972.

In 1974 he became a Working Dog Judge. In 1978 he did his initial examinations in Germany to become Australia's first SV Foreign List Judge and in 1987 he completed his additional tests to become a Full SV Foreign List judge. He is one of Australia's first Breed Surveyors – Kormeisters - and at that time was responsible for developing, managing and writing the procedure manual and rules for the earliest Breed Survey Training Schemes and responsible for the training and examining of all Breed Surveyors.

Louis has judged the National GSD Show in England, on a number of occasions judged in Singapore, Vietnam, India, Philippines, New Zealand, Malaysia, Taiwan, Thailand, Indonesia, Hong Kong, South Africa, and Iceland. In 1976 at age 29 Louis was elected President of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia. Due to the prohibition of importing German Shepherd Dogs into Australia for over 50 years at that time there were no GSD breed improvement schemes whatsoever for the German Shepherd Dog. Australia was an All Breeds controlled environment and at Specialty Shows there were no awards such as gradings, there were no written critiques, nor dogs placed first to last in the class.

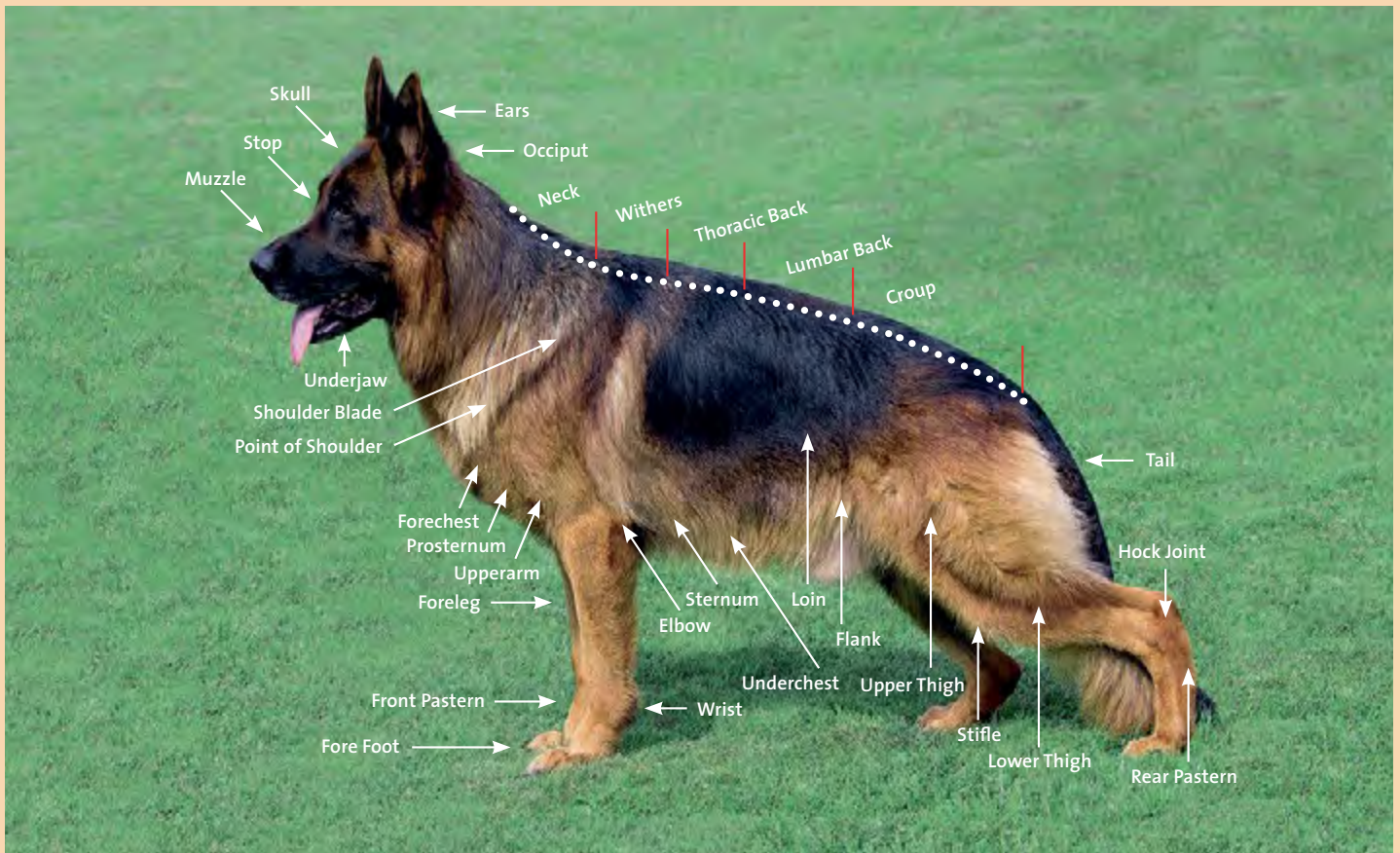
With regular visits to Germany Louis worked closely in conjunction with Dr Rummel and later Herman Martin to effectively clone the SV in Australia in a professional and systematic way. He put forward a futuristic 10 year + time line strategy for the implementation of breed improvement schemes in 1977. With support from his committed executive team and all GSDCA member club Presidents all but the last item shown below was put in place under his initiation and management as GSDCA President, a position he held unopposed for some 19 consecutive years, 1976 - 1995.

Louis is a prolific writer and educator on the GSD with a large world following of his educational website www.louisdonald.com.

THE NORMAL HINDQUARTER OF THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG

Part 1 of a two-part article on the hindquarter of the German Shepherd Dog.

Von Louis Donald

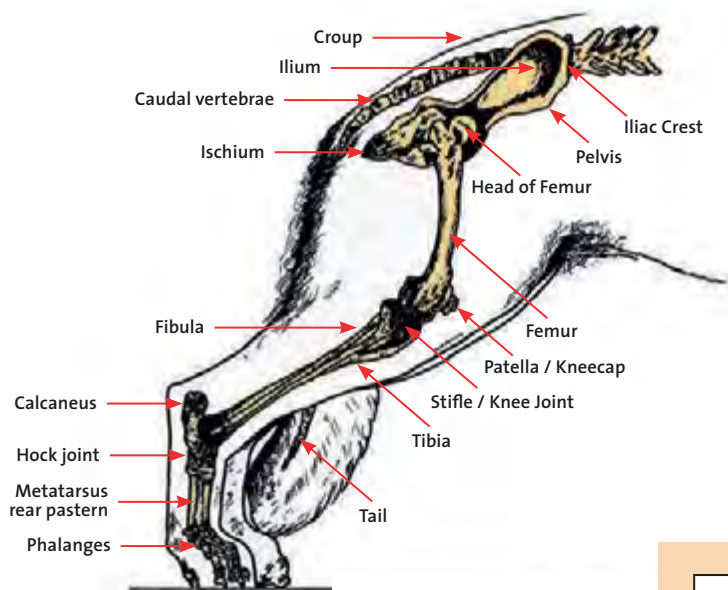


Bred for purpose

A well constructed, healthy and temperamentally sound German Shepherd Dog is an ideal family dog. In historically fundamental terms it is a medium speed, sheep herding, sheep tending, protection, trotting dog and the SV standard is constructed around this core premise. Within the core premise is the need for the German

Shepherd Dog to demonstrate anatomical, physical and mental characteristics that exemplify energy efficient ground covering movement that is associated with exceptional powers of endurance. A broad, moderately angulated and muscularly well-developed hindquarter is critical to that premise.

THE HINDQUARTER – ITS COMPONENT PARTS



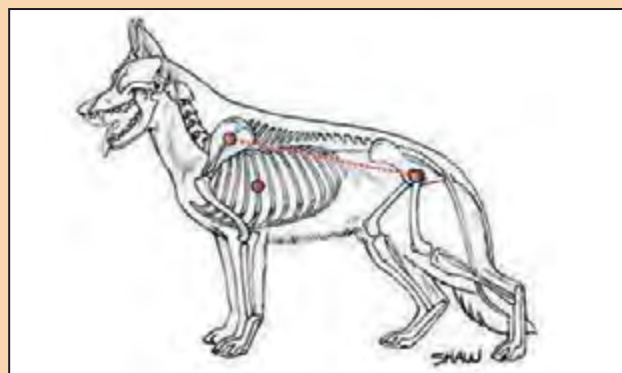
Definition

The posterior part of the dog, it consists of the croup, pelvis, sacrum, tail, femur, knee joint, patella, tibia, fibula, hock joint, rear pastern and rear feet. The hindquarter includes bones, muscles, tendons, ligaments and a complex circulatory and nervous system.

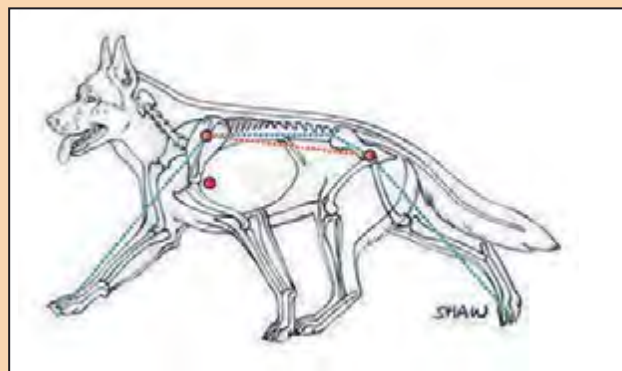
Rear Pivot point and centre of gravity

There are two pivot points in the dog. A 'rear pivot point' which is located within the hip joint and a 'forward pivot point' which is located about 1/3 down from the top of the scapula. Understanding this is critical to understanding the impact of gravity and the process of energy transmission, and locomotion. The forward pivot point is located at the approximate centre of the serratus ventralis muscles attachment to the scapula. This muscle connects the shoulder blade to the thorax. Shown in interconnecting orange dots, these are the transfer points in the energy transmission line that go from the hindquarter to the forequarter. They can be visualised as being akin to the universal joints in a motor vehicle tail shaft. The end of the spine where it joins the top of the pelvis at the iliosacral joint (the joint between the sacrum and the ilium bones of the pelvis) may seem to be a logical rear pivot point but its not. This is because it is literally a fixed point ($1 > 2$ degrees max. of movement)

The angle between the rear & fore pivot point and the angle of the transmission conduit impacts on locomotive efficiency, more particularly endurance i.e. 2 to 3 hours of continuous trotting.



ANGLE WHEN STANDING The forward pivot point is located at the approximate center of the serratus ventralis muscles attachment to the scapula.

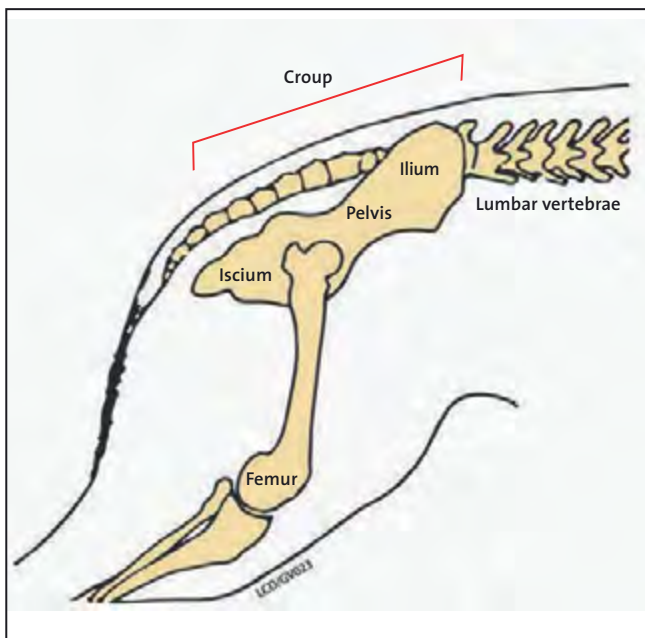


ANGLE WHEN TROTTING At around an optimum of approximately 7 degrees during the trot phase, it should not be too angled in either direction.

The angle between the pivot points denoted in orange, changes from when the dog is standing through the various locomotive phases of walk to trot to gallop. Only the angle in the trot is shown here. At around an optimum of approximately 7 degrees during the trot phase, it should not be too angled in either direction. Many canine terms originate from the horse and whilst many horse terms are

used in dogs, horses should not be compared to dogs in functional terms and this is because in a number of instances it is not a matter of similarity but contrast. For example, the croup is the highest point of the horse's topline, higher than the withers, whilst in the German Shepherd Dog it is the complete reverse. The implications of this in a locomotive sense are significant.

THE CROUP AND THE PELVIS



The SV/FCI standard No 166 - 23/12/2010 states: 'The croup should be long and slightly sloping approximately 23 degrees to the horizontal. The upper line should merge into the base of the tail without interruption.'

Visually the croup spans the area from just a little ahead of the crest of the ilium - pin bones - to the root of the tail. It consists of the first 5 - 6 muscle covered caudal [tail] vertebrae, some connecting lumbar vertebrae muscle at the sacrum, muscles, ligaments, overlaying fat, dermis, tissue, skin and hair.

Croup angle

The designation of a 'croup angle' is unique to the German Shepherd Dog and in my opinion serves little real purpose. I say this because in a trotting dog the 'angle of the pelvis' is what is important not the aesthetic of the over line which is affected by the set on of the dog's tail.

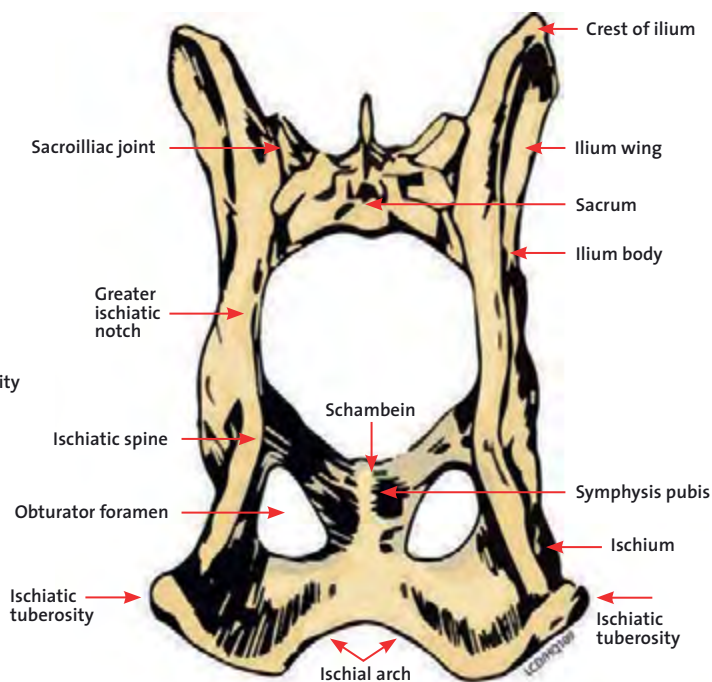
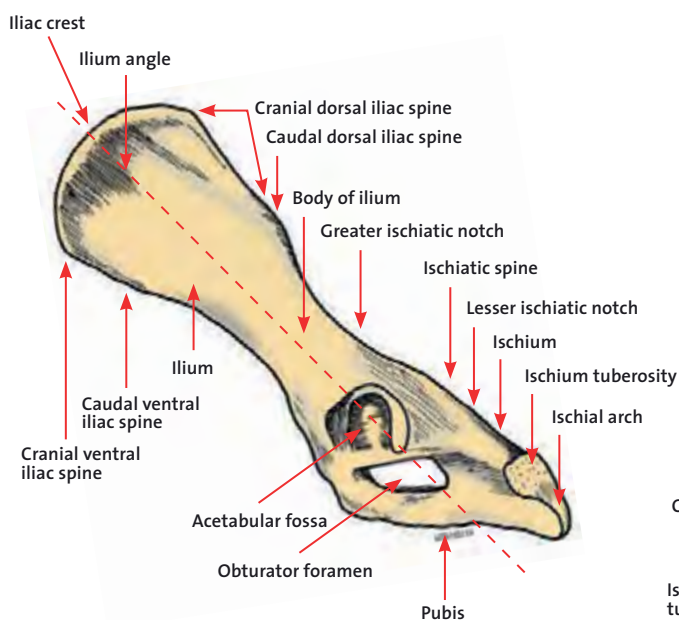
THE CROUP Visually the croup spans the area from just a little ahead of the crest of the ilium - pin bones - to the root of the tail.

The pelvis consists of two symmetrical sets of bones that become fused together as the dog matures to form one solid bone. The pelvis is attached to the lower part of the spine called the sacrum by a left and right sacroiliac joint. These joints carry the weight of the hindquarters when the dog is standing and unlike the hip, knee, elbow and other joints, they have very limited movement.



X-RAY SCAN Lumbar spine lumbar sacral junction.

The sacrum - S1, connects the pelvis to the dog's spine at the lumbar vertebra - L7, this is called the 'lumbosacral junction'.



THE ILIUM The pelvis consists of four distinct bones: ilium, ischium, pubis and acetabular bone. The ilium, illustrated, is the largest component.

THE PELVIS The ilium, ischium and pubis are separated at birth but fuse together as the dog develops.

Lumbar spine lumbosacral junction

The lumbar spine can flex and bend, all thanks to intervertebral discs. The greatest point of ventral (underside) intervertebral disc compression is at the L7 when the spine is bending and this is potentially a weak spot within the spine. The relevance of the lumbar spine and its ability to bend to the hindquarter is this; When a dog is running at any phase, the pelvis itself does not change its angle to any real measurable degree, it is the lumbar spine that changes the pelvis' angle and therefore the angle of the lumbar spine relative to the horizontal when the dog is standing is significant. That is, as the lumbar spine bends downward the pelvis gets steeper, steeper when the dog is standing and steeper when it is in a locative phase.

The pelvis consists of four distinct bones: ilium, ischium, pubis and acetabular bone.

The largest section is the ilium, the crest of which is called the hip in humans. The ischium connects the femur via the acetabular fossa.

The pubis has a cartilaginous midline join within it called the symphysis pubis. This expands in females when they are giving birth.

The ilium, ischium and pubis are separated at birth but fuse together as the dog develops. This fusing process is normally complete by about the twelfth postnatal week forming the socket that receives the head of the femur thereby creating the hip joint.

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Croup length

The standard calls for a long croup, in effect it is calling for a long pelvis. It stipulates 'long' because length is important in affording ample area of attachment and spread for the muscles of the upper thigh and loin. A long pelvis equates to a wide upper thigh and a short pelvis equates to a narrow upper thigh. Whilst a long pelvis is desirable, it is the length of the ischium that is really important and this is because the longer the ischium the better the leverage for the adductor muscle as it pulls on the femur generating hind thrust.

Croup /pelvis length is best determined not by visually trying to work out where the pelvis is but by looking at the outer face of the upper thigh (see red arrow) and drawing an imaginary vertical line upward - this is the start of the croup and its end is the end of the buttocks. This is explained in some detail a little later in the article.

A short croup/pelvis is always steep - a matter related to locomotive engineering and seen in the below photograph. Short steep croup = narrow muscle mass. Very good croup = broad muscle mass.

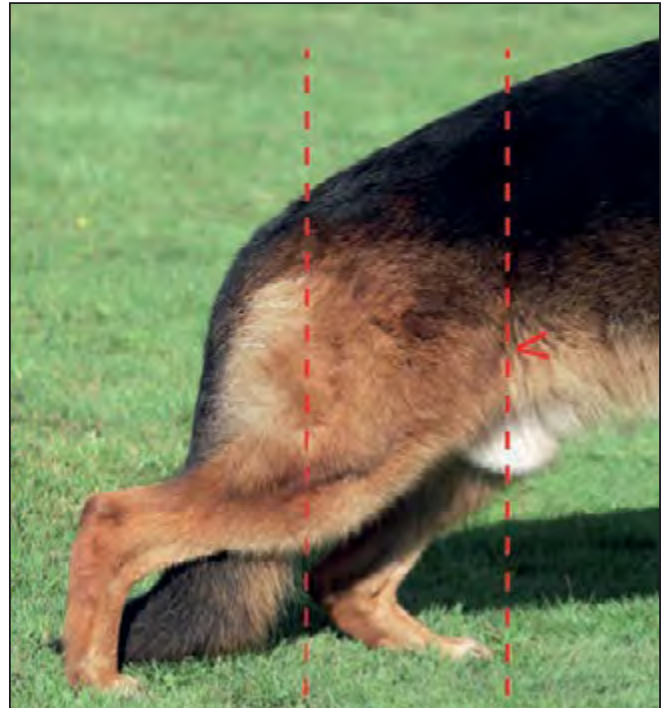
The pelvis should be a little wider in females than males and this means that the acetabula are 'normally' a little further apart in females.

Croup & upper thigh muscles

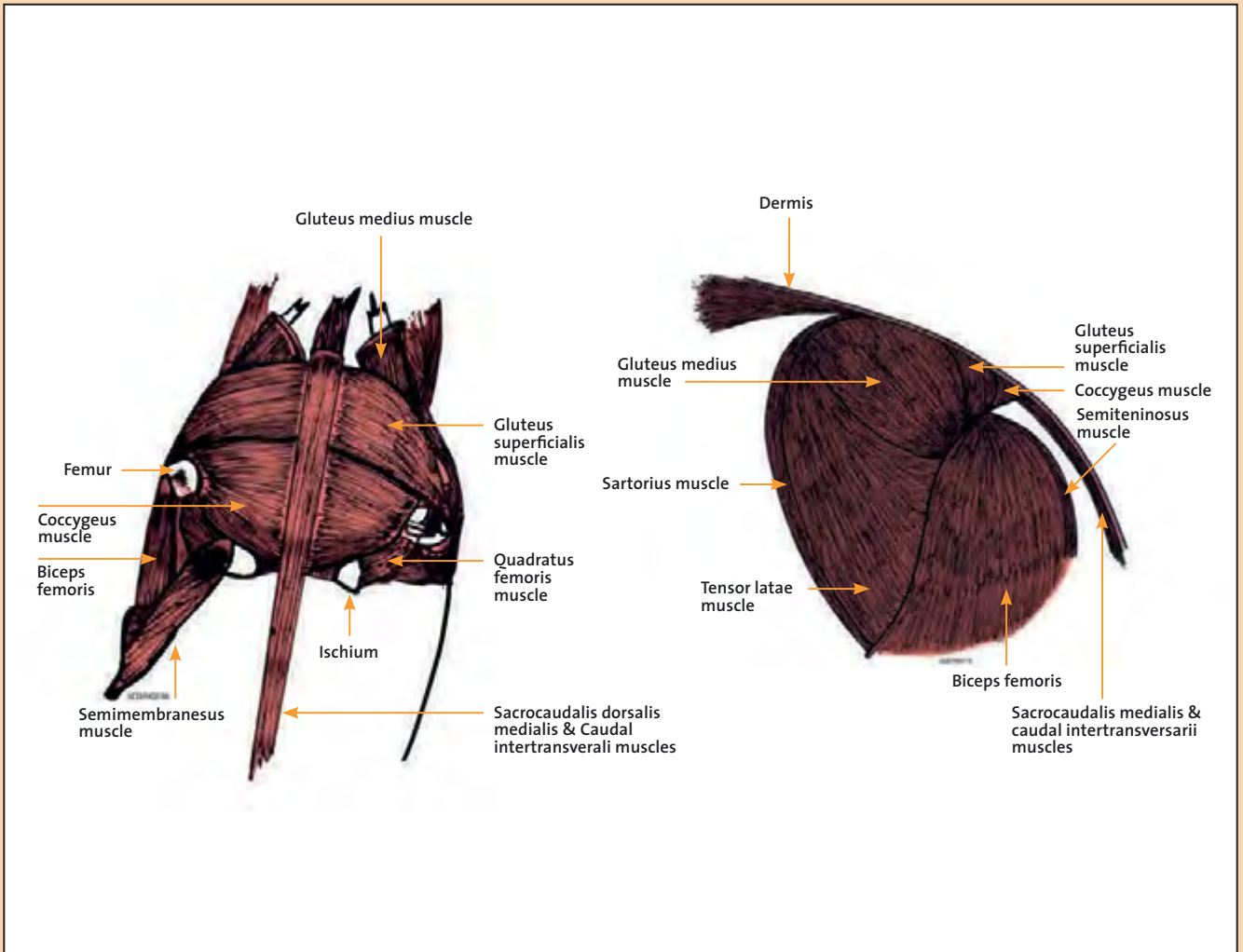
To the sides of the croup are the upper attachments of a number of upper thigh muscles, the 'quadriceps muscle group'. The gluteal, sartorius, tensor fasciae, semimembranosus, and semitendinosus muscles. By seeing them laterally and more particularly dorsally, the width of the croup and how it attains its outward form is understood.



CROUP 1 Short steep croup = narrow muscle mass.



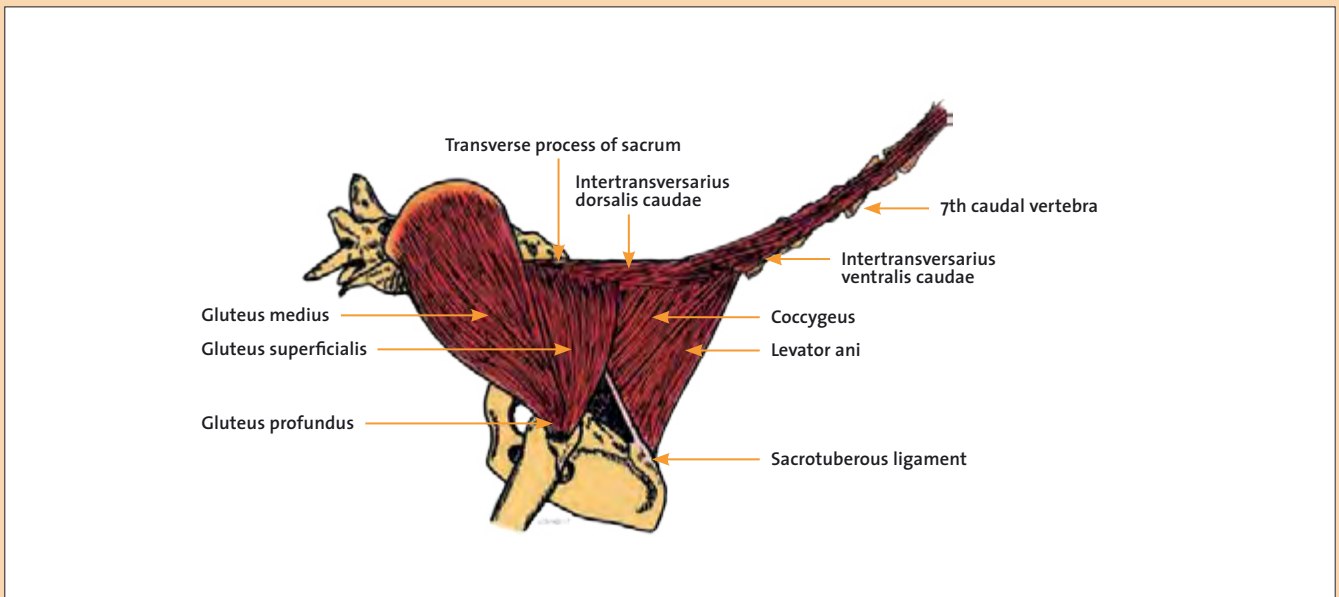
CROUP 2 Very good croup = broad muscle mass.



CROUP AND UPPER THIGH MUSCLES The gluteus and caudal muscles form the sub strata to the croup's outer form.

Muscles of the croup by function

Gluteus medius	Extends the hip joint, rotates the hip prevents lateral rotation of the hip during weight bearing	Sartorius	Flexes hip and stifle while limb is being protracted. Extends stifle joint during stance phase
Biceps Femoris	Extends the hip joint, is a minor stifle extensor and extends the tarsal joint	Sacrocaudal dorsalis	Lifts the tail
Gluteus superficialis	Extends the hip joint	Coccygeus	Presses the tail against the anus after defecating and draws the tail between the rear limbs
Gluteus Profundus	Turns the cranial (toward the head) face of the thigh medially (inwardly)	Levator ani	Supports pelvic organs, also plays an important function in preventing urinary incontinence
Tensor latae	Flexes the hip, abducts the limb and extends the stifle (knee) joint		



CROUP AND TAIL Illustration of the muscles of the croup showing the tail elevated.

Angle/slope of the croup

The standard calls for the croup to be slightly sloping and defines slightly sloping as being approximately 23°. It does not say a great deal in regard to its curvature profile.

Putting aside muscle, there are two primary components that form the croup's visual slope and shape. These are the pelvis [angle] and a section of the tail, the latter of which can be problematic in visual application. There is more information on that later under the section of 'tail set'. The angle of 23° is determined off the horizontal plane start-

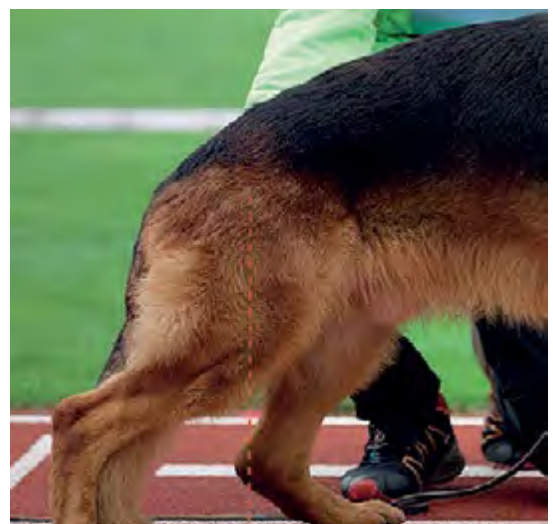
ing at about the uppermost point of the iliac crest [pin bone] and ending at about the 5th to 6th tail vertebrae.

Croup profile

The desired croup profile is a flowing extension of the backline, the line of which should be curved not sharply angular which makes the 'pin bones' prominent. The curved profile is desired not just because it gives a pleasing, clean flowing line, but because a curve personifies well developed gluteal muscles whereas an angular line indicates under developed gluteal muscles.



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PELVIS FUNCTION DURING LOCOMOTION



FUNCTION OF THE PELVIS 1 Hip rise and fall rotation.

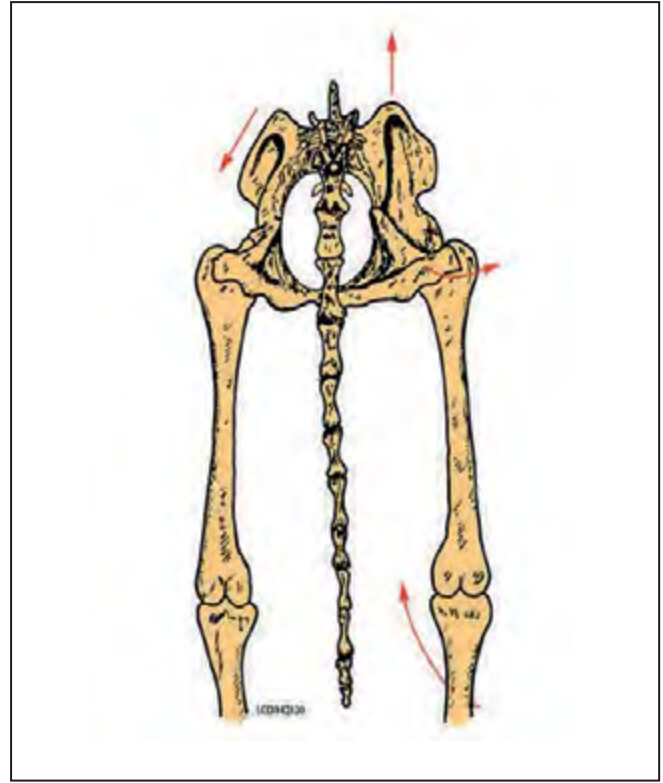
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A primary function of the pelvis is to absorb and direct energy from the hind limbs, both vertically and horizontally. The angle of the pelvis is fundamental to determining the direction of that energy, its vertical/horizontal spread, vertically for lift and horizontally for forward locomotion.

Another aspect relating to the pelvis angle is a dog's agility - fast turning ability. Agility demands that the dog's feet be able to be placed well under its body (trunk) during locomotion.

Within the constraints of the need for balance, there is obviously a need for a much higher percentage of forward (pushing) energy than upward (lifting) energy. This is discussed in the neck article.

In the various 'footfall sequences' (the order in which the paws are set on the ground) the pelvis itself does not change its angle to any significant degree, it is the lumbar spine to which the pelvis is attached via the sacroiliac joint that changes angle and the pelvis simply goes with it. This is why the lumbar spines angle impacts on the pelvis angle.



FUNCTION OF THE PELVIS 2 So the motions of the pelvis seen from behind in one complete stride are: right side; rise, rotate, tilt, fall - left side; rise, rotate, tilt, fall, etc.

In the trot and impacted primarily by the amount of drive (force) but affected by feet placement (single track v's wide track), angle of the pelvis (steep v's flat) and the degree of forward swinging foot over reach (normal rear foot over reach v's excessive rear foot over reach), the pelvis rhythmically rises, rotates, tilts from side to side and falls. Seen horizontally from behind as the dog trots away: as the right rear foot at its fully extended rearward position pushes upward and forward, the right side of the pelvis rises and as it rises it swings to the right, shortly after this it tilts to the left and then drops as the foot comes in front of the hip and proceeds to make contact with the ground. So the motions of the pelvis seen from behind in one complete stride are: right side; rise, rotate, tilt, fall - left side; rise, rotate, tilt, fall, etc.

In terms of energy efficiency for a trotting dog the less the amount of displacement outside the norm, the better.

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Pelvis angle

The standard calls for a pelvis angle of 27 degrees. Subject to a normal tail set, good muscle condition and a full coat that equates to about 23 degrees over the croup.

As stated earlier, the angle of the pelvis, more specifically the angle of the ilium, is important to achieving the optimum balance of uplift for the hindquarters and forward thrust to the forelimbs, which are activated to catch the forward shift in the dog's centre of gravity. Gravity, and gravity induced momentum can't be seen, and what can't be seen tends to be out of mind, but gravity and momentum play an incredibly important part in dog locomotion and that said, I refer to gravities positives and negatives – speeding up and slowing down.

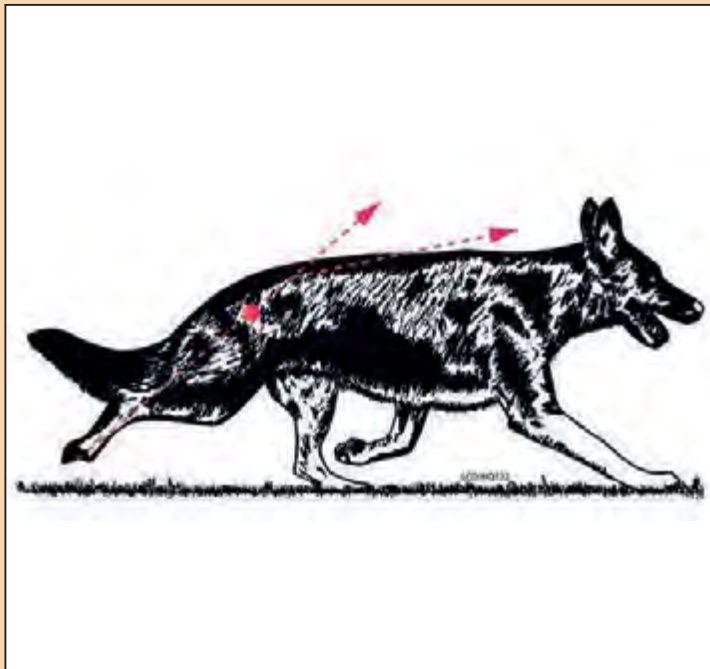
The angle of the pelvis tends to remain fairly static during a dog's development but having said that, in many cases the angle can change as the limbs develop. I refer here to puppies that are overbuilt in the rear and as they achieve their final development their forelimbs get longer, the withers get higher and the angle of the pelvis changes, all be it marginal.

A dog's hindquarter locomotive efficiency can only be accurately determined when it is trotting at a steady medi-



X-RAY The illustration shows the pelvis and loin region of a six-year-old male German Shepherd Dog.

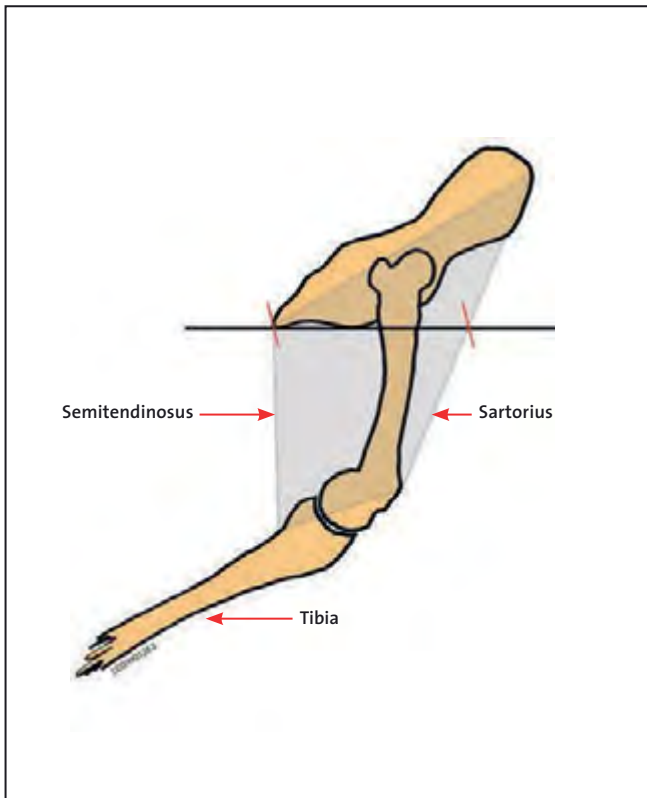
um speed, on a loose lead and not being encouraged by a handler holding a ball aloft or the dog being called from outside the ring. The practice of dogs gaiting too fast is a fools errand that achieves nothing other than misguided crowd applause and too often superior dogs being beaten by anatomically inferior dogs who's handlers can run faster than their colleagues.



LOCOMOTION 1 Illustration of a German Shepherd: Energy directed up and forward in balance with the forehand.



LOCOMOTION 2 A well-angled croup and very good hind angulation. Metatarsal pad of the rear foot and not the rear pastern absorbs the ground impact.



THE UPPER THIGH Long well laid pelvis = broad muscle mass = potentially powerful hind thrust



GAIT 1 Balanced rear and fore excursion distances, correct length of over reach crossover and ideal rear pastern opening angle.

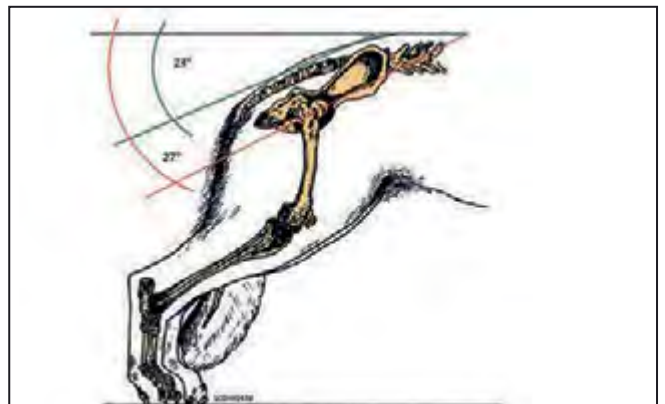


GAIT 2 Lifting the foreleg at the elbow - an energy consuming crowd pleaser.

Upper thigh width

The following diagram shows how the upper thighs width is determined by the outer edge of the sartorius and semi-tendinosus muscles. A narrow upper thigh equals a short pelvis and a wide upper thigh equals a long pelvis. Pelvis length approximate to normal femur length.

In symmetrical gaits, in most dog breeds where optimum construction exists, the rear stride excursion distance approximates the fore stride excursion distance and therefore there is no rear/fore feet incursion. If there is a difference it is usually the fore stride being a bit longer than the rear stride. In the German Shepherd Dog, because of its characteristic abundant fore and hind angulation there is ,over reach' and equal rear/front foot fall is achieved by moderate rear/forefeet over reach [moderate = the rear foot passing the imprint left by the corresponding front foot by about the width of the dog's rear foot, as seen in the photograph below]. If it exceeds this cross over amount, some part of the underside face of the rear pastern of the dog will come in contact with the ground. The more the underside face of the rear pasterns makes contact with the ground the less desirable it is from the point of efficiency and transmitted shock into the rear pastern and on into the stifle joint. Prolonged rear pastern contact causes pre-



GAIT 3 The ideal angle of the pelvis determined off the horizontal plane for a trotting dog is deemed to be in the range of approximately 27 degrees. Allowing a few degrees for a normal tail formation and thickness this equates to a 23 degree croup.

ture hindquarter muscle fatigue and muscle soreness. In symmetrical gaits, in most dog breeds where optimum construction exists, the rear stride excursion distance approximates the fore stride excursion distance and therefore there is no rear/fore feet incursion. If there is a difference it is usually the fore stride being a bit longer than the rear stride. In the German Shepherd Dog, because of its characteristic abundant fore and hind angulation there is ,over reach' and equal rear/front foot fall is achieved by moderate rear/forefeet over reach [moderate = the rear

foot passing the imprint left by the corresponding front foot by about the width of the dog's rear foot, as seen in the photograph below]. If it exceeds this cross over amount, some part of the underside face of the rear pastern of the dog will come in contact with the ground. The more the underside face of the rear pasterns makes contact with the ground the less desirable it is from the point of efficiency and transmitted shock into the rear pastern and on into the stifle joint. Prolonged rear pastern contact causes premature hindquarter muscle fatigue and muscle soreness. Balanced rear and fore excursion distances, correct length of over reach crossover and ideal rear pastern opening angle. Blue dots represent the rear and fore pivot points. If the hindquarter is deficient the forehand will respond in a number of ways from short stepping, pounding and energy sapping lifting the foreleg at the elbow - a now common observation.

The ideal angle of the pelvis determined off the horizontal plane for a trotting dog is deemed to be in the range of approximately 27 degrees. Allowing a few degrees for a normal tail formation and thickness this equates to a 23 degree croup. This gives a nice balance between uplift and forward transmission of energy to the forequarter.

Pelvises don't come out of a factory, their shapes are not identical. More specifically, some dogs have a longer ischium than others and for abductor muscle attachment and leverage the longer the ischium the better for hindquarter drive/thrust.

Assessing the pelvis angle requires not only technical understanding of canine anatomy and the ability to see past the dog's hair but an accounting for how the dog is standing at the time of assessment because the angle of the pelvis changes as the dog shifts its feet position, especially when stretching one or both rear feet backward.

We know from observation that if the uppermost part of the iliac crest or lumbar back is level with or higher than any section of the thoracic back when the dog is standing naturally (not over stretched or excessively sloping over the backline because of overangulation of the hindquarter) the dog will fall on the forehand during the trot, and putting aside muscle development and training, the degree of falling on the forehand will generally reflect the height differential.

Note: It is not unusual to see young puppies that are overbuilt in the hindquarters, consequently falling on the forehand and showing the classical compensatory exaggerated high lifting of the forefeet. This is often a result of uneven growth of the limbs, which corrects itself when growth is complete.

Muscles

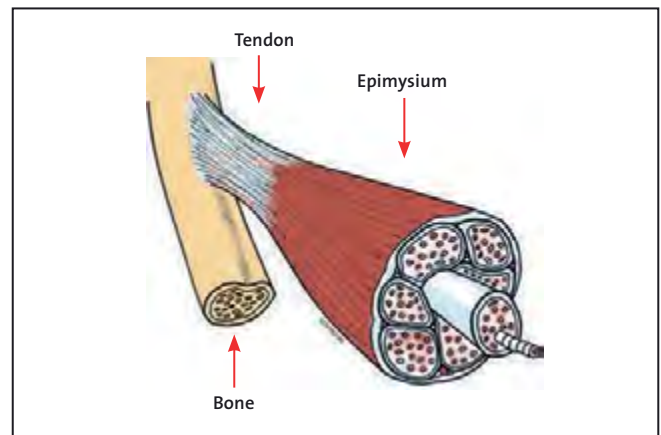
Muscles are composed of myofilaments, which consist of myosin and actin. A bunch of myofilaments create a myofibril. Hundreds of myofibrils bunched together create a muscle fibre and each large muscle contains hundreds of

thousands of myofibrils. Muscle contraction occurs when these filaments slide over one another in a series of repetitive events. The greater the muscles mass the more myofibrils and therefore the greater the hind thrust potential and the dog's powers of endurance.

Muscle development tends to be given too little consideration in German Shepherd Dog specialist show judging, it has to be felt, palpated, to be assessed. Well-developed primary hindquarter muscles bulge and are firm to the touch. Muscle tone cannot be easily determined by sight especially when it relates to a long stock hair dogs and the concept of judging only by sight does not accommodate long stock coat animals.

High set tail

A high tail set does not impact negatively on locomotion, therefore just like a nick behind the withers it is an 'aesthetic undesirability' and not something to be penalised. It is a characteristic that would only come into play in the never exists but often quoted, all being exactly equal' scenario.



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Upper thigh

Primarily comprised of the hip joint, femur, muscles and tendons.

Hip joint

The hip joint is a ball and socket joint that attaches the dog's hind legs to its body. The spherical head of the femur sits in the acetabulum of the pelvis and its shape and fitting allows a great range of movement. The iliofemoral, ischiofemoral and pubofemoral ligaments provide the primary resistance to dislocation in an extended hip. In the trot the head of the femur rotates in the 40 degrees to 50 degrees range and as you will read a little further on, the rotation range is of significance to stride excursion distance and movement efficiency.

Femur head rotation

The rotation of the femur in the hip joint is responsible for the greatest contribution to step length during the walk

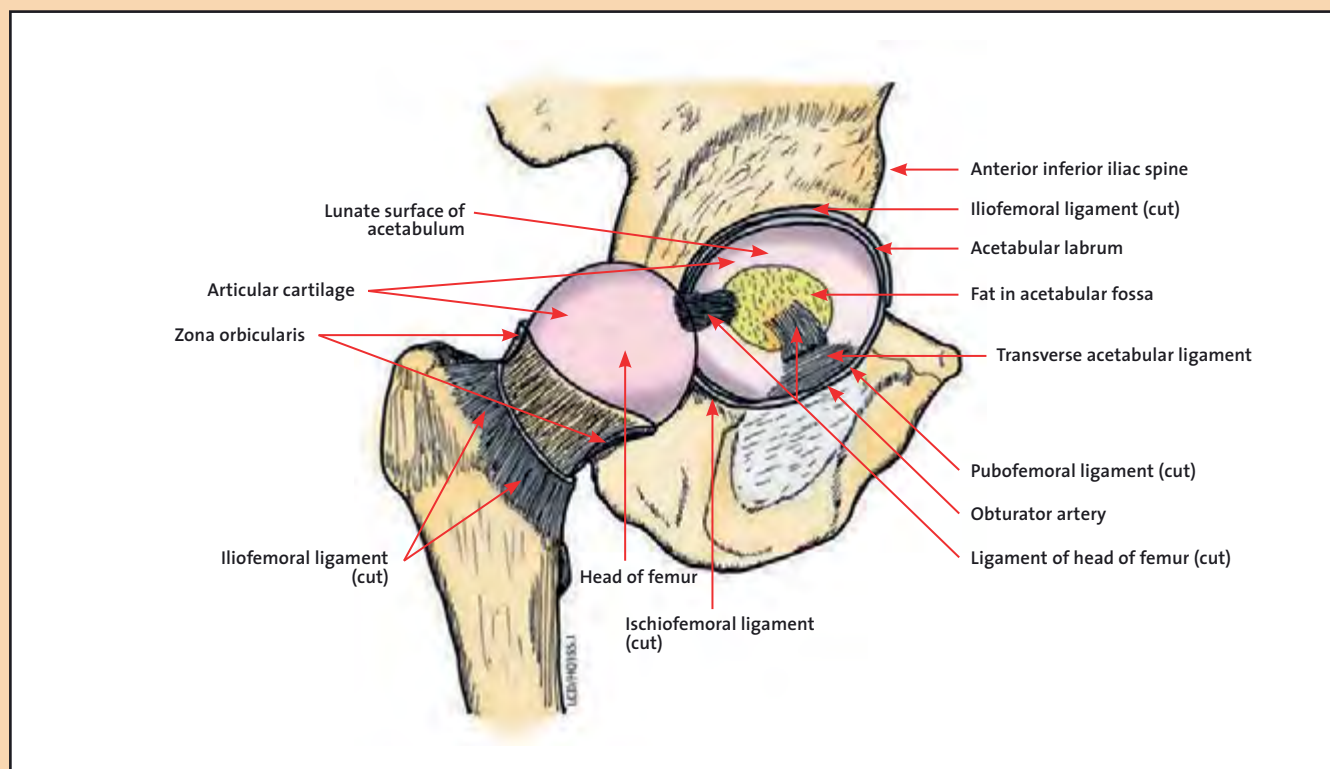
and trot. On average 70% of the ground distance traveled by the rear limb comes from the hip joint with the tibia and foot contributing 25%. Ref. Professor M Fischer.

Muscles that impact on the hip joint

The hip moves into extension by a contraction of the adductor magnus and gluteus maximus muscles. Extension of the hip joint is limited by the joint capsule and the above-mentioned ligaments, which are attached to the head of the femur and the acetabular fossa.

The load on the hip joint varies with locomotive function, Prieur recorded that at a trotting speed of 7km/h the load exerted on the hip joint corresponded to six times the dog's body weight

Thrust/energy generated by the hindquarter is transferred to the hip joint into the sacroiliac joint from where the energy is transmitted upward and forward in a force and spread relative the dog's hindquarter efficiency and its locomotive needs. This point within the hip is known as the rear pivot point and its height from the ground [and height relationship to the forward pivot point] is very important in regard to locomotive efficiency, especially during the trot. The sacroiliac joint, which is very tight fitting has very limited movement because of extremely strong attachment ligaments connecting the pelvis to the lumbar spine via the sacrum.



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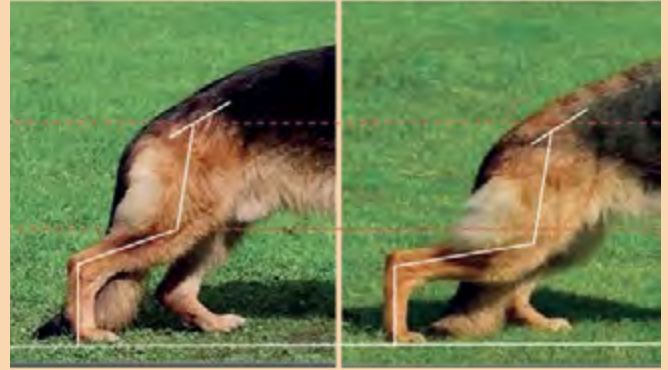
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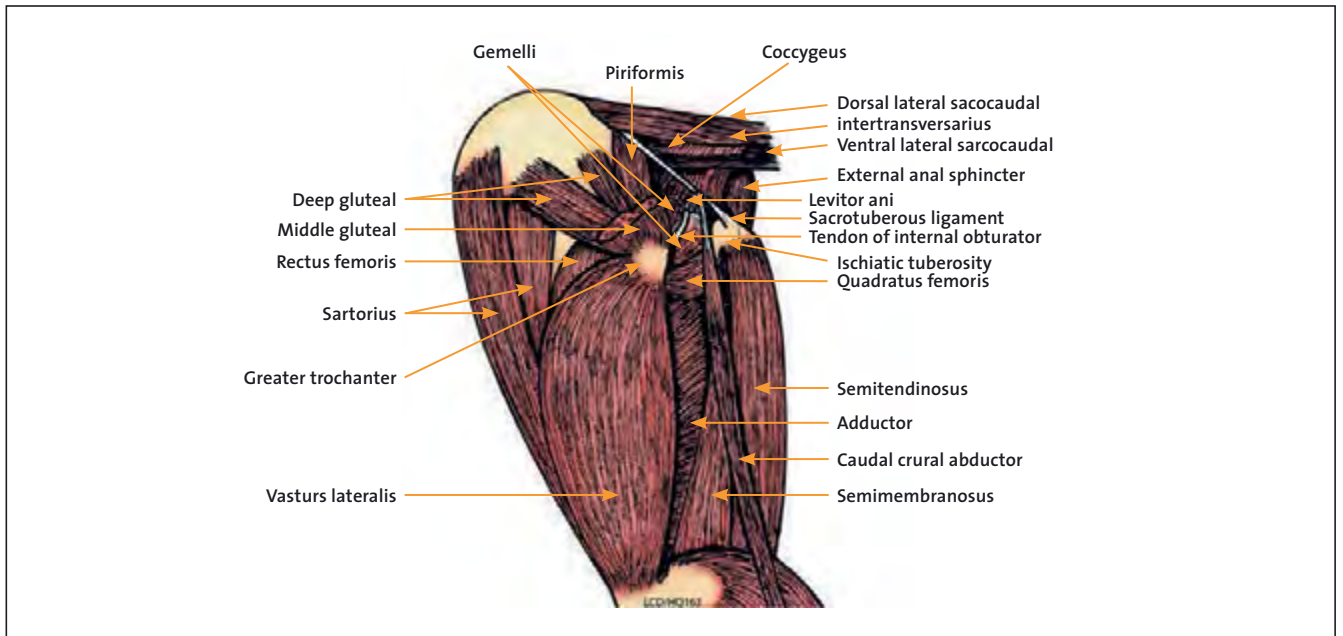
Hip height

Based on the dog being assessed with the rear extended pastern positioned vertically, a relatively straight, slightly sloping spine, well-angled pelvis and optimum length of both the femur and tibia will create a high hip and knee position. Within locomotive reason, the higher the hip position the less articulation required of the femur and tibia and therefore the less energy consumption required to travel a given distance.

The hip joint extension is 15°-20° higher in the "show" line (low pivot) than in the "working" line. [high pivot] ref; Prof. Martin S Fischer'



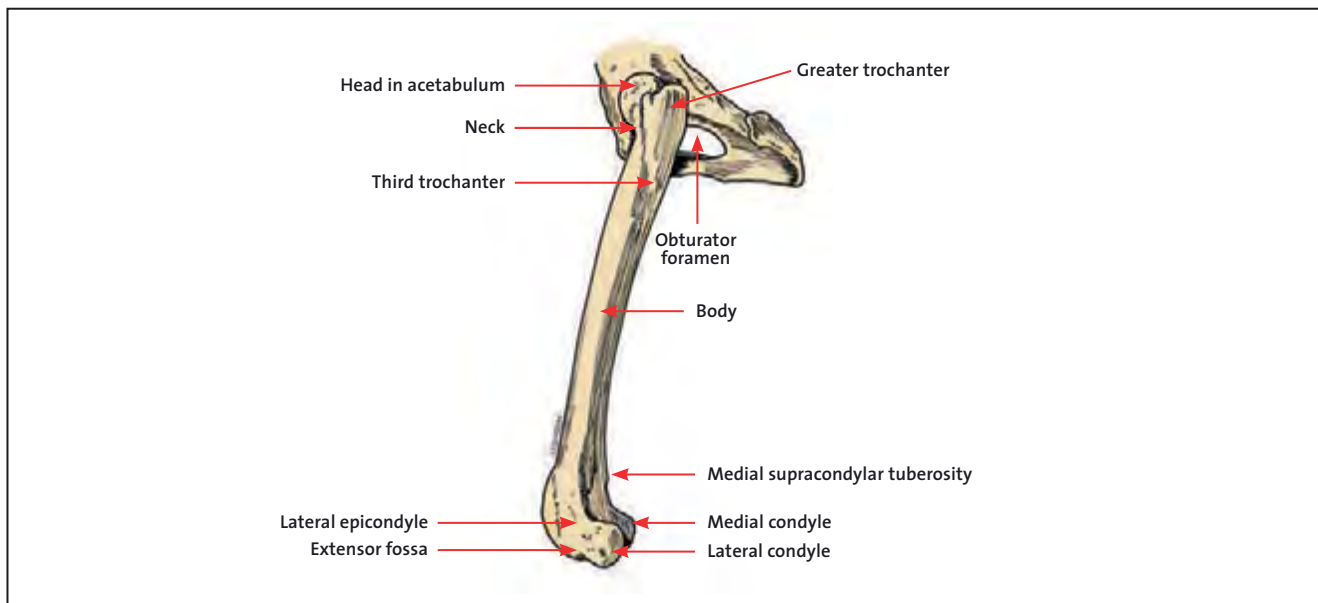
HIP POSITION High hip position vs low hip position. Normal hind angulation vs overangulation.



MUSCLES OF THE UPPER THIGH Components and functions.

Muscles of the upper thigh

Piriformis	Extends the hip joint	Quadratus femoris	Extension and lateral rotation of the hip joint
Deep gluteal	Extends the hip joint, abducts the pelvic limb, medial rotation of the hip	Adductor	Adduction [movement to the mid-line] and extension of the hip joint
Middle gluteal	Extends the hip joint	Semitendinosus	Extends the hip and tarsal joints, flexion of the stifle in the non weight bearing limb
Sartorius	Hip flexion and extends the stifle	Semimembranosus	Extends the hip when the paw is on solid ground
Rectus femoris	Flexes the thigh at the hip and extends the stifle		
Vastus lateralis	Extension of the stifle		
Gemelli	lateral rotation of the hip joint		



THE FEMUR This bone functions in supporting the hind weight of the dog and allowing motion of the hindquarter.

Femur

The femur is the second strongest bone in the dog's body. It functions in supporting the hind weight of the dog and allowing motion of the hindquarter. It articulates with the acetabulum of the pelvis forming the hip joint and with the tibia and patella forming the stifle [knee] joint.

In an optimum sense, the femur should be about 10% shorter than the tibia and equal in length to the upper arm. At rest, in an optimally angulated dog with the rear pastern vertical, the femur should be at an approximate angle of 105 degrees to the horizontal and decreases as the angulation gets deeper (increases) This angle does not vary greatly as the 'hindquarter angulation [femur/tibia angle] decreases or increases.

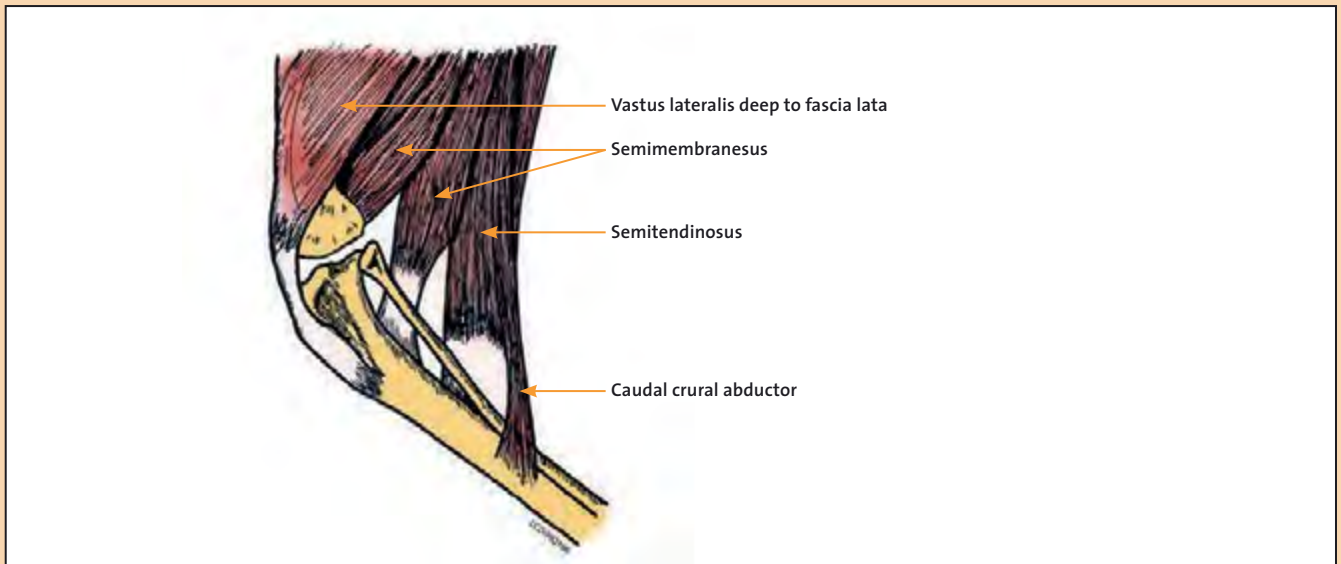
The femur needs to be long to provide a good length to the attached muscles. The shorter the femur the shorter the muscles and therefore 'potentially' the less effective the hindquarter thrust. I say 'potentially' because muscles regardless of their length or mass are reliant on being appropriately exercised and developed to attain their optimum efficiency.

Whilst a long femur is desirable it needs to be balanced in its length against other interactive locomotive bones. Mechanically speaking it is of great importance that excess length does not excessively increase hind angulation by bringing the stifle joint [knee] too close to the ground

during the fully extended back swing phase of the trot. For the above reasons the femur can be too long and it can be too short.



EXAMPLE ILLUSTRATION OF A FEMUR AND TIBIA Overlong femur and short tibia. The knee is too close to the ground.



THE STIFLE JOINT The stifle joint is a significant shock absorber that compensates for humps and bumps when the dog is travelling over uneven terrain.

Stifle joint – knee joint

The stifle joint is the most complex joint in the dog's skeleton and consists of three sub joints. The stifle joint can rotate a small degree, glide, extend and flex. All these functions are limited by ligament with the quadriceps muscle being the main extensor of the stifle joint.

The stifle joint is a significant shock absorber that compensates for humps and bumps when the dog is travelling over uneven terrain. When added to other shock absorbing joints of the ankle and elbow this joint contributes significantly to the old saying "you can place a glass of water on the German Shepherd Dog's back and whilst its trotting not spill a drop".

The greater the hind angulation the greater the gravitational weight bearing down on the stifle joint in stance and more particularly in the trot.

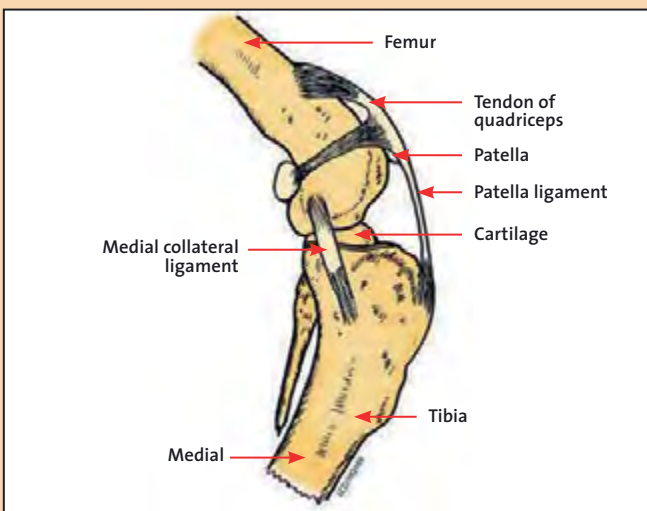
The lateral collateral ligaments prevent side-to-side displacement of the knee.

The cruciate ligaments are one of the most important stabilisers inside the stifle joint. These ligaments [often referred to as one ligament] resist over-extension and inward rotation. They are called cruciate ligaments because they "cross over" inside the knee joint. The cranial cruciate ligament serves to limit the forward movement of the tibia relative to the femur. They also serve to limit hyperextension (over straightening) of the knee and internal rotation (turning in) of the tibia. Hip Dysplasia aside, and patella subluxation [the knee cap jumping out of its groove] ligament injury, a tear to the ligament, very often caused by the knee twisting is the most common cause of hind limb lameness in the German Shepherd Dog. This is not helped by the fact that thigh muscles can't resist any sideways force or twist.

Patella

The patella (knee cap) lies in a cartilaginous groove at the end of the femur at the stifle. It is shaped like an almond and its purpose is to assist in knee extension.

The patella resides in the tendon of the quadriceps muscle group which attaches to the tibia. The 'patellar ligament' plays an important role in the function of the knee joint and the lower limb as a whole. The patella provides a greater bearing surface for the tendon that serves to alter the

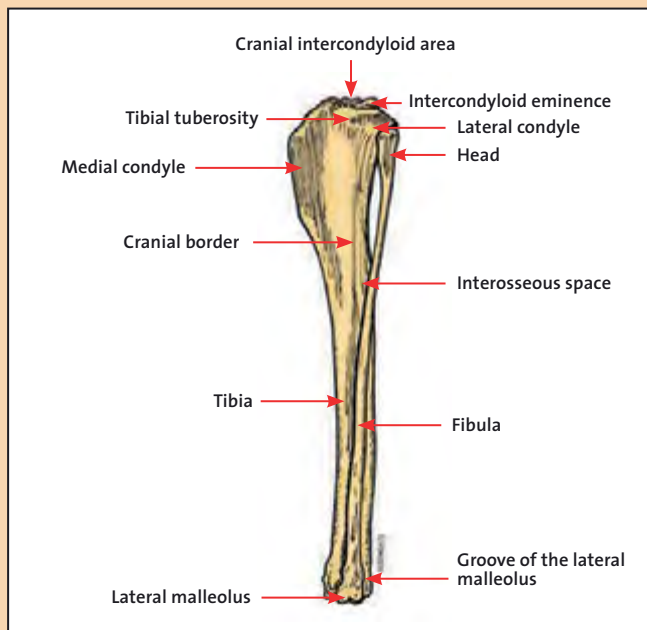


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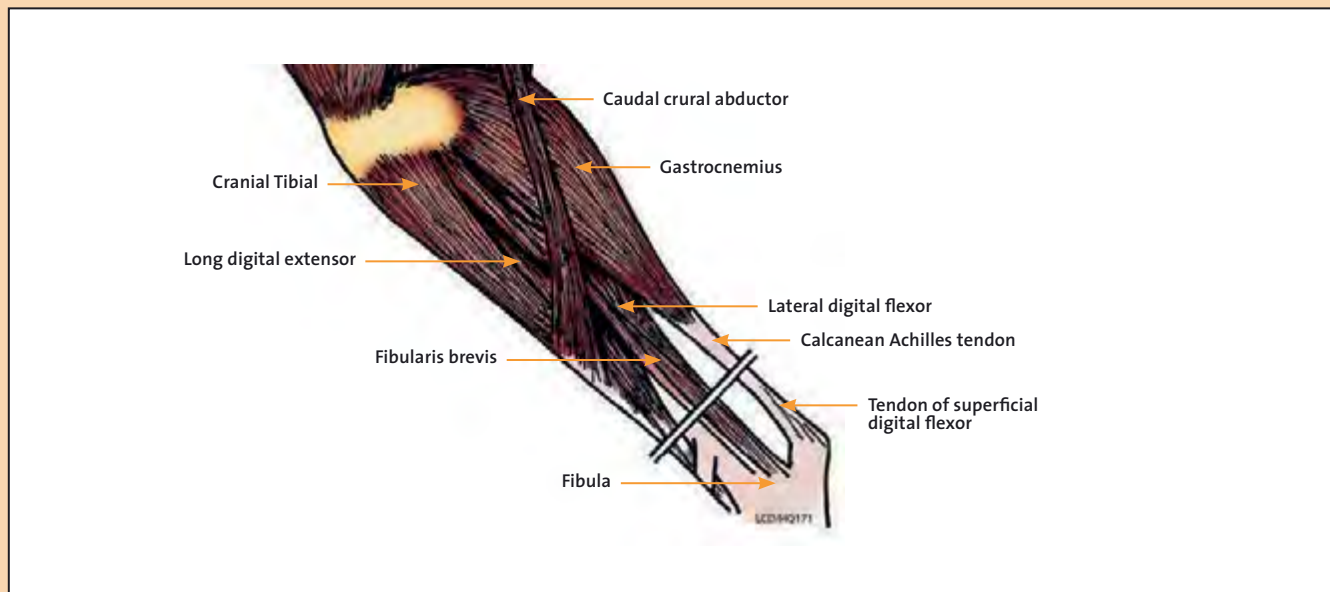
direction of pull of the tendon of the quadriceps. Contraction of the quadriceps femoris muscle group pulls the patella toward the thigh through the quadriceps tendon thereby extending the stifle. The patella, in turn, pulls on the tibia through the patellar ligament to extend the leg at the knee. This action is important for walking and running, but it is especially important to the dog when it is leaping upward or jumping hurdles and the like.

The tibia

The tibia is the larger and stronger of the two bones in the hindquarter. It forms the stifle joint with the femur and the hock joint with the fibula and tarsus. Many powerful muscles that move the rear pastern and lower leg are anchored to the tibia. Optimally speaking the tibia should be about 10% longer than the femur and never shorter than equal in length to it.



THE TIBIA Many powerful muscles that move the rear pastern and lower leg are anchored to the tibia.



LOWER THIGH MUSCLES Overview of the different components of a dog's lower thigh muscles.

Lower thigh muscles

Gastrocnemius The primary muscle that extends the hock joint

Lateral digital flexor Extends the digits

Cranial tibial Flexes the tarsus and rotates the paw in lateral supination

Long digital extensor Extends the digits and flexes the tarsus

Superficial digital flexor Is mainly an antigravity, weight-support muscle. Because its tendon attaches to the tuber calcanei, the muscle cannot flex digits independently of extending the hock.

Calcanean tendon Connects the Gastrocnemius muscles to the calcaneus

Fibularis brevis Flexes the tarsal [hock] joint

Caudal crural abductor The abductor muscles stabilise the pelvis to allow the opposite leg to lift during the swing phase. Weak abductor muscles will cause the hip to drop towards the side of the leg swinging forward.

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OVERANGULATION – EXAGGERATION

Pictured - extreme overangulation of the hindquarter and it's associated low hip and knee position - created by a downward bending curvature (spinal kyphosis) to the lumbar spine and an overlong tibia. This represents a transition in breed type as opposed to breed style. When a characteristic including 'breed type' is allowed to change within the general population, it is general irreversible.

When the tibia is too long, the hip and stifle joints are lowered and the rear pastern is extended too far rearward from the hip and stifle joints. In the walk, and more so in the trot, this excessive extension of the hock joint from the stifle and hip is manifested in the upper most section of the rear pastern being rotated inward and its attached ligaments being twisted to accommodate that rotation.

Overangulation - the impact on puppies

The negative impact of a too long lower leg (tibia) starts once a puppy commences walking. Relative to degree, it is not unreasonable to assume the misaligned growth process that takes place in puppies with a too long tibia is very likely accelerated in puppies that are exposed to lengthy bouts of double handler induced hard pulling against the lead show training.

When a puppy has a too long tibia, as it brings its rearmost leg forward, it twists its lower leg so that the hocks don't hit each other as they pass. After they pass, the fully extended rear pastern [hock] is rotated inward and by the force of gravity/load downward. As the extended hock swings forward the reverse applies and the hock rotates in the opposite/vertical direction. This is what gives the 'wobly hocks' appearance. Stress on growing bones and soft tissue, whether double handling induced or otherwise encouraged, in all likelihood results in the development of a permanent abnormal hindquarter gait.

In a developing puppy where the tibia is too long, the tibia and its attached ligaments pull to the outside - left side left hock and right side right hock as the dog pushes its body forward. As developmental ossification (the process of creating bone i.e. transforming cartilage and fibrous tissue into bone) of the tibia continues, the misalignment and stretching of the ligaments in all probability becomes permanent and is irreversible. Based on discussions I have



OVERANGULATION 1 Extreme overangulation of the hindquarter and it's associated low hip and knee position.



OVERANGULATION 2 When the tibia is too long, the hip and stifle joints are lowered and the rear pastern is extended too far rearward from the hip and stifle joints.

had with several veterinarians it is possible that there is even some degree of developmental thickening of the tibia in the area of the twisting! This process is why one can observe that in puppies where the tibia is too long and the hocks are very unstable the hock instability becomes less at maturity, leading to the common remark one now hears, 'he/she will grow out of it'. What is not considered in such statements is how and why?

Fibula

The fibula is a non-supporting long thin bone that runs parallel to the tibia. It does not articulate with the femur at the stifle joint. Its purpose is to provide attachment for muscles and tendons of the lower thigh. It plays a significant role in stabilising the hock joint and supporting the muscles and tendons of the lower thigh.

Calcaneal

The heel in humans, the calcaneal process is the uppermost extension of the hock joint and serves as the lower anchor point for the calcaneal tendon, which is generally referred to as the Achilles tendon. Inserted into a roughened area on its superior side, the calcaneal tendon is actually three tendons that are attached to the biceps femoris, gracilis, and semitendinosus muscles. The calcaneal tendon is responsible for straightening and opening out the rear pastern thereby initiating the first stage of forward motion and recovers 97% of its elastic energy.

Hock joint

The hock joint is the joint between the tarsal bones and the tibia and fibula.

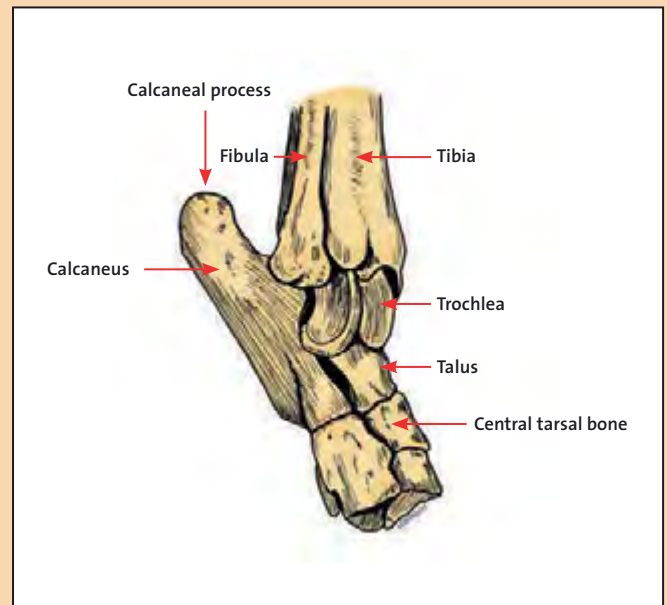
Whilst there are many bones within the hock joint, the tibia and fibula articulate directly with the talus that is mortised into the calcaneus to form a very stable joint. The hock joint can be imagined as the dog's ankle.

Loose hocks

Ligaments on the inner and outer part of the hock joint hold the joints bones together. The side of the hock joint also has two ligaments, making a total of four main ligaments that hold the hock together. Even in extreme overangulation these tendons are strong enough to maintain the hock joints integrity - the instability one sees in the hocks of an overangulated dog when it is viewed from behind is lateral sway, foot to calcaneus and relative to a dog's stage of development the further the hock gets from the stifle joint and the closer the knee is to the ground in stance the greater the potential for lateral sway/instability of the hocks.



CALCANEAL 1 The calcaneal process (also see illustration, right) is the uppermost extension of the hock joint and serves as the lower anchor point for the calcaneal tendon.



CALCANEAL 2 In an over-angulated dog, lateral sway from foot to calcaneus is a sign for instability in the hock joints.

Rear pastern – metatarsus

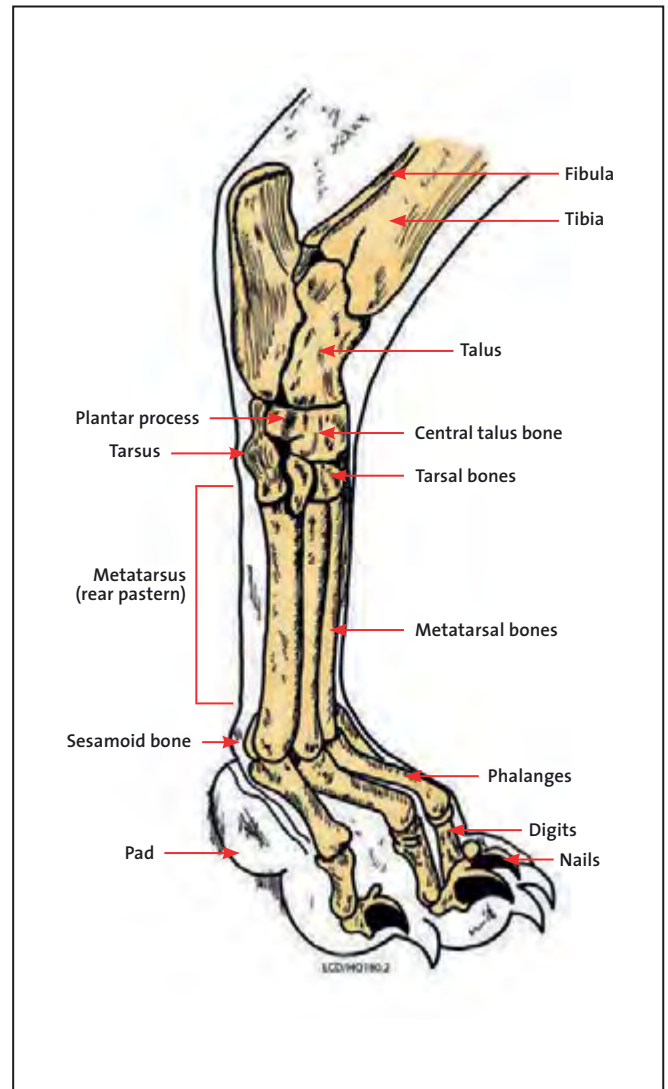
Rear pastern - [erroneously and nearly always referred to as 'the hock/s', and in that general context includes the tarsus] is the section that goes from the hock joint, the last of the metatarsal bones to the hind paw and consists of four metatarsal bones. It should be referred to as the rear pastern but that is not about to change anytime soon. Viewed from behind in both stance and gait the rear pasterns should be both vertical and stable.

Cow hocks

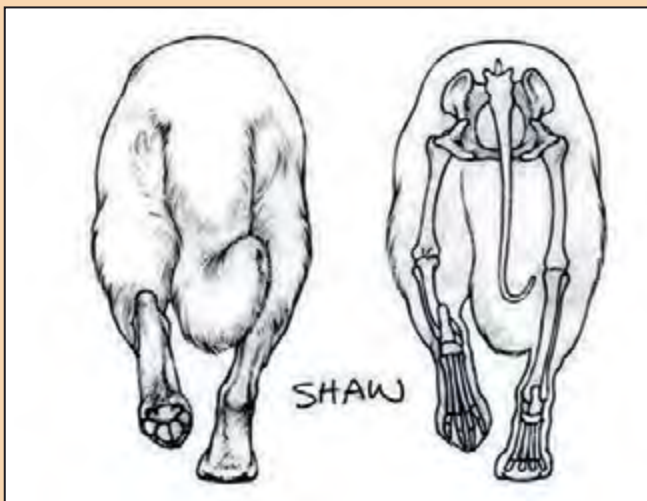
In the German Shepherd Show Dog generally associated with an overlong femur and or tibia. Cow hocks can also be caused by a crooked hock joint or a turn outward at the hip joint which turns the stifle joint outward and the hock inward.

In the case of 'slight cow hocks' the impact it has on locomotive efficiency is open to argument. It can be reasonably argued that it is more to do with aesthetics than locomotive efficiency. In some working dog breeds for example, a 'slight' cow hock position is considered to be beneficial to the dog during very fast and rapid lying down and standing up tending phases.

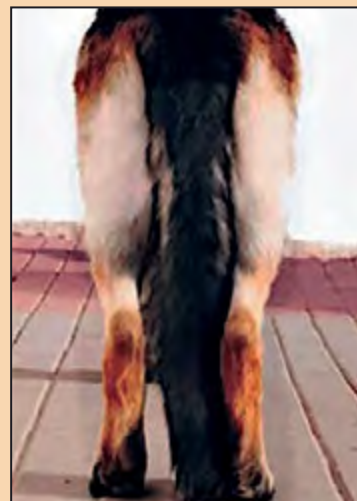
Two dogs can be seen to have the same degree of cow hocks as viewed from the rear in the standing position. One dog has moderate hind angulation and the other is over angulated. The impediment to locomotion and endurance in the moderately angulated dog will be far less than the overangulated dog and if one looks closely at the hocks (rear pasterns) this will be seen as the dog walks and trots.



REAR PASTERNS Viewed from behind in both stance and gait the rear pasterns should be both vertical and stable.



HOCK 1 Correct hocks in movement.



HOCK 2 Correct hocks in stance.

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Rear Pastern

The function and form of the rear pastern and hock joint is too often relegated to a level of importance that is below aesthetic issues such as eye colour, and it shouldn't. Forward locomotion starts with the 'hocks'. Their length, strength and stability directly affect rear hand thrust, overall speed attainment and the powers of endurance.

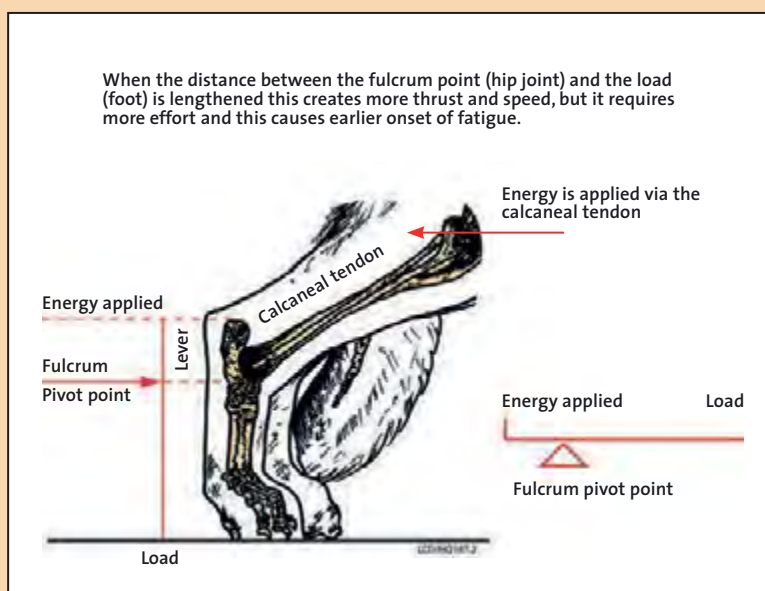
The rear pastern, essentially a lever should not come in contact with the ground during its forward reaching phase. It is not designed to absorb the shock imposed on ground contact, this is the function of the pads of the foot. Rear pastern ground contact in the trot is related to overangulation of the hindquarter. The degree of ground contact is in proportion to the degree of overangulation but impacted by the dogs offset footfall strategy and this relates to the forehands construction

In practical terms the rear pasterns are subject to the same physics as levers and it is simply a matter of applying that law of physics to the hocks to understand how they function. In a nutshell, the lever allows a given effort to move a load farther and faster, than it otherwise could. The rear pastern is a first class lever system.

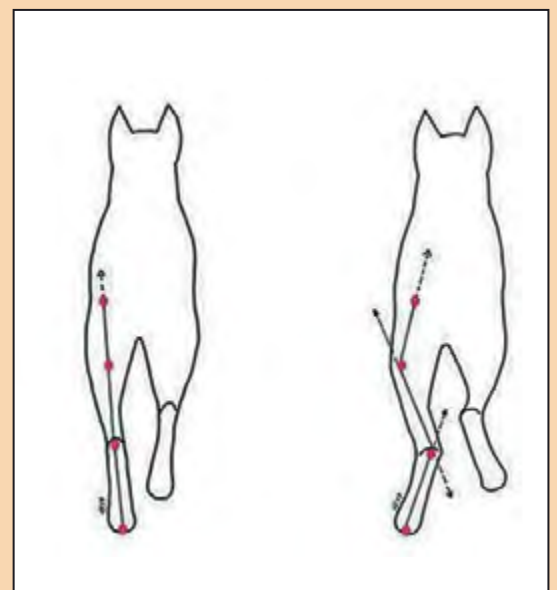
The optimum objective in regard to the rear pasterns impact on movement is when all opposing forces, being the toes of the metatarsus and the tip of the calcaneus divided by the point of the fulcrum, achieve a balance between the needs of thrust and speed best suited to a trotting, long distance, endurance dog.

The 'hocks' are activated by the gastrocnemius muscle [calf muscle], a large muscle that is attached to the femur and runs down the back of the tibia. The end of this muscle is attached to the relatively long calcaneal tendon [Achilles tendon], which in turn connects to the top of the calcaneus, the quite long projecting bone extending from the hock joint.

The goal in lever design is to have greater distance between the fulcrum and the weight but this has a catch. The longer the section of the hock between the connection point of the calcaneal tendon and the pivot point in the hock, the better. Archimedes Principle of the Lever - 'the longer the arm of the lever to which force is applied the less the force needs to be'. In the dog, the arm of the lever is the distance between the tip of the calcaneus and the pivot point on the hock. When you move the load [toes of the hock] further away from the fulcrum [connection point of tibia to the hock] the arc travel of the hocks is increased and whilst this has the benefit of creating much greater thrust and therefore increased speed. The catch? It is at the price of consuming more energy and inducing earlier fatigue.



REAR PASTEREN The rear pasterns are subject to the same physics as levers and simply applying the law of physics helps us understand how they function.



DIRECTION OF ENERGY Straight firm hocks vs cow-hock unstable hocks.

Sickle hock

This term is often misunderstood, and that is because it is not easy to articulate what it means in a few sentences.

A sickle hock is generally associated with the tibia being too long. I say generally, because it can be caused by an over long femur. A sickle hock is seen when the rear pastern is at an obtuse angle when the dog has intuitively placed its near side rear foot at its point of balanced weight distribution. When the rear pastern is placed vertical by the handler on such dogs, after a time the dog will inevitably pull its extended rear foot forward to position it closer to the hip line.

In sickle hocked dogs the tendency is for the rear pastern not to open out to its optimum opening angle on the rear-

ward cycle, it will stop prematurely and the opposite forward placed rear pastern will make contact with the ground.

In extremely overangulated dogs the rear pastern will stop at the vertical and even before the vertical. This causes the dog's rear toes to travel too close to the ground creating a slight shuffling movement and even scraping the tips off the dog's nails.

Sickle hocked dogs in a degree relative to the hock angle will not fully open the rear pastern on the rearward extension.

In the context of this matter, how a dog stands is how it moves!



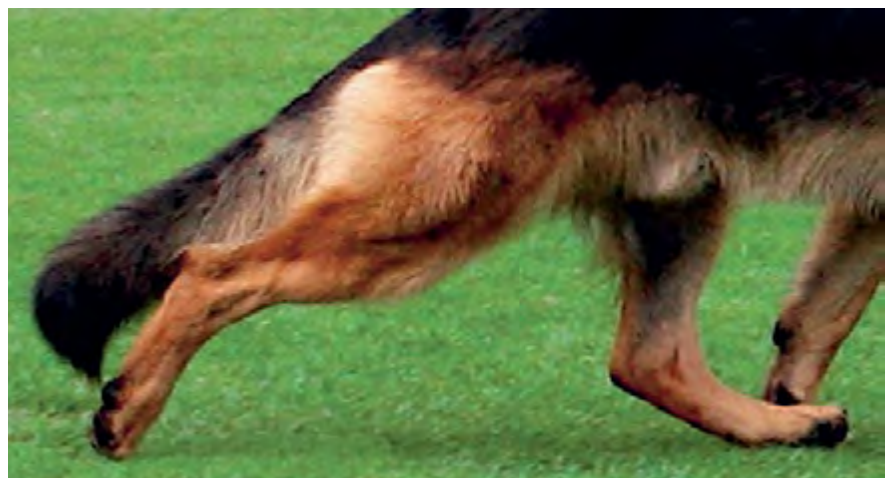
HINDQUARTER 1 Sickle hock position in stance – overangulation.



HINDQUARTER 2 Sickle hock position in movement – far side rear pastern making contact with the ground and extended rear pastern too far back and still vertical.



HINDQUARTER 3 Correct hind angulation in stance.



HINDQUARTER 4 Correct hock position in movement – correct hindquarter angulation: The rear pastern does not come in contact with the ground only the rear foot and extended pastern at ideal angle at full extension in movement – far side rear pastern making contact with the ground and extended rear pastern too far back and still vertical.

In order to best bear the weight of its hindquarters, an above medium sized adult male dog with well constructed hindquarters will intuitively stand with its most rearward extended foot placed about 250mm behind its hip joint - as seen above. In that position the rear pastern will be vertical and for the dog this is a well-balanced and therefore comfortable hind hand load bearing position. Think of the bones of the hindquarter [femur/tibia/rear pastern/foot] as scaffolding supporting the pelvis and in that context visualise in your minds eye pressing down hard on the hip with your hand. As you press down, in effect accentuating the downward force of gravity, visualise that pressure being transferred on down to the dog's knee and as you do this picture where you might place your rearward extended foot if you were the dog and on doing so try to visualise how laterally stable you feel in that position?



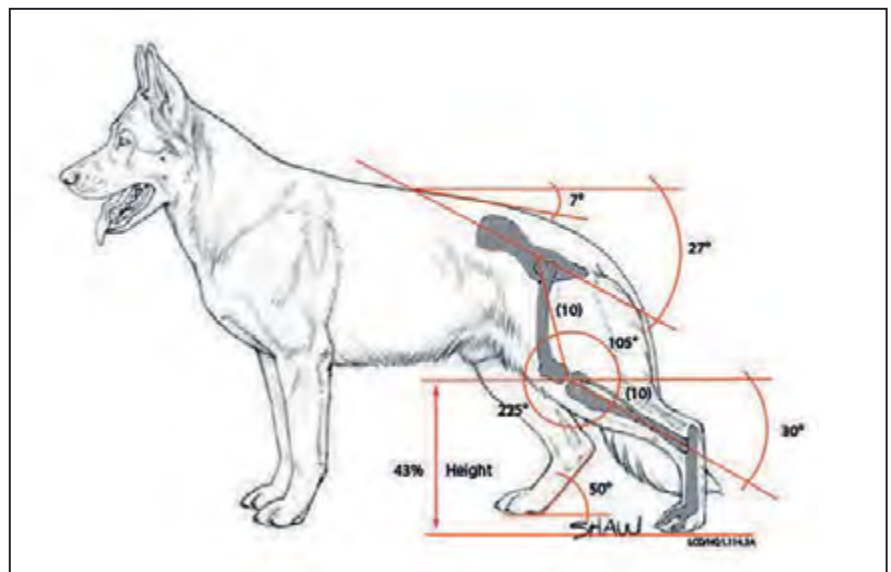
OVERANGULATION 1 Extreme sickle hock in movement – note the proximity of the hip and knee to the ground and instability/pronation of the far side foot.

To attain a comfortable weight bearing standing balance, dogs with an overlong tibia intuitively stand with the same rearward extended foot positioned as close as they can to that same relative hip to foot position. Because of the excessive tibia length the 'internal angle' of both the femur and tibia will decrease. This internal angle decrease thus increases the 'external angle' of the femur and tibia [overangulation] and the rear extended pastern will be placed at an obtuse angle to the ground. The longer the tibia, the less the internal femur angle and the closer to the ground the stifle joint, for a number of technical reasons that I won't go into here, the less close the foot will be placed by the dog to that approximate 250mm mark, i.e. it will be incrementally more rearward.

Well proportioned and balanced - Proportions that are pleasing to the eye - Efficient trotting dog construction with balanced and effective stride excursion distance - Increase in hind angulation lowers the hip thereby increasing the slope to the topline - Ideal croup angle - Very good hip height - Ideal and balanced length of femur and tibia 10/10 - Very good tibia angle of 30 degrees and height of 43% - Very good tail length - Broad thighs - Powerful hind thrust - Only the foot of the rear pastern makes contact with the ground when trotting - Firm hocks - Steps correct behind - Stable hindquarters - Very good powers of endurance



OVERANGULATION 2 Overangulation – unstable rear pasterns and crossing over.



HINDQUARTERS Desired – normal – hindquarter angulation.



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Over reaching

In German Shepherd Dogs with their 'full angulation' which, relative to the degree of angulation creates exceptional stride excursion distances, when viewed from the side during the trot can be seen to have their fore feet cross over their rear feet or more precisely placing their rear feet further ahead of where their front feet have been. This is called 'over reach'. The greater the stride excursion distance and the faster the dog gaits the greater the relative stride excursion distance will be. As the rear foot reaches forward it steps around the oncoming front foot allowing the front foot to continue its full rearward swing unencumbered.

Over reaching, as implied by the word, is a negative term in many breeds of dogs. In the German Shepherd Dog it is a requirement of the standard and therefore a desired characteristic. Relatively deep fore and hind angulations provides a very long stride and this very long stride creates the characteristic over reach seen in the German Shepherd Dog and other "angulated" breeds of dog.

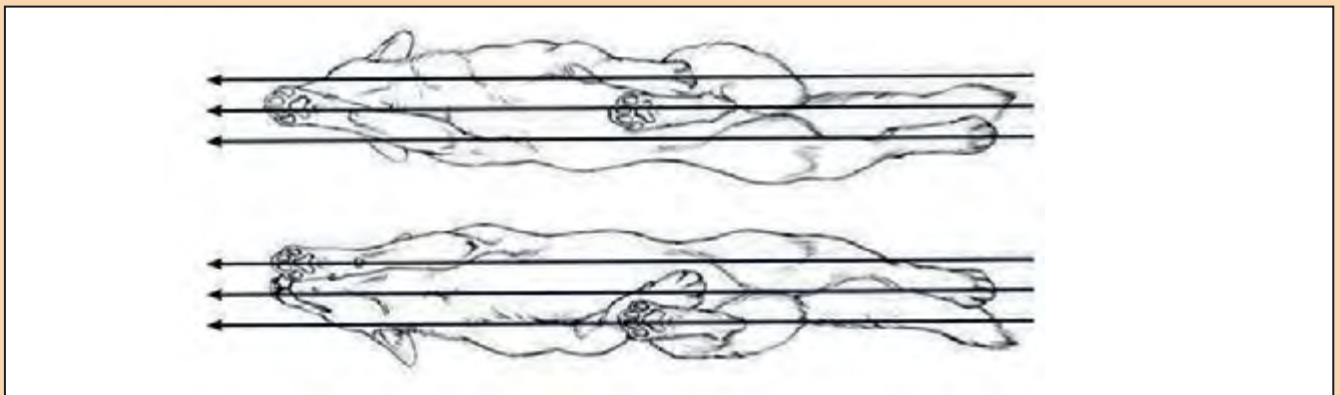
It is an interesting point however when you are talking about enduring long distance trotters. That is, in the context of 'total energy consumption', in the context of effort, over a distance of say 10 kilometers a high number of moderate length strides with no over reach consumes less energy than a lower number of long strides with over reach, therefore which of the two is better in the context of effi-

ciency? This question is at the very core of the standard in the context of the German Shepherd Dogs movement and Captain von Stephanitz believed the latter, he believed the longer the stride the better and that opinion dictated the GSD standard in regard to its described angulations and its subsequent over reaching trotting gait.

In addition to the over reach in order that the dog can avoid the rear lower leg and paw hitting the fore leg and paw as they pass each other the dog will bring its rear leg either on the inside [most of the time] or on the outside of the passing leg.

Very few breeds of dogs including the greatest long distance trotter of them all the Grey Wolf over reach in any significant way when they trot, but this is a characteristic of the German Shepherd Dog that is enshrined in its standard and it plays a 'very significant' part in the judging at specialist event dog shows and at times arguably too much.

The point of my raising this is certainly not to argue with the standard, the standard is the standard. I raise the issue because 'stride length v's energy consumption' is very relevant to dogs that are over angulated and consequently have excessive over reach. The relevance? Whilst it may not look as eye catching in its theatre, for an endurance trotting dog, under angulation is far more energy efficient and therefore far more sustainable than over angulation and should be judged as such.



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Tail

The standard states - The tail extends at least to the hock but not beyond the middle of the hind pastern and carried hanging downward in a gentle curve.

The standard could not be clearer, yet in today's show ring one would struggle to find a tail that did not touch or run along the ground and never a comment made in critiques!

Putting it all together

The hindquarter contributes approximately 75% of thrust/energy toward forward locomotion during a medium speed trot, the natural speed for the German Shepherd Dog.

A percentage shift in thrust/energy occurs during galloping as the back muscles, which technically reside mid fore/rear point significantly increases their contribution to forward propulsion. A percentage shift also occurs with regard to the fore hand during uphill locomotion.

Optimum efficiency of the hindquarters is only attained when all its parts are in balance and harmony, not just within the hindquarter but the whole dog.

A key trait of the German Shepherd Dog is its trotting ability, and during the trot for it to cover the maximum amount of ground with the least amount of energy consumption, or if you like, the least amount of 'effort'. In the trot the construction of the forehand impacts on the hind hand and vice versa. Hence, the reference to the need for balance of all parts. In the trot when the bones in the hindquarter that play a part in effecting the rear stride distance deliver their optimum excursion distance, the bones in the forehand that play a part in effecting the forehand's ground excursion distance should equal that of the rear excursion distance. If it does not, it will create a 'footfall timing' problem. This is often referred to as a 'hackney - as in hackney horse' forehand action, and whilst this is a good visual description, a German Shepherd Dog cannot replicate the hackney action of a horse because the bones in the forelegs of the hackney horse are proportionately very different to those in the German Shepherd Dog.

In the trot the optimum excursion distance equates to a bit less than the dog's withers height [this is subject to trotting phase and speed] and notwithstanding dogs with a flat pelvis, 'the further back the rear extended foot travels and opens, the better for power and particularly endurance'.

Having covered the hindquarters individual component parts in detail, it is now a matter of discussing them from the point of view of their interaction and the optimum relationships that should exist between those parts particularly during the trot.

Hindquarter thrust in the walk and trot is generated primarily in the muscles of the upper thigh, or more precisely in the muscle cells of those muscles. In the gallop the muscles of the back contribute significantly to speed and stride length.

Muscles are attached to the bones by tendons, bones are attached to bones and joints to joints by ligaments.

Biceps are the agonist and triceps the antagonist

Bones act as a speed multiplier through the principle of levers. The longer the bone, the greater the multiplier. If this principle of leverage did not apply a dog would not have anything like the speed it has.

Because muscles can only pull, back and forth motion requires a minimum of two muscles. One muscle pulls the bone forward and the other pulls it backward - antagonist and extensor. As one muscle contracts the other relaxes.

The force a muscle generates is dependent on its length and shortening velocity, with the maximum force being generated when the muscles is contracting through its resting length.

Activation of the muscle cells which creates a pull on the associated tendon that in turn moves the attached bone creating the forward movement is controlled via commands from the motor cortex of the dog's brain transmitted through the spinal chord.

A signal from the dog's brain, the cerebellum, to a specific muscle in the hindquarter causes that muscle to contract and via its tendon pull on a specific bone. When the rear foot pushes against the ground to initiate forward movement that muscle which is attached to the femur is the gastrocnemius muscle and its very long calcaneal tendon [Achilles tendon] which is attached to the calcaneus - top of the hock.

This muscle's retracting force on the relevant bone pushes the dog's centre of gravity forward. There is a synchronising that takes place in the dog's brain that ensures the co-ordination of the rear and fore feet in whatever foot fall sequence. The dog selects the footfall timing.

In conjunction with the gastrocnemius muscle, the major muscles that push the rear legs backwards and thereby moving the dog forward are - the biceps femoris which is attached to the femur, the gluteal muscles, the semimembranosus and the adductor magnus.

Forward motion can only happen when the dog's rear foot is directly under > behind the hip joint. When the dog exerts force onto the ground with its rear foot (action force) the ground will exert an equal and opposite force on the dog (reaction force) pushing the dog forward.

When the rear foot is in its swing phase, that is, when the adductor muscle has pulled it forward to the midline of the body, when that rear foot has landed on the ground and is now moving in the rearward direction, only when that foot is a little forward of the hip joint does forward thrust commence propelling the dog forward again. The thrust ends when the foot reaches full extension and then the opposite foot, that has now made contact with the ground midway under the body, takes over and continues the cycle.

The fore limbs are raised and extended forward to 'catch' the forward repositioning of the centre of gravity that has been generated by the hindquarters forward thrust.

Like an elastic band or rubber ball the muscular tendon system used to stop rearward motion stores part of the energy created as the muscles and tendons stretch and use it to start motion in the opposite direction. The combined recycled energy in one complete rearward leg cycle in the trot is approximately 60%.

The greatest amount of thrust, which is Newtons/lbs/kgs of pressure delivered to the ground by the rear paw is achieved approximately two-thirds the way through the rear foot swing cycle. In a correctly angulated dog with good pelvis angle and hip/knee height, it is the point when the extended rear pastern is just past the vertical. This is related to the primary upper hindquarter muscles and their force : length relationship, i.e. muscles generate the greatest force when at their resting length and the least amount of force when shortened or stretched relative to the resting length. 'Resting length' is the length at which the muscle creates the greatest amount of force.

When walking and gaiting, all energy/thrust generated from a rear limb ends at the point when the foot pad attains its maximum rearward extension, at the point immediately prior to the foot leaving the ground to commence its forward reaching cycle. At that stage of the cycle the opposite foot takes over to generate the thrust and so it goes on repeating that sequence.

What is happening in regard to generation of propulsive force by the feet [rear and fore] once they attain their full rearward extension and sweep forward? Nothing - until they make contact with the ground, and when the rear feet [and forefeet] do strike the ground on the fore swing phase it creates a braking action just as it does in humans. In respect to the full forward and rearward swing phase the only time force is generated is when the rear foot is directly under and behind the hip. You can appreci-

ate braking when you are running. As soon as your forward extended foot hits the ground it has a braking action, if this did not happen you would never stop moving forward.

The transfer of energy from the hindquarter initiated at the extending [pushing] rear foot, is transmitted just like water under pressure travelling through a pipe. It travels from its initiating source the foot, through the hock joint, tibia, femur, hip, sacroiliac joint and into the spine at the L7. Energy that is not consumed for rear hand lift is transmitted through the dog's spine and taken up at a spot within the withers.

An under angulated or overangulated hindquarter with an ideal forehand will create an imbalance and the reverse applies, i.e. having an ideal hindquarter but deficient forehand. The dog will react in several ways; it will reduce its hind drive to match the forehand by stopping its rearward foot swing prematurely, often at or close to the vertical position, lift its rearward extended hock very high, or deliver the full drive and compensate by lifting its forelegs at the elbow in a 'hackney' action.

Because maximum thrust is achieved when the primary hindquarter muscles are contracting through it's mid resting length, premature stopping or high lifting of the rear foot impedes the attainment of the upper thigh muscles potential optimum thrust.

Finally - a dog may have the optimum hindquarter but without an inherent working dog attitude, a willingness and strong desire to run underscored with well developed muscles it means nothing.

USCA NATIONAL WINNERS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Dog</u>	<u>Total Score</u>	<u>Handler</u>
2018	Vegas von der Burg Hinte	293 V	Erin O'Shea
2017	Dexter vom Eisernen Kreuz	282 SG	Sean O'Kane
2016	Fyfte von der Staatsmacht	284 SG	Beth Bradley
2015	Iron von den Wolfen	291 V	Debra Zappia
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2013	Greg vom Maulachtal	296 V	Wallace Payne
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2008	Chuck vom Dorneburger Bach	287 V	Daniel Cox
2007	Buddy vom Burg Kurzwallen	281 SG	Eric Eisenberg
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RH K9 Rangers Countdown to 2019

By Steff Dunion, RH K9 Rangers President/Training Director

The clock was very much ticking away the hours for the new IPO-R rules to be implemented for 2019. And so nerves began to get the better of our teams trying to get titled under the old 2012 rules. As the structure of some exercises as well as requirements were about to change, they felt it would be wise to get in under the old concept.

Therefore it was decided to pull off another trial for 2018 and Nov 17-18 became the target date. Of course, we all worried it might snow which would cause issues especially for the dogs doing the dexterity portion, but to our surprise or better said dismay, it poured the Thursday before, which left our fields a total muddy mess. But we prevailed.

As usual our die-hard members and even some new faces worked diligently and it turned out to be a very special weekend with almost all dogs passing on some very high levels. We had Melissa with her partner, Kludde, accomplishing their RH2-B-F under the Bringsel concept, Linda with Luther finishing the RH2-A-FL with the free indication/recall refund and Alan with his best friend, Odiy, getting their RH1-FL showing off her stellar bark alert.



Tracking...

Craig Groh, one of our very own USCA judges, showed his Jonny, a very well-tempered dog in RH2 A-F with bark alert. Jonny really had to prove his worth on that unbelievably hard track but he pulled it off in the spirit of teamwork! I would personally like to thank him for his support.

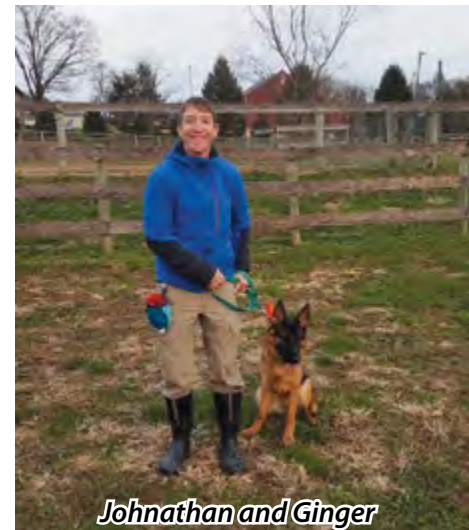
Our guest from Maryland, Dante with Colt, got their BH. Even though Dante was quite nervous, his dog helped him get through it. It is amazing at how these animals sense what we are feeling. Colt is so balanced and I can see them moving forward in the RH arena. Nick with Thor worked hard at the TR1. Nick is a total rookie, never showed a dog before and proved what an excellent student he is. His skill at handling his new friend was exceptional and he will be a very good handler and member for years to come. Thor will show him the way.

I am sure you all have grown weary of hearing what I have to report, so I decided to have our newly titled dog teams speak

for themselves. Here now in their own words, their experiences with the RH program thus far:

Melissa's experience with RH K9 Rangers

I am so appreciative of having a great club with both terrific obedience-dexterity and scent work space. Supportive people and a beautifully outfitted setting make training fun and successful. My travel time to the club is about five hours so I only make it out once a month. I take this opportunity to test the training I've been doing closer to home. I always get helpful feedback and encouragement.



Johnathan and Ginger



Melissa and Kludde working the unstable plank

At the second RH K9 Ranger trial (November 2018) my Dutchie and I passed the RH2B – tracking test. Training for this test was logistically challenging. Aging a track for three hours while being employed full time and having little access to private land did require some careful planning but it paid off. At the trial the last turn, an acute one going from a damp woody grassy ground cover to cut corn field in high wind, was a challenge for the dog and made for a dramatic moment. He successfully found and indicated the victim by bringsel.

The RH K9 Rangers group has dogs doing all different alerts – barking, bringsel, and find-refind. When we help each other with the dogs it is illustrative to see the dogs each working in specialized ways.

The group assists each other on the obedience-dexterity work as well. My Dutchie prefers “doing” to “waiting” so the majority of my time on the field was working his down stay as the other dog worked. We also worked components of the other exercises like rewarding him for remaining with the carry person, for halting at the start of the unstable plank, and for waiting at the directional table middle pin for my next cue. Yes, most of his rewards came only from “waiting”. Club members were always willing to work the carry, fire the gun, be part of a heeling group, and offer encouragement.

My Dutchie and I are starting to train rubble search work and I am looking forward to learning more from RH K9 Rangers by working my own dog and assisting the other club dogs all continue to develop.

Linda & Luther’s partnership

A new dog. A blank slate. Where do we go from here?

A new challenge: IPO.

Obedience: we got this...tracking, we can do this... protection, not so sure about this...

Moving forward, we trained each week in obedience, tracking and protection. Obedience, I enjoyed, the dog, not so much. Tracking, we both enjoyed. Protection, the dog enjoyed immensely, me, not so much. This was a dilemma. Our experience in IPO seemed about to come to a halt.

Keeping our heads up and moving forward, we trained and earned our BH. Such a motivated and confident dog. A working bond now forged. Partners on this IPO journey. But as much as the dog anticipated & enjoyed protection, I was still uncomfortable with protection work. What path now?

Along came IPO RH and K9 Rangers. A bright new beginning with a group of highly motivated members. We were green. RH was as foreign to us as snow is to Africa. Again, three components: Obedience, Dexterity & Search.

Obedience, I still enjoyed more than the dog, Dexterity, a challenge we both took on happily, The Search, we found our niche!

RH K9 Rangers, all working together and helping both canine and handler move forward positively. Sharing strengths and weaknesses, determined to see each other succeed. Teamwork! We trained, we practiced, we trialed and we succeeded. Each and every one of us moved forward together. IPO continues...

Alan & Odiy reporting

I've often heard it's much easier to teach a child to perform a task than an adult. The child has no preconceived notions on how to do it. This is how Odiy and set out this venture. I had no idea what RH was or how to begin to train a young GSD pup to do any of the tasks involved. Luckily, through Steff Dunion, my guru and the person who obtained Odiy for me, I was on the right path.

Originally my goal was to teach Odiy some basic commands so she would be a good obedient dog. Odiy quickly showed me she needed something more to do and apparently search work was her forte. From the beginning, she had drive and determination, just

wasn't polished in her technique. Through Steff's help and other club members (Linda & Melissa), who knew much more about training than me, Odiy was able to attain her BH and RH1 in the same year.

For complete novices to the sport, I find that very rewarding. It's been great fun, great comradery, a true learning experience and a coordinated effort by all members of the RH K9 Rangers.

And so it is time to learn even more things under the 2019 rule amendments. Knowing my team, they will be up for the challenge. This is such a positive experience working with almost all rookies in this new endeavor – their spirit and desire to learn all they can, be part of an exclusive club and already begin to share their knowledge and training with new members is heartwarming. And all it took was one dog to make it happen!



Melissa and Kludde RH2-B-F; Linda & Luther RH2A-FL; Alan & Odiy RH1-FL; Craig & Jonny RH2-A-F



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VA1 Female Aschi vom haus Hutfeld
Erin O'Shae
Universal Sieger Zastin Eqidius
Thomas Payne
Universal Siegerin Chloe v Bullinger
Cheryl Nance

2015 USCA, Zion, IL

VA1 Cobra d'Ulmental
Jack Tsai
V1 LC Caleb vom Haus Dagenhart
Bob Kindberg
VA1 Xana vom Leithawald
Erich Ehrenhofer & Shak Williams
Universal Sieger Arko vom Eichenluft
Rob Dunn

2016 OG Indianapolis SchH und Polizei

VA1 Maffey vom Quartier Latin
Frank Maxein & Dirk Gabriel
VA1 LC Caleb vom Haus Dagenhart
Bob Kindberg
VA1 Aci vom Leithawald
Shak Williams & Erich Ehrenhofer
V1 LC Dayton vom Adel Haus
Michael Castner
Universal Sieger Dux Von Hugelblick
Gina Pfeffer
Universal Siegerin Quicke vom kleinen Teich
Christine Gaumont

2017 South Metro Atlanta Schutzhund Club

VA1 Keule vom Holtkamper Hof
Jose Raul hernandez & Peter Goodwin
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Twin County Schutzhund Club has a Trial

By Karen Bostwick, Twin County Schutzhund Club Secretary

November 17, 2018 was a beautiful day! Even the geese celebrated. And this tracking dog? He's busy on the track and doesn't pay any attention. Such good work.



Another "man of the hour", Hunter Hollenbeck, honored us with his service as helper for the IPO3 and the IPO1. Good work with his skills as Trial Helper and progress his career as a helper. We needed and appreciated everything he did for us.



We were happy to celebrate having Paul Schneider,



USCA trial judge, with us in the sunshine and with his clever pen to judge our small trial to end the 2018 year. For our members and for our entries the day moved along well and success stood out to all. It was a great day.

We thank Bill Brimberry for showing us his IPO3 dog's performance in tracking, obedience and protection. As highest scoring IPO3 that team gave us encouragement to keep working ahead.





Our unique and new entry of the StP1, James Moore and Liska gave it a good try. This is something we may try in the future. Thank you Liska.

In addition to the “big guys” we had our BH entries to complete the trial’s performances. Dana and Katherine shined on that shiny street after a good performance on the field. Good work ma’am.



Our Canadian friend, Dorwin Anderson came with Nash to wow us with his tracking and good work in obedience and protection. Nash and Dorwin showed off some good work all the way around and we appreciated his support.

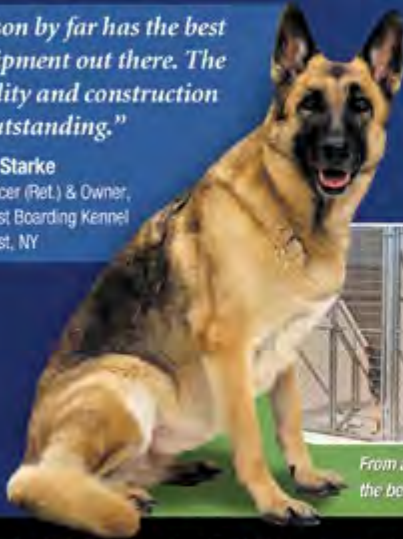


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Beauty and Brawn

By Robin M. Ayling

How could one summarize the Mid Central Regional Confirmation Show? Held October 19–21 in Junction City, Kansas, hosted by Flint Hills Working Dogs, a large mix of show line and working line dogs were judged by SV judge and Koermeister Dieter Oeser.

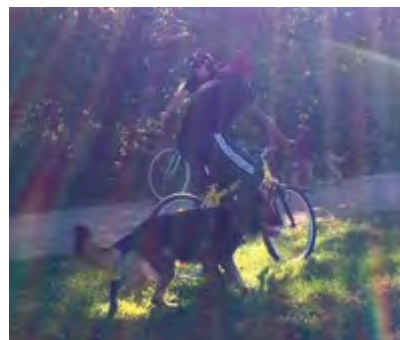
With a total of 72 entries (some multiple entries) that included the AD on Friday night, dental notations, conformation show and Korung (breed survey). The stress leading up to the event faded away the weekend of as things just fell into place. Teamwork, planning and the cooperation of the weather made for a near perfect weekend.

The build up to the conformation show was not without fraught as three weeks prior to the show we lost our location — a beautiful park and soccer field. This affected the ADs as well. The hunt was on for a new venue and a suitable place to run the ADs. We only had 14 entries at this time and it looked as if this event was going to drain our meager bank account. The club secretary and secretary for the event Peggy Shaver (Malinois person, trying to convert her) was putting in countless hours trying to make sure all the paperwork and advertisements were out plus reaching out through e-mails to all participants. Tammy Rush another non-GSD member gave her time freely as well working on the catalog and online entries. Without these two we would not have been able to pull off our first conformation show let alone a Regional event. BIG THANKS.

The venue was changed to our club grounds, and it turned out almost perfect with the turning of the leaves, sunny fall weather, plenty of parking and a separate area for training. The AD on Friday was moved to the town of Manhattan, a 20-minute drive but the bike ride was better than the original grounds.



The weekend kicked off with the ADs Friday early evening with seven dogs running and three times that may spectators — a first with so many spectators. I was chuffed to say that all passed as five of the seven were doing their breed survey that Sunday and needed this AD.



Saturday morning kicked off the show. As the parking lot filled up and participants from all over the Mid Central Region and from states as far away as Texas, checked in for show “bibs” and competitor bags filled various goodies and donations from Mike Williams — Canine Performance Nutrition and Mo Huggis K9-OTC — Victor dog food. We could not ask for a better day — slight chill in the air in the morning to sweat shirt weather by mid-day. All the dogs illustrated what it meant to be a German Shepherd and you could see the amount of training that all did in order to prepare for the show, working lines and well as the highline. Our judge, Dieter Oeser, remarked on this throughout the weekend. He was pleasantly surprised with the preparation that the working dog owners/handlers put into showing their dogs. He repeatedly said that is not the norm and was good to see that the working community was taking conformation seriously. As a club, Flint Hills Working Dogs offered two separate weekends of ring training with the assistance of SuAnne Herman, Parkseite German Shepherds.

After the break for lunch, cooked and grilled by the local Masonic Lodge, of which our own Lamar Ware is an active member, we started with the adult dog classes. By 3:45 we had a new Mid Central Sieger, V-Strong End Soft Nixon, owned by Linda Smith and a new Mid Central Siegeren, Basha Z Travle Svonody, owned by Melinda Weber, see the complete results in the USCA magazine under trials/shows.

The day did not end though, and people stayed to train. Judge’s dinner was scheduled for 6:30 at a local steak house. We had over 40 people show up

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EB Ballot #38-18 Approve Temporary Selection Process for 2019 Universal Team

Motion by Heidi Theis, NBW, on behalf of BAC, and seconded by Michele Clubb, Secretary, to add temporary Universal Team selection process for 2019.

- Proposed Changes for 2019 Universal Team Selection (changes in red to name of show calling it Regional Show and not Sieger Show/National Show, adding a validity time period, specific year for this process for the USCA GSD National Championship, and adding show performance test clause):
- The dog must be shown in a USCA Regional Show and 2018 USCA GSD National Championship.
- The dog must be at least G at a USCA Regional Show during time period June 1, 2018 - May 5, 2019.
- Performance phase C at 2018 USCA GSD National Championship will be in lieu of show performance test.
- The dog must be pronounced and at least G at the USCA GSD National Championship.

Point Selection Process will remain the same (changes in red to name calling it Regional Show and not Sieger Show/National show, also adding specific year for this process for the USCA National Championship):

- USCA Regional Show Dogs are awarded points depending on their placing in the adult working classes. The first place dog receives one (1) point. The dog in second place receives two (2) points, and so on until the last dog in the group of dogs declared for Universal Team.
- USCA GSD Nationals Dogs are awarded points depending on their placing at the 2018 USCA GSD National Championship. The first place dog receives one (1) point. The dog in second place receives two (2) points, and so on until the last dog in the group of dogs declared for Universal Team

- The highest possible score is two (2).
- In the event of several dogs achieving identical points (tie), the dog bred in the USA under United Schutzhund Clubs of America regulations will be favored over any other dog.
- If there is still a tiebreaker necessary, then the points received from the performance in the 2018 GSD National Championship will dominate the other points.

All other Universal Team Regulations will be the same for 2019. If approved, the above changes will be posted to the USCA website. New proposal is forthcoming for future years to avoid this situation again. Again, this is temporary ONLY for 2019.

Background: The BAC has approved this selection process for the 2019 team selection.

Current regulations state dogs vying for Universal team selection must attend USCA Nationals and USCA Sieger Show or National Show. Due to polling by Sieger Show competitors, the EB decided to move the Sieger Show to Fall 2019 as that is the time period the majority of competitors wanted. Because of this, Fall 2019 falls outside the selection time period currently in our regulations for the Universal Team selection of National Trial 2018 and May 2019. We need temporary changes for the 2019 regulations for the Universal Team selection process to be valid.

VOTE RESULTS:

YES: 16 - President Vadim Plotsker, Vice President Mark Scarberry, Treasurer Jim Alloway, Secretary Michele Clubb, DOJ Nathaniel Roque, NBW Heidi Theis, DAL's: Mike Diehl, Dennis Vander Linde, Gary McGillivray, RD's: Mark Chaffin, Debra Krsnich, Pedro Jimenez Jr, Hal Lymus, Chris Thompson, Teresa and Dr Dena McGowan

No Response: 3 - RD/DAL Alan Bartlson, RD's Don Yelle and Carissa Kuehn

MOTION CARRIED DECEMBER 12, 2018

Executive Board Ballots

EB Ballot # 39-18 Approve Slate of Judges for 2019 USCA Working Dog Championship (WDC)

Motion: made by Nathaniel Roque, Director of Judges, on behalf of the USCA Judges Committee, seconded by Michele Clubb, Secretary, to approve the following slate of Judges for the 2019 USCA Working Dog Championship (WDC).

- A. (Tracking) -- Don Yelle, USCA
- B. (Obedience) -- Pierre Walstrom, SV, FCI
- C. (Protection) -- Zoltan Nagy, USCA

Background: Based on the USCA Judge Program Requirements the USCA Judges Committee has reviewed the applicants and eligible USCA judges and unanimously recommends this slate of judges for the 2019 USCA WDC as qualified and able to provide an excellent and fair evaluation of each phase and performance.

It is the intent of the USCA Judges Committee to always provide the best qualified judges for our championship events and always attempt to use USCA Judges as our first selection. This slate of Judges includes two USCA Judges that are not only highly qualified to judge a championship event but have actively judged over the past 3 years or have met the newly implemented Bi Richter Program and attended a Judges College passing the required written test with 96% or above. Our judge selection for B (obedience) Mr Pierre Walstrom is an internationally recognized judge and member of the FCI Working Committee with experience judging many all-breed championships

The Judges Committee may also appoint a Bi Richter in at least 1 phase of the event to continue to prepare a larger slate of USCA Judges for Championship Events. USCA Judges selection for "Bi Richter" in each phase will be made by the USCA Judges Committee based on eligible USCA Judges with the intent that they will be selected for future events.

(Per the Performance Judges' Program [Section 16G] we will submit the Judges separately in 3 ballots. Voting is confidential.)

The proposed slate of judges for this event are:

VOTE RESULTS:

Ballot #39-18A - Tracking – Don Yelle, USCA - MOTION CARRIED DECEMBER 23, 2018

Ballot #39-18B - Obedience – Pierre Walstrom, SV/ FCI - MOTION CARRIED DECEMBER 23, 2018

Ballot #39-18C - Protection – Zoltan Nagy, USCA - MOTION CARRIED DECEMBER 23, 2018

EB Ballot # 40-18 Approve O.G. Indianapolis Schutzhund und Polizei to host the 2019 USCA/ GSCDA Qualification Trial

Motion by: Michele Clubb, Secretary on behalf of the National Events Committee, second by Mark Scarberry, Vice President (Mid East Region Director), to approve O.G. Indianapolis Schutzhund und Polizei to co-host the 2019 USCA/GSDCA Qualification Trial, June 7th to June 9th, 2019.

Background: The National Events Committee received a bid from O.G. Indianapolis Schutzhund und Polizei to co-host the 2019 Qualification trial. After discussions the committee feels that O.G. Indianapolis will be able to host an exceptional.

The event will be hosted in Momence, Illinois with the assistance of Wayne Singleton and Angie Stark (both USCA members). O.G. Indianapolis have co-hosted several regional and national events in the past. Wayne and Angie have also hosted several national events (AWDF, DVG and AWMA) in the past.

O.G Indianapolis has the support of their Regional Director and the Regional Director for Mid Central, Mark Chaffin, where the event will be held.

VOTE RESULTS:

YES: 18 - President Vadim Plotsker, Vice President Mark Scarberry, Treasurer Jim Alloway, Secretary Michele Clubb, DOJ Nathaniel Roque, NBW Heidi Theis, DAL's: Mike Diehl, Dennis Vander Linde, Gary McGillivray and Alan Bartson, RD's: Mark Chaffin, Pedro Jimenez Jr, Hal Lymus, Chris Thompson, Teresa Cowart, Don Yelle, Carissa Kuehn and Dr Dena McGowan

No Response: 1 - RD Deb Krsnich

MOTION CARRIED DECEMBER 27, 2018

EB Ballot #41-18 - Remove the \$100 non-member fee for clubs that are members of AWDC

Motion by: Jim Alloway, Treasurer and seconded by Michele Clubb, Secretary, to remove the \$100 non-member fee exemption for clubs that are members of AWDC. E-Ballot #05-18 provides the exemption, however the AWDC is no longer in existence. This ballot supersedes E-Ballot #05-18

VOTE RESULTS: YES: 17 - President Vadim Plotsker, Vice President Mark Scarberry, Treasurer Jim Alloway, Secretary Michele Clubb, DOJ Nathaniel Roque, NBW Heidi Theis, DAL's: Mike Diehl, Dennis Vander Linde, Gary McGillivray and Alan Bartlson, RD's: Mark Chaffin, Hal Lymus, Chris Thompson, Teresa Cowart, Don Yelle, Carissa Kuehn and Dr Dena McGowan

NFD: 1 - RD Debra Krsnich

No Response: 1 - RD Pedro Jimenez

MOTION CARRIED JANUARY 5, 2019

EB Ballot #01-19 Approve USCA to submit an application to AWDF for reinstatement

Motion by: Michele Clubb, Secretary and seconded by Dennis Vander Linde, DAL, to submit an application to AWDF for reinstatement and pay the \$450 annual dues to AWDF.

VOTE RESULTS: YES: 19 - President Vadim Plotsker, Vice President Mark Scarberry, Treasurer Jim Alloway, Secretary Michele Clubb, DOJ Nathaniel Roque, NBW Heidi Theis, DAL's: Mike Diehl, Dennis Vander Linde, Gary McGillivray and Alan Bartlson, RD's: Mark Chaffin, Pedro Jimenez Jr, Hal Lymus, Chris Thompson, Teresa Cowart, Don Yelle, Carissa Kuehn, Deb Krsnich, and Dr Dena McGowan

MOTION CARRIED JANUARY 23, 2019

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March 29-31, 2019
High Plains Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3
(IGP AS OF 1/2019), UPr1-3
(OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: TBA

April 5-7, 2019
St. Louis SchH Association
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3
(IGP as of 1/2019), IPO VO,
UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3),
Show Rating, Breed Survey
Judge: TBA

April 13-14, 2019
Tornado Alley Hundesport
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3
(IGP as of 1/2019), IPO VO,
FH1-2, STP1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3),
AWD1-3, FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge:
Ann Marie Chaffin, USCA/SV

June 8-9, 2019
Mid Iowa Working Dogs
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3 (IGP
as of 1/2019), FH1-2, UPr1-3
(OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge:
Ann Marie Chaffin, USCA/SV

August 3-4, 2019
Iowa Hundesport Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3 (IGP as of
1/2019)
Judge: Frank Phillips, USCA

MID-EASTERN REGION IN, KY, MI, OH, TN

April 5-7, 2019 - PA
Regional Conformation Show
Vita Nova Schutzhund Club
Conformation Show and
Breed Survey
Judge: Frank Goldlust, SV

April 20-21, 2019 - WA
**TRACKING SEMINAR/
CLASSIFICATION**
Cascade Schutzhund Verein
Teaching Tracklayer: TBD

May 17-19, 2019 - OH
Northeast Ohio Working Dog
Association
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3,
FH1-2
Judge:
Hermann Schaemann, SV

May 18, 2019 - IN
Great Lakes Working Dog
Association
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3
Judge: Deb Krsnich, USCA

May 18-19, 2019
O.G. Indianapolis Schutzhund
und Polizei Club
Titles Offered: IPO 1-3, IGP
1-3, GPR 1-3, FPr 1-3 (TR 1-3),
UPr 1-3 (OB 1-3), FH-V, IFH,
IFH2, IGP FH, IGP V, AD, BH
VT, STp 1-3
Judge: Arthur Collins, USCA

May 24-26, 2019 - OH
O.G. Buckeye SchH Club
Trail: BH, AD, Apr1-3, IPO1-3,
FH1-2, UPr1-3, AWD1-3, FPr1-3
Judge:
Hermann Schaemann, SV

June 28-30, 2019
Metro Detroit SchH Club
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, AGP1-3,
IPO1-3, IPO VO, FH1-2, STP1-3,
UPr1-3(OB1-3), AWD1-3
Judge: Manfred Drescher, SV

July 19-21, 2019 - OH
**CONFORMATION SHOW -
BREED SURVEY**
O.G. Buckeye SchH Club
AD, Show Rating, Breed
Survey
Judge: Dieter Oeser, SV

July 20-21, 2019
**HELPER SEMINAR/
CLASSIFICATION**
Metro Detroit SchH Club
Teaching Helper:
John Bochenek

October 11-13, 2019
REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
Greater Cincinnati SchH Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3 (IGP as of
1/2019)
Judge: TBA

NEW ENGLAND REGION CT, MA, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT

April 6-7, 2019
Uber Schutzhund Association
Trial: BH, AD, IPO1-3 (IGP as
of 1/2019), IPO VO, FH1-2,
FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: TBA

April 20, 2019 - NY
Northeast K9
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3,
UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Don Yelle, USCA

April 27-28, 2019 - MA
Inner City Working Dog Club
**New England Helper Seminar
and Classification**
Teaching Helpers:
John Bochenek and
Don Yelle, USCA

June 22-23, 2019 - NJ
Tri-State Working Dog Club
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3,
UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Manfred Drescher, SV

October 5-6, 2019 - NY
First HGH Herding Club
Trial: HGH
Judge: Peter Bruckner, SV

NORTH CENTRAL REGION Northern IA & Northern IL MN, ND, NE, SD, WI

May 25, 2019 - WI
O.G. Bierstadt SchH Club
Trial: BH, AD, Apr1-3, IPO1-3,
IPO VO, UPr1-3, FPr1-3
Judge: Heidi Theis, USCA

May 26, 2019 - WI
O.G. Bierstadt SchH Club
Regional Conformation
Judge: Heidi Theis, USCA

May 27, 2019 - WI
O.G. Bierstadt SchH Club
Breed Survey
Judge: Heidi Theis, USCA

June 8-9, 2019
Minnesota Valley
Schutzhund Verein
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3
(IGP as of 1/2019), UPr1-3
(OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: Robin Ayling, USCA

June 15, 2019
O.G. Inselstadt SchH Club
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3
(IGP as of 1/2019), UPr1-3
(OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: Debra Krsnich, USCA

June 22-23, 2019
Fox Valley Police &
Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3
(IGP as of 1/2019), FH1-2,
STP1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3),
AWD1-3, RH, FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Michael Caputo, USCA

July 13, 2019
Indian Creek SchH Club
Trial: IPO1-3, IGP1-3, FPr1-3
(Tr1-3), UPr1-3(OB1-3), AD,
BH VT
Judge: Debra Krsnich, USCA

September 7-8, 2019 - IL
Turner Junction Working
Dog Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3, FH1-2,
UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3
(Tr1-3)
Judge:
Debra Krsnich, USCA

September 20-22, 2019 - WI
O.G. Bierstadt SchH Club
**REGIONAL WORKING
CHAMPIONSHIP**
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3,
IPO VO
Judge:
Vadim Plotsker, USCA

NORTHEASTERN REGION DE, MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV

April 20-21, 2019
Rivanna SchH & Police Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3 (IGP as of 1/2019), IPO VO, FH1-2, STP1-3, UPr1-3(OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Norbert Schulz, SV

May 10-12, 2019
Greater Philadelphia Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3 (IGP as of 1/2019), FH1-2, UPr1-3(OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: Debra Krsnich, USCA

May 11, 2019
Hegins Valley Police & Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3, OB1-3, TR1-3
Judge: Don Yelle, USCA

NORTHWESTERN REGION Northern CA, HI, Northern NV, UT, Guam

March 8-10, 2019
San Jose German Shepherd Dog Club Inc,
Trial: BH, IPO1-3 (IGP as of 1/2019)
Judge: TBA

March 29-31, 2019
Menlo Park Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, IPO1-3, FH1-2, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: Holger Pecho, SV

March 30-31, 2019
Placer County SchH Club
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3 (IGP as of 1/2019), UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Nathaniel Roque, USCA/SV

April 12-14, 2019 - UT
Utah German Shepherd Schutzhunde Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3
Judge: Craig Groh, USCA/SV

April 27-28, 2019
Nor Cal Working Dog Club IPO Trial
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), RH, FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Robert Johantgen, USCA

May 10-12, 2019
Menlo Park Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, IPO1-3, FH1-2, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Bernhard Prem, SV

June 14-16, 2019
Menlo Park Schutzhund Club
Regional Conformation Show and Breed Survey
Trial: AD, Show Rating, Breed Survey
Judge: Harald Hohmann, SV

PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

April 12-14, 2018 - OR
Trial/Conformation Show/Breed Survey
Rogue Valley SchH Club
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Show Rating & Breed Survey
Judge: Heidi Theis, USCA

June 14-16, 2019 - WA
Snohomish Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, Apr1-3, IPO1-3, FH1-2, STP1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Andrea Duggan, GSSCC/USCA

June 29-30, 2019
REGIONAL HELPER SEMINAR & CLASSIFICATION TRACKING SEMINAR & CLASSIFICATION
Pacific Northwest Hundesport
Helper: Kris Taylor
Tracklayer: Kris Taylor

August 3-4, 2019
Triple V Working Dogs Club
Trial: IGP1-3, IGP FH, IGP V, BH VT
Judge: Vadim Plotsker, USCA

August 23-25, 2019 - WA
Snohomish Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3, STP1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (TR1-3), Show Rating, Breed Survey
Judge: Edgar Pertl, SV

September 21-22, 2019 - OR
Rogue Valley SchH Club
Trial: IGP1-3, AD
Judge: Willie Pope Jr., USCA/SV

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION AR, LA, NM & TX

March 1-3, 2019 - TX
SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
Greater Houston SchH Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3, FH1
Judge: Carla Griffith, USCA/SV

March 23-24, 2019
Wild West Working Dogs
Trial: IPO3, IGP3, GPR1-3, FPr1-3 (TR1-3), UPr1-3 (OB1-3), IFH, IFH2, IGP FH, AD, BH VT, Show rating
Judge: Gerardo Heredia, FCI

December 14-15, 2019 - LA
Acadiana Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3
Judge: Andrea Duggan, GSSCC/USCA

SOUTHEASTERN REGION AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC

March 22-24, 2019 - NC
Fayetteville Schutzhund Club
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, APO1-3, IPO VO, FH1-2, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Carla Griffith, USCA/SV

April 13-14, 2019
Central Alabama Schutzhund Club of Birmingham
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3, IPO VO, FH1-2, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: Al Govednik, USCA

April 19-20, 2019
Greater Miami SchH Club
Trial: BH, AD, IPO1-3 (IGP as of 1/2019), UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Arthur Collins, USCA

April 27, 2019
Chattahoochee SchH Club
Trial: BH, IPO1-3 (IGP as of 1/2019)
Judge: Carla Griffith, USCA/SV

May 25, 2019
Twin Beech Schutzhund Club
Trial: IPO1-3, FPr1-3 (Tr1-3), UPr1-3 (OB1-3), BH VT
Judge: Arthur Collins, USCA

October 4-6, 2019 - NC
Fayetteville Schutzhund Club Fall IPO Trial
Trial: BH, AD, APR1-3, IPO1-3, IPO VO, FH1-2, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), FPr1-3(Tr1-3)
Judge: Debra Krsnich, USCA

October 10-13, 2019 - NC
2019 USCA SIEGER SHOW
Piedmont Schutzhund Club Show Rating
Judges: Lothar Quoll, SV & Frank Goldlust, SV

SOUTHWESTERN REGION AZ, CA (south of Fresno-Monterey), Southern NV

March 22-24, 2019 - CA
Aztec Schutzhund Club
Regional Championship
Trial: IPO1-3
Judges: Stadium: Vadim Plotsker, USCA
Tracking: Don Yelle, USCA

April 7, 2019 - CA
Western Horizons Working Dog Club
Trial: BH, APR1-3, IPO1-3, IPO VO, SRP1-3, UPr1-3 (OB1-3), AWD1-3, FPr1-3 (Tr1-3)
Judge: Heidi Thies, USCA

Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2019
Scottsdale Schutzhund Club
Trial: IGP1-3, GPR1-3, FPr1-3 (Tr1-3), UPr1-3 (OB1-3), IFH, IFH2, AD
Judge: Karen MacIntyre, USCA

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Trial Results

9/29/2018-9/29/2018 Rose City Working Dog Association Woodburn, OR
NATHANIEL ROQUE, USCA/SV
 Track Layer: Adrienne Steimonts
 Helpers: Mark Pellon, Jose Curiel

IPO1	Mordecai vom Haus Tyson* GSD								M	Jason Lake	
	<i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>										
IPO2	The Grog*	MIX	96	91	86	P	273	SG		Merissa Micochero	
IPO3	Indiana vom Kraftwerk GSD	91	95	96	P	282	SG			Kevin Coombs	
	Cori vom Flusse Rand* GSD	85	90	91	P	266	G			Tom Miller	
	Collins von Krigbaum* BMAL	93	77	90	P	260	G			Denis Krigbaum	
	Athos Bellatrix BMAL	84	83	90	P	257	G			Suzanne Loeel	
	Quannah vom Rom GSD	88	84	83	P	255	G			Bill Brimberry	
	Beka van het Bos* ROT	74	87	85	P	246	G			Woodrow Bright	
	Zorro Aritar Bastet* GSD	82	82	78	P	242	G			Ray Blomberg	
	Eran von den Hoehenluft* GSD	55	85	85	P		M			Tom Miller	
	Vrijheid's Qahlua* DUTCH	71	62	82	P		M			Jenny Thorp	
	Valiant's Dynamic Dynamite* DUTCH	6	84	81	P		M			Jenny Thorp	
BH	Aesop Rocks Filles des BMAL									Christa Sapita	
	Sonja Pilz Jager* GSD									Jennie Bohna	
	Mush Puppies Toast von Krigbaum* BMAL									Kay McNeil	
	Fran von den Hoehenluft* GSD									Julie Phillis	
	Mp Kennels Muchacho MIX									Adrienne Steimonts	
	Cyrus Von Sentinelharts* GSD									Matt Almgren	

10/5/2018-10/7/2018 Quinebaug Schutzhund Club Killingly, CT
ERNST RIEGL, SV
 Track Layer: Don Yelle
 Helpers: Don Yelle, MacKenzie(Colt) Dickson

IPO1	Apollo von Perlen-Haus* GSD	90	87	93	P	270	SG			Daniela Bedenice
	Joy von Hanrahaus* GSD	87	80	80	P	247	G			Ashley Pierce
	Dutch Masters Yoda* MIX	75	70	86	P	231	B			Stephen Gossmeier
IPO2	Benny vom Roten Sturm* BMAL	93	94	94	P	281	SG			John Soares
	Ikon vom Mack-Zwinger* GSD	85	90	88	P	263	G			Daniela Bedenice
	Jakko von der Hagenmuhle GSD	91	71	97	P	259	G			John Horan
	Elara's Ace of Spades* DOBE	87	74	83	P	244	G			Ellen Gilmour
IPO3	Garr vom Rebel Yelle* GSD	97	94	92	P	283	SG			John Donnelly
	Hexel vom Haus Salztalblick* GSD	95	93	94	P	282	SG			Gary Foley
	Eddie z Bukovanske Osady MIX	85	88	95	P	268	G			Andy Deitz
	Jezebel vom Rebel Yelle* GSD	94	73	87	P	254	G			Ivana Karlsen
	Charra Perro de la Casa Negra* BSG	74	78	82	P	234	B			Lauren Hassett
FH1	Jekyll vom Rebel Yelle* GSD	90					90	SG		Ivana Karlsen
	Rhea vom Hund der Ehre* GSCN	80					80	G		Michelle Testa
	Bero v Haus Saffko* GSD							M		Bill Mullen
BH	Ella von der Urbecke GSD									Ivana Karlsen
	Ice vom Grunwald Haus* GSD									Eric Frederick
	Baden von Haus Highlander* ROT									Angela Rachmaciej
	Lord Thorin z Timberidge* GSD									Darryl Chandler
TR1	Cayman vom Hochland* GSD	92					92	SG		Ashley Pierce

10/6/2018-10/7/2018 O.G. Inselstadt Schutzhund Club Hazelhurst, WI
MICHAEL CAPUTO, USCA
 Track Layer: Dorothy Renier
 Helper: Kevin Baars

IPO1	Britva vom Eisenberg* GSD	96	85	90	P	271	SG			Sue Calkins
FH1	Steelpaw's Bern* BMAL	83					83	G		Debra Krsnich
AD	Worsola von der Tetiaroa* GSD									Kevin Baars
	Romulus Vom Haus Videre GSD									Lani Rethaber
	Greja Zeda Betelges* DOBE									Alissa Ayres
BH	Romulus Vom Haus Videre GSD									Lani Rethaber
	Yara D MIX									Gorge Deering
	Cruz vom Haus Videre* GSD									Diane Severson
	Uxia von der Fasanerie2000* GSD									Elizabeth Busa
	Elysia von Hartwin* GSD									McKenna Wicklund
FPR1	Xyrano Radinie GSCN	88					88	G		Renee Mutter
FPR2	Baylee vom Eisenberg GSD	85					85	G		Kevin Baars

10/13/2018-10/14/2018 O.G. Ohio Hundesport Club Dalton, OH
HANS CHRISTIAN BOLL, SV
 Track Layers: Sean Myers, Zachary Nussbaum, John Nussbaum
 Helpers: Sean Myers, Michael W Shellhause

IPO1	Cuffs vom Feuerlands* GSD									Tammy Blackford	
	<i>DQ</i>										
IPO2	Caper von Tighehaus* GSD	96	90	97	P	283	SG			Jessica Gainer	
IPO3	Victor von Ostrahaus* GSD	82	80	80	P	242	G			Gabe Lattanzio	
FH1	York von der Laubenhaid* AIR						92			Maugh Vail	
	Mohawk's Don't Tread on Me* BMAL						88			Julia Bober	
	Outlaw Pete vom Ryderhaus* GSD						84			Sean Myers	
BH	Kari* MIX									Macy McFarland	
	Bella R* MIX									Robert Routh	
	Bronsey vom Reebock* GSD									Mike Shellhause	
	Hammer vom Haus Weinbrand* GSD									Mike Shellhause	
TR1	Cain von der Koenigin Vik* GSD	82					82			Vickie Holdren	
TR3	Gangstervom Schonen Berg* GSD								M	Dan McCallion	

10/13/2018-10/14/2018 Illinois SchH and Police Dog Club Trilla, IL
DEBRA KRSNICH, USCA
 Track Layer: Anne Rammelsberg
 Helpers: Steven Edmonds, D. Mike Delaney

	Felon von Kistlerhaus* GSD									David Crow	
	<i>DQ NO OUT</i>										
IPO1	Brynja vom Quellwasser GSD	81								Holly Anne Geier	
	<i>TERM DUE TO INJURY</i>										
IPO2	Tyson vom Haus Edmonds* GSD	96	88	81	P	265	G			Steve Edmonds	
	Roar z Westwood* GSD									Nita Eichman	
	<i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>										

IPO3					
Callie vom Starken Hund*	GSD			Jana Barker	
	<i>DQ NO OUT</i>				
Falco d van den Heuvel*	GSD			D Mike Delaney	
	<i>DQ BIT HELPER</i>				
FH2					
Ava von Holtgrew*	GSD	23		M AL Govednik	
BH					
Indy Bamiszou Roberts*	BMAL		P	Charity Roberts	
Kiara z Jukasu	GSD		F	Nita Eichman	
Keeper von Kistlerhaus*	GSD			Niala Branson	
	<i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>				
Jazmyn Vom Wasser Haus*	GSD			Dayna Powell	
	<i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>				

10/14/2018-10/14/2018 Schafherd Schutzhund Club St. James, NY
HERR HANS-PETER SCHWEIMER, SV

AD					
Netti vom Billberg	GSD		P	Joseph Mariduena	

10/19/2018-10/21/2018 Metro Detroit Schutzhund Club Milan, MI
CARLA GRIFFITH, USCA/SV
Track Layers: John L Bochenek, Jason Bane
Helpers: John L Bochenek, Nick Dillman, Stephen Liggins

IPO1					
Indiana vom Dragonhaus*	GSD	96 92	96 P 284 SG	Anne Marie Howarth	
Lucien Kane van den Heuvel*	GSD	87 78	83 P 248 G	Joseph LaJoice	
Bianka vom High Bridge	GSD	93 78		Maryanne Tsvitse	
	<i>WOULD NOT ENGAGE</i>				
Ronja von der Staatsmacht	GSD			Jake Lawrence	
	<i>OUT OF CONTROL DQ</i>				
Anja's Enos van der Kuger*	BMAL			Tara Metz	
	<i>OUT OF CONTROL DQ</i>				
Wealththeovom Baischaus*	GSD			Christina Wild	
	<i>OUT OF CONTROL DQ</i>				

IPO2					
A'Hondo vom haus Harvey*	GSD	94 93	87 P 274 SG	Chelsea Harvey	
Arch Rival vom Haus Harvey*	GSD	94 90	88 P 272 SG	Sheryl	
Pokorski					
Druck vom Grauen Ma-Holt*	GSD	93 86	90 P 269 G	Josef	
Dwortcheck					
Enzo von Kinhaus*	GSD	90 88	81 P 259 G	Jeofery Mondal	
IPO3					
Carro von der Feldweise	GSD	98 93	84 P 275 SG	Max Artemchik	
Bee vom Haus Hansen*	GSD	96 93	75 P 264 G	Greg Mominee	
Havoc XI*	ROT	71 63	81 P M	Johny O'Neil	

FH1					
C-Amos vom Haus Mann	DOBE	94	94 SG	Monica Anthony	

AD					
Vader von Buchmann*	GSD		P	Peggy Buchman	
Yogi aus Gerstbrei*	GSD		P	Rebecca Buchman	

BH					
Rogue Von Der Staatsmacht	GSD		P	Jake Lawrence	
Anuk vom Falkendonner*	GSD		P	Charles Seeley	
Baron vom Spartanville*	GSD		P	Susan Andring	
Omen z Hammer*	GSD		P	Kalea Gustafson	
Bristol Rose vom krieghund*	DOBE		P	Jason Bane	
Azog z Glaurung*	GSD		P	Stephanie Lesperance	
Brio Rose vom Krieghund*	DOBE		P	Monica Anthony	
Ike vom Gillrather Traum	MIX		P	Robyn Gillen	

OB1					
Vadik von Unique	GSD	92	92 SG	Taylor Braddock	

TR3					
Gleena vom Dragonreich*	DOBE	97	97 V	Jason Bane	

APR3					
Inoui du Chenil de Loucyn*	BMAL	82 94	P 176 G	Kelly Hodorek	

10/28/2018-10/28/2018 Piedmont Schutzhund Club Claremont, NC
HERR RAINER MAST, SV

AD					
Morchella vom Wasserrand	GSD		P	Gina Valetutti	
Dala vom Team Valtenberg	GSD		P	Maggie Shook	
Janet von der Kocaeli	GSD		P	Gregory Goshorn	
Lenkbar Amadeus Burg	GSD		P	Daniel Dupree	
Lustig'Er Amadeus Burh	GSD		P	Richard Shook	
Qitana aus Mecklenberg	GSD		P	Richard Shook	
Chace z Heylowego Wzgorza	GSD		P	Andrea Hoss	
Prima von den Oher Tannen	GSD		P	Nadia Adams	

2018 USCA GSD IPO3 National Championship
11/2/2018-11/4/2018 Vita Nova Schutzhund Club Pittsburgh, PA
MICHAEL CAPUTO, USCA; NATHANIEL ROQUE, USCA/SV;
ANN MARIE CHAFFIN, USCA/SV
Track Layers: Dave MacDougall, Kris Taylor, Willi C. Ortner, Tim Reiber, Jim Sullivan
Helpers: Jeffery Davis, Brady Schnowske

IPO3					
Vegas von der Burg Hinte	GSD	99 97	97 P 293 V	Erin O'Shea	
Kliff vom Floyd Haus*	GSD	98 96	98 P 292 V	Frank Phillips	
Knox von der Olgameister*	GSD	97 96	96 P 289 V	John Kennedy	
Dezi vom Haus Stavos*	GSD	100 93	96 P 289 V	Gustavo Sanchez	
Aldo vom Burmeister*	GSD	97 98	92 P 287 V	Ronny Burmer	
Sirkus vom Donau-Ries*	GSD	96 94	96 P 286 V	Christopher Campbell	
Uno vom Mutzbach	GSD	98 94	94 P 286 V	T Floyd	
Woody v.h. Zuidpark	GSD	98 87	97 P 282 SG	Vadim Plotsker	
Cody Blendy	GSD	97 90	95 P 282 SG	Liz King	
Loki Orrylordblack*	GSD	96 91	93 P 280 SG	Cheryl Nance	
Attack Slovrjaj*	GSD	92 90	97 P 279 SG	Tyler Pluss	
Boss vom Adlerschrei	GSD	94 93	91 P 278 SG	Wallace Payne	
Veron z Jirkova dvora*	GSD	96 91	91 P 278 SG	Ernest Chambers	
Rocky vom Patscherkofel	GSD	96 85	96 P 277 SG	Kevin Nance	
Moose von Hugelblick*	GSD	96 94	87 P 277 SG	Jennifer Flynn	
ESTER Ziva dog Family	GSD	88 92	95 P 275 SG	Gustavo Sanchez	
Heaven vom tapferen	GSD	95 86	94 P 275 SG	Jacob Pope	
Brick von Hanrahan*	GSD	97 88	90 P 275 SG	Eric Beasley	
Sky von Danubius*	GSD	98 94	83 P 275 SG	Nelli Racsko	
Caribou vox Meinerz	GSD	98 80	96 P 274 SG	Mario Gomes	
Gazze von der kleinen Birke	GSD	98 78	97 P 273 SG	Mike Diehl	
Ailo av Garm Haus*	GSD	100 78	95 P 273 SG	Kjersti Daabakk	
Ben z Johankinho dvora*	GSD	92 91	90 P 273 SG	Carolyn Daniel	
Trossack's Fortune Amok*	GSD	94 91	88 P 273 SG	Joe Stuetelberg	
Xora van Meerhout*	GSD	96 94	83 P 273 SG	Jessy Gabriel	
R Stryker von der Alte Baum*	GSD	91 91	90 P 272 SG	Kathy Cirilli	
Joschi vom Weinbergblick	GSD	95 84	92 P 271 SG	John Horan	
Ursa des Lupus Saevus*	GSD	93 87	90 P 270 SG	Richard Rosen	
Puma vom Wolfsdreieck*	GSD	95 87	88 P 270 SG	John Zovickian	
Goran Yucero Bohemia	GSD	89 87	91 P 267 G	Chris Thompson	
Xena von den Sportwaffen*	GSD	91 88	88 P 267 G	Kevin Seidl	
Demi Malabig	GSD	94 78	94 P 266 G	T Floyd	
Trotrosguard Alfie	GSD	98 83	85 P 266 G	Thom Payne	
Alta von Haus Hudak*	GSD	94 84	87 P 265 G	Sean McGinty	
Cherokee Hexer	GSD	87 86	90 P 263 G	Eric Beasley	
Ingo von Taylorhof*	GSD	96 81	84 P 261 G	Jessica Vampola	
Baxter vom Sakral	GSD	93 85	83 P 261 G	Cherie Flores	
Jupp v Tiekerhook	GSD	94 88	78 P 260 G	Britney Pelletier	
Duco v. Adelrik	GSD	86 84	86 P 256 G	Dennis Vander Linde	
Eich vom Steinbeckland*	GSD	80 94	82 P 256 G	Robin Eales	
Carro von der Feldweise	GSD	95 70	90 P 255 G	Max Artemchik	
El-Diablo vom Haus Fasold*	GSD	86 82	86 P 254 G	Ted Bellmyer	
Hamlyn von der Bosen	GSD	95 82	76 P 253 G	Stanley Craddock	
Expert Barnero*	GSD	87 76	89 P 252 G	Cheryl Green	
Rocca vom Haus Tyson*	GSD	77 82	92 P 251 G	Sandy Lynch	
C Mako vom Haus Bergblick*	GSD	81 78	90 P 249 G	Deleta Jones	
Iko vom Guldenen Winkel	GSD	86 75	87 P 248 G	Christina Fallin	
Cid von Krausplatz	GSD	83 72	85 P 240 G	Jeff Thomas	
Kash Du Triangle Magique	GSD	90 70	80 P 240 G	Brigitte Deitz	
Drogo nas Ochrance z Diehlomov*	GSD	81 81	78 P 240 G	Melissa Hull	
Vincenzo von Rohaus	GSD	75 74	87 P 236 B	Pat Valente	
Nanno du Triangle Magique*	GSD	86 89	P	Jason Yan	
	<i>TERM</i>				
Ucon vom Patiala*	GSD	82 84	P	Ajay Singh	
	<i>TERM</i>				
Glenn von der Seilschaft	GSD			Avi Cohen	
	<i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>				
Paul vom Ketscher Wald	GSD			Rick Schair	
	<i>PULLED</i>				

Trial Results

Cori vom Flusse Rand* GSD DQ OUT OF CONTROL	Tom Miller	IPO3	Chalmar's Ockham Razor* DOBE 98 94 96 P 288 V	Simone Jeans
Dasko von der Belferlein* GSD DQ NO OUT	Shelley Harris	Arrek vom Schneefall* GSD 98 92 96 P 286 V	Donna Gauvin	
Garr vom Rebel Yelle* GSD TERM DOG INJURED	John Donnelly	Dan Subravec* GSD 92 93 96 P 281 SG	Bob Hedl	
Jekyll vom Rebel Yelle* GSD DQ OUT OF CONTROL	Don Yelle	Heinz vom Schloss Berge* GSD 93 93 95 P 281 SG	Dean Black	
Witch van Meerhout* GSD PULLED	Chad Hubbard	Swift Run's Magnus* DOBE 96 92 87 P 275 SG	Russell Barry	
Oshi van Blutsenhof* GSD DQ OUT OF CONTROL	Denise Scelsi	Norik z Gemera* GSD 97 80 95 P 272 SG	Oleg Simkovic	
Ace von der Herzen Haus GSD DQ OUT OF CONTROL	Joeri Veth	Vincenzo von Rohaus* GSD 92 91 87 P 270 SG	Pat Valente	
Angus vom Haus Milka GSD DQ NO OUT	Michael Lorraine	Gunar vom Kellnerhof* GSD 86 85 92 P 263 G	Dorothy Renier	
Boone vom Hochland GSD DQ NO OUT	Matthew Arpano	Quito vom Haus Endrikat GSD 72 97 93 P 262 G	Ron Mattana	
Falco Moravia Go-Ha GSD DQ NO OUT	Alan Bartelson	Wilhelm Sieben Harrdman vom Mittelwest* GSD 86 71 80 P 237 B	Lynn Simmons	
Johnboy Vikar GSD PULLED	Kelly Horgan	BH		
Radic z Gemera* GSD DQ DOG BIT HELPER	Ronnie Weiss	Keira Vom Kenlyn* GSD P	Timothy Muldowney	
11/10/2018-11/10/2018 Asheville Working Dog Club Weaverville, NC STANLEY WAYNE CRADDOCK, USCA Track Layers: Todd Slepakoff Helper: Todd Slepakoff		11/11/2018-11/11/2018 North Boston Schutzhund Club Tewksbury, MA KAREN MACINTYRE, USCA Track Layer: Michael Harrington Helper: Michael Harrington		
Jalk Stan Hrad GSD		IPO1		
IPO1		Brimwylf Eastwood* GSD 80 72 81 P 233 B	Heather Hitchcock	
Ctirad vom Slep* GSD 90 85 92 P 267 G	Mary Leonidas	IPO2		
IPO3		Mike von Barren Berg* GSD 88 88 83 P 259 G	Barbara Hogan	
Otchi vom Warringhof* DOBE 90 84 80 P 254 G	Scott Severs	Jada vom Schweizerhof* GSD 78 78 82 P 238 B	Thomas Kench	
Gus Whisnant* MIX 88 75 70 S 233 B	Bonnie Whisnant	AD		
BH		Neina Von Olympia* GSD P	Mark Peters	
Wad McKillagin* MIX P	Bonnie Whisnant	El Divo Donna GSD P	Daniel Richard	
Hetti von der Koenig Haus* GSD P	Cheryl Mathis	Zala Von Der Grafenburg GSD P	Daniela Pinzone	
Chewie Vom Slep* GSD P	Todd Slepakoff	BH		
Xava Vom Haus Dyer * GSD P	Ken Thomas	Zala Von Der Grafenburg GSD P	Daniela Pinzone	
Honcho von Attitude "Tank" * GSD P	Rick Young	El Divo Donna GSD F	Daniel Richard	
Aggravated Arson* MIX P	Bonnie Whisnant			
11/10/2018-11/10/2018 Charleston Working Dog Club North Charleston CARLA GRIFFITH, USCA/SV Track Layer: Scott Hydrick Helper: Andrew Clark		11/16/2018-11/18/2018 DFW Working Dogs Dallas, TX PETER ROHDE, SV Track Layers: Randall Hoadley, Martin Barrow Helpers: James Sarpy, Jerrett Harris		
IPO2		IPO1		
Lupo Jabina NK9 vom Norrishaus* GSD 90 78 80 P 248 G	Miguel Elguera	Mace vom Kimberhund* GSD 90 85 75 P 250 G	Maya Jedlicka	
IPO3		Ruckus vom Rheinland* GSD 22 75 80 P M	Elena Black	
Joop vom Nienburger Land* ROT 75 80 88 P 243 G	Jorge Nieves	Ace von Schweizer GSD DQ NO OUT	Chris Bettin	
Waran von der Feuersaule GSD 58 86 78 P M	Herbery Lowry	IPO2		
BH		Brimwylf Double O Seven* GSD 98 92 88 P 278 SG	Louise Jollyman	
Dax* MIX P	Stacey Neal	Inka* BMAL 90 86 97 P 273 SG	Travis Lux	
Gryphon Vom Hausreid* GSD P	David Wagner	Lilith vom Rebel Yelle* GSD DQ NO OUT	Alexandra Anderson	
Rupen The Ruler* GSD P	Elisabeth Festa	IPO3		
Azazel vom Allrot Haus* GSD P	Morne' Diedericks	Kwebbel T Pamaleinhof GSD 91 80 76 P 247 G	Gary Mitchell	
11/10/2018-11/11/2018 O.G. Edgerton Schutzhund Club Wonder Lake, IL AL GOVEDNIK, USCA Track Layers: Rolando Salvador Helper: Robert M Haddad		Usso vom Germelhaus* GSD 45 84 90 P M	Jim Miller	
Swift Run's Magnum DOBE		AD		
IPO1		Allie Vom Strawberry River* GSD P	Chantelle Ford	
Matrix van Kneerland* DUTCH 90 82 92 264 G	Cheryl Hayek	Nika van de Zomerdijslanden GSD P	Chantelle Ford	
IPO2		Eternal vom Team True Blood GSD P	Chentelle Ford ^d	
Katie vom Haus Sagan II* GSD 99 96 96 P 291 V	Brigitte Sagan	BH		
Suruco de las Pampas* ARGENT 84 82 80 P 246 G	Ryan Pomrenke	Tabatha * BMAL P	Mildred Kleiner	
		Brimwylf Excalibur* GSD P	Elena Black	
		Wey Wey* GSD P	Thuan Mai	
		Allie Vom Strawberry River* GSD P	Chantelle Ford	
		Eternal vom Team True Blood GSD F	Chentelle Ford ^d	
		IPO-FH		
		Inigo von den Wannaer Hohen GSD 77 98 175 G	Randall Hoadley	

11/16/2018-11/17/2018 So. New Hampshire Working Dog Club Milford, NH
HEIDI THEIS, USCA
Track Layers: Vadim Plotsker, Frank Phillips
Helpers: Nicholas Hodgen, MacKenzie(Colt) Dickson

IPO1
 Ike von dem Nachwaechter GSD 93 93 88 P 274 SG Christopher Belanger
 Brava av Garm Haus* GSD 8 75 91 P U Irina Smilyanski

IPO2
 Ozzi von Watcher Engel* GSD 91 84 81 P 256 G Carol Hudson
 Zelda von Sterling GSD 77 61 76 S U Sierra Collings
 V Chickhoff Vigor GSD 90 U Kjersti Daabakk
TERM DOG LEFT HELPER
 Kele & Kele Cooper GSD Anne Pomeroy
PULL
 Balto av Garm Haus* GSD Kjersti Daabakk
DQ NO OUT

IPO3
 Jaecar vom Mack-Zwinger* GSD 97 83 95 P 275 SG Karen MacIntyre
 Taro vom Wegborn* GSD 47 80 90 P U Zane Daggett

BH
 Wyld von Hugelblick GSD P Kjersti Daabakk
 Oscar Vom Landgraf* DOBE P Phillip Wong

11/17/2018-11/17/2018 Panhandle Schutzhund Club Bonifay, FL
WILLIAM SZENTMIKLOSI, USCA/SV
Track Layers: Harry Hamilton
Helpers: Justin Brye, Summer Melillio

IPO1
 Smoke vom Rhynehaos GSD 86 81 80 P 247 G Jason Moore
 Gem"Diamond" vom Gildaf* GSD 8 74 72 S M Julie Ernst
 Du Juco Cash GSD Jim Wynn
DQ DOES NOT OUT

IPO2
 Elara's Aiko vom Herloven* DOBE 62 83 74 P M Summer Melillo
 Amaximus vom Rhynehaus* GSD Roland Ybarra
DQ ENGAGES JUDGE

IPO3
 Simon vom Sequoyahhaus GSD 72 75 74 P 221 B Roland Ybarra

BH
 Augustus Vom Rhynehaus* GSD P Georgana Wilpizeski
 Zyann's Luminary Experience GSD P Jim Wynn
 Moses* MIX P Jennifer Thomas
 Cinderella Von Rhynehaus* GSD P Steven Stewart II
 O'Neal vom Leipheimer Moor* GSD F Lee Schmid

11/17/2018-11/17/2018 Twin County Schutzhund Club Frontier Park
PAUL SCHNEIDER, USCA
Track Layer: Keri Lewis
Helper: Hunter Hollenbeck

IPO1
 Nash vom Wolfsdreieck* GSD 97 70 70 P 237 B Dorwin Anderson

IPO3
 Quanah vom Ron GSD 80 81 95 P 256 G Bill Brimberry

BH
 Dana Von Leineholz* GSD P Kathleen Gomes
 Mason von Herrlich* GSD F Britta Galarita

STP1
 Liska vom Banch* GSD 70 70 B James Moore

11/17/2018-11/17/2018 O.G. Wild Horse Schutzhund Club Hookstown, PA
NIKKI BANFIELD, USCA
Track Layer: Kristi McGinty
Helper: Joeri Veth

IPO1
 Uda v Scalindjo GSD 72 82 92 P 246 G Katlyn Schwarzwaelder
 Naiki von der Schwarz DOBE 60 Kristi McGinty
PULLED DOG SICK
 SDA Delmira Cuendillar* DOBE I Samantha Williams
WOULD NOT ENGAGE

IPO3
 Caper von Tighehaus* GSD 72 60 90 P M Jessica Gainer

BH
 Black Dynasty's Cotton Candy Mix P Jocelyn Helta
 Bourbon von Bachbett* BOX P Natalie Larizza
 Cha'Kima Cateri von Jelani Golden Haus GSD P Dean Calderon
 Sarek Vom Landgraf* GSD P Debra Hartzell

OB1
 Emerald Empress von King's Silbertal* WHSW 52 M Melanie Fuellgraf

OB3
 Gentleman Boulder vom Mehrzweck Hund* GSD 81 81 G Meredith Nuzum

TR1
 Emerald Empress von King's Silbertal* WHSW 70 70 B Melanie Fuellgraf

11/17/2018-11/17/2018 Alexandria Schutzhund Verein Lovettsville, VA
ROBERT JOHANTGEN, USCA
Track Layer: Marty Segretto
Helper: Marty Segretto

IPO1
 Muddy River's Ares* GSD 92 92 94 P 278 SG Pam Brocious
 Mako von Ridsen Haus* GSD 90 70 86 P 246 G Grace Van Dyke
 Logan z Jukasu* GSD 60 84 96 P M Jackie Mulligan

IPO2
 Bane vom Hochland* GSD 90 90 96 P 276 SG Julio Alves
 Shelby's Ever Makin Motion By Design* GSD 97 90 77 P 264 G Jessica James
 Blackthorn's Vodka* GSD 87 75 87 P 249 G William Gilbert
 Nina von Vereinigte Stolz* GSD 88 82 75 P 245 G Julie Harnage

BH
 Rubin Von Der Schwarz* DOBE P James Ellis
 Inox von der Rennbahn* GSD P Amanda Guthridge
 Quinzel vom Eichenluft* GSD P Amanda Homan
 Faro von Arrowwood* GSD P Megan Gorczyca

TR2
 Cita vom Jaguar* GSD 87 87 G Julie Harnage

Trial Results

11/17/2018-11/18/2018 Karma Working Dog Club Allentown, PA

VIC WILMS, FCI

Track Lays : William Talley

Helper: Ted Rhodes

IPO1

August Pawbella* GSD 93 83 96 P 272 SG Terrell Simmons
Pongo van hof ter Cammen* ROT 86 58 83 P U Marybeth Talley
Perdita van hof ter Cammen* ROT 5 55 5 I U Bill Talley

IPO2

Dora von Jontomovinch* GSD 80 84 88 P 252 G Julie Norton

FH1

Sherlock Holmes vom Haus Wooters* GSD 5 Vicki Wooters

BH

Woodrott's Sugar and Spice* ROT P Jacky Wiley
Shenandoah Isca* DUTCH P Kendra Holler

TR1

Primo du Dauchant* ROT 55 U Howard Wiley
Indigo Moons Country Bling* ROT 50 U Sandy Lehrmann

TR2

Sherlock Holmes vom Haus Wooters* GSD 100 100 V Vicki Wooters
Jagerin vom Haus Wooters* GSD 88 88 G Vicki Wooters

11/17/2018-11/18/2018 RH K9 Rangers Peach Bottom, PA

STEPHANIE DUNION, USCA

Track Layers: Linda Swenson, Melissa Stagnaro

RH1-FL

Odry von der Urbeacke* GSD 97 70 167 G Alan Brodsky

RH2-AF

Johnny vom Bernsteinal* GSD 187 95 282 SG Craig Groh

RH2-AFL

Falken Luther von GSD 195 87 282 SG Linda Swenson

RH2-BF

Kludde* MIX 182 93 275 SG Melissa Stagnaro

BH

Colt* MIX P Dante Shay

TR1

Marvelous Marvin Vom Silvano GSD 45 U Nicholas Giangiulio

11/17/2018-11/18/2018 Jefferson-St. Clair County ScH Assoc. Springville, AL

AL GOVEDNIK, USCA

Track Layer: Gary Hanrahan

Helper: Donnie Cintron

IPO1

Ezzir Gaja-Nova GSD 90 86 100 P 276 SG Kelly Ward
Zeus P MIX 85 71 70 S 226 B Benjamin Perry

IPO2

Uno von der Heidenschanze* GSD 97 95 97 P 289 V Stevo Henderson
Caine Manor Quddus Royce GSD 90 94 93 P 277 SG Jesse Cortez
Freya vom Hanrahaus GSD 82 74 86 P 242 G Loren Leffew

IPO3

Jocko de Maitre de Noir BOUV 92 84 80 P 256 G Jay Strickland
Mohawk's Rizo BMAL 75 85 80 P 240 G Paula Daigle
Sable von der Haus-Burrell GSD 71 74 84 P 229 B Gerome Burrell
Max von Hugelblick GSD John Landry

Waffle

DOG INJURED/SICK
MIX
DQ NO OUT

Chris Ray

BH

Judah vom Boeselager* GSD P Michele Jackson
Rin Tin Tin Von Der Alte Baum GSD P Mimi Barnes
Micah Starling vom Hallynn Haus* GSD P Hubert Jaundoo
Rommel vom Hanrahaus* GSD P Stewart Saldercrest
Bora Vom Bloomfield* GSD P Gerome Burrell
I.O.Kaja von Haus Rauch GSD P Clara Stevens
D-Cheyenne Xander von den Oher Jan* GSD P Hubert Jaundero
Sheba III BMAL P Benjamin Perry
Wrath of Sylvanas DOBE P Taylor Bradsher
Caesar vom Wolfhaus* GSD P Mary Webb
Amost Von Schmidthausen* GSD P Angela Snider
Savage Orrylordblack* GSD P Chesley Glassco
NHB Minion* MIX P Amanda Calderon

11/18/2018-11/18/2018 Mid-Rivers Schutzhund Club St. Peters, MO

DEBRA KRSNICH, USCA

Track Layers: Eric Beasley, Steven Farris

Helpers: Steven Farris, Brian McCauley

IPO1

Felon von Kistlerhaus GSD David Crow
DQ NO OUT

IPO2

Aero von Fallamhain* GSD Steve Gasich
DQ NO OUT

IPO3

Reno z Cagova Rajc GSD 96 86 98 P 280 SG Sean Boone
Zadar Lengy GSD 70 63 88 P M William Harper

BH

Aundi vom Alabama Canine Police K9 GSD P Rich Lees
Cobra Von Goedehaus* GSD P Nita Eichman
Bridger Der Donner-Bar* GSD P Constance Palmer
Kiara z Jukasu* GSD F Nita Eichman

APR3

Ordre Du Phenix Du Dantero* BMAL Maren Bell Jones
DQ NO OUT

11/18/2018-11/18/2018 Pacific Coast Working Dog Club Dixon, CA

ZOLTAN (ZOLI) NAGY, USCA

Track Layer: Chee K Lam

Helper: Andrew Lam

IPO1

Argo von Sontausen* GSD Chee Lam
DQ NO OUT

IPO3

Jett XXVI* GSD 90 80 60 M Kathi Glenwinkel

BH

Cronus vom Hopfenbachtal* GSD P Andrew Lam
Zen Von Der Tetiaroa* GSD F Kathi Glenwinkel

11/24/2018 - 11/24/2018 Dark Water I.P.O. Pembroke, NC

ARTHUR COLLINS, USCA

Track Layer: Herbert Lowry

Helper: Julio Hernandez

IPO3

Joop vom Nienburger Land* ROT 70 70 88 P 228 B Jorge Nieves
Waran von der Feuersaule GSD Herbert Lowry
DQ OUT OF CONTROL

BH

Yara vom Kraftwerk* GSD P Chip Hasty

APR1

Sammie AF Vijestark* BMAL 82 93 P 175 G Herbert Lowry
MadMax500* MIX 70 90 P 160 G Franklyn Ayala

11/25/2018-11/25/2018 Krieger Working Dog Club Purcell, OK
AL GOVEDNIK, USCA
Track Layer: Kyle Dill
Helper: Kyle Dill

IPO1
 Koitsenko Cair Paravel GSD 85 86 82 P 253 G Perry Settle
 Toby S BMAL Katie Settle
DQ NO OUT

BH
 Dasty Bohemia Ander GSD P Megan Pfeiffer-Smith

IPO-VO
 Genova von Manitoy BMAL 90 70 70 S 230 G Lisa Ashford

11/25/2018-11/25/2018 Inner City Working Dog Club Wrentham, MA
DON YELLE, USCA
Track Layers: Scott Carlson, Anthony Braccio
Helper: Scott Carlson

IPO1
 Aurora von Wilde Engel* GSD 76 90 86 P 252 G Heather Johnson

IPO2
 Link z Timberridge* GSD 96 77 81 P 254 G Doreen Metcalf

IPO3
 Mooshka von Linienbach* GSD 97 93 93 P 283 SG Lindsey Carlson
 Classic Vice v Easentaigh* GSCN 94 80 80 P 254 G Michelle Testa
 Flare z Timberridge* GSD 82 78 83 P 243 G Scot Hoyt

BH
 Kelenvolgyi Szuzsmakolos FRNBUL P Jeanie Crosby
 Zsebdomper casanova*
 Charlie Grenzschutz* ROT P Jun Jiang
 Katzara de Dasilva* BOUV P Richard Priest Jr
 Ede vom Felsenschloss* GSD P Theodore Robbins III

11/30/2018-12/2/2018 Scottsdale Schutzhund Club Cave Creek, AZ
ANDREA DUGGAN, USCA/GSSCC
Track Layers: Rodd Proctor, Tino Reinke
Helpers: Erin Easter, Erik Freitag

IPO1
 Tonka de Lupus Saevus* GSD 90 83 87 P 260 G Erik Freitag
 N-Yao God of War* BMAL 82 86 91 P 259 G Shawn Thompson
 Arrow van Oz* DUTCH 8 58 M Dave Pinkerton
PULLED DOG INJURED IN OB
 Tobilas Satos GSD M Teresa Gomez
 DQ

IPO2
 Gravita's A'Kya* BMAL 82 93 86 P 261 G Colette Falco

IPO3
 Aik vom Wolfssprung GSD 99 92 88 P 279 SG Rodd Proctor
 Bongo vom Brageler Moor ROT 91 80 78 P 249 G Kerrie Nolan Proctor
 Fiona vom Zigeunerhof* GSD M Erin Easter

AD
 Wuapo De Lupus Saevus* GSD P Erin Easter
 Arlow Vikar* GSD P Eilza Collins
 Xelo vom haus am GSD P Ludmila Stajduhar
 Lerchenweg*

BH
 Khaleesi von Schraderhaus II* GSD P Catherine Bunting
 Wuapo De Lupus Saevus* GSD P Erin Easter
 Harlow vom Schonwasser* GSD P Beth Rodgers
 Anubis* MIX P Emily Houk
 Awesome Blaze von DOBE P Michele Harrison
 Ryansluxus*
 Arlow Vikar* GSD P Eliza Collins
 Xelo vom haus am GSD P Ludmila Stajduhar
 Lerchenweg*
 Redyre Just a Dream* ROTT P Ryan Cambio
 Duke von Carter Haus* GSD P Will Carter
 Sunbear's Del Rio* ROT P Gail Kendall

IPO-VO
 Mirak Hampton* BOX 24 77 65 M Jowhar Karim
DQ NO OUT

11/30/2018-12/2/2018 Aztec Schutzhund Club Ramona, CA
MICHAEL CAPUTO, USCA
Track Layer: Ted Bellmyer
Helpers: Ted Bellmyer, Stetson Scribner

IPO1
 Freyja Bryant* GSD 99 83 95 P 277 SG Doug Bryant
 Kask von Ridsen Haus* GSD 97 93 86 P 276 SG Kris Taylor
 Oso * MIX 80 72 76 P 228 B Maiah Cohenca
 Ecsegpusztai Ithor* GSD Cynthia Brockway
DQ LACK OF CONTROL
 Crisis aus Dem Tal GSD Stetson Scribner
DQ LACK OF CONTROL

IPO2
 Jorry z Kraje Husitu GSD 97 86 96 P 279 SG Kris Taylor
 Caleb des Nouvelle Lune* BMAL 92 82 88 P 262 G Lisa Ann Strum
 Nora vom Hermes GSD 96 82 82 P 260 G Brenda Arao

IPO3
 Trotrosguard Alfie* GSD 98 88 90 P 276 SG Thom Payne
 Jester Wagona von GSD 98 73 90 P 261 G Marie Weller
 Weller Haus*
 Jeck de la Hutte du Berger* GSD 91 80 87 P 258 G Phil Liberatore
 Gildo v.d. Kleinen Birke* GSD 89 74 80 P 243 G Guenther Hanschke
 Gunner vom Haus GSD Jim Griffin
 Spitzenhund*
DQ FAILURE TO RELEASE

BH
 Xion von Taylorhof* GSD P Kris Taylor

11/30/2018-12/2/2018 O.G. Buckeye Schutzhund Club Seville, OH
PETER ROHDE, SV
Track Layers: David Mitchell, Dominic Scarberry, Mark Scarberry
Helpers: Mark Scarberry, Dominic Scarberry

IPO1
 Kenna von Lindesfarne* GSD 84 87 90 P 261 G Anne Mitchell
 Ury von Lindesfarne GSD 93 70 93 P 256 G Dominic Scarberry
 Cuffs vom Feuerlands* GSD 72 70 94 P 236 B Tammy Blackford
 Elsa von der Wilmothhaus* GSD 70 70 80 P 220 B Kelly Grim

IPO2
 Loki vom Hexenwald* RIEZ 100 88 92 P 280 SG Mark Scarberry
 Norah vom Landgraf* DOBE 86 73 90 P 249 G Ashley Stuckey
 Flick of the Switch "Brinks" MIX 70 84 86 P 240 G Jordan Jones

IPO3
 Baccus vom Lupus Alpha* GSD 70 80 96 P 246 G James Ackerman
 Isaac vom Schweitzergarten* ROT 83 70 74 P 227 B Michelle Toris

FH1
 Jase von Lindesfarne* GSD 82 82 Brigitte Robinson

FH2
 Graubaer's Django* BMAL 93 93 SG Thomas Shelby
 Graubaer's Django* BMAL 91 91 SG Thomas Shelby

BH
 Samson vom Wolfsdreieck* MIX P Sherlyn Olsen
 Janet Barnero* GSD P Ashleigh Olsen
 Vedi von Lindesfarne* GSD P Trish Sansbury
 Wycked von Lindesfarne* GSD P Trish Sansbury
 Ace von der Mumaw* GSD P Nick Mumaw
 Piper vom Royale* GSD P Sarah Blesch

TR2
 Maverick von de GSD 92 92 SG Deb Jones
 Sleghtebruute*

APR3
 Egon von Haus Rose* GSD 78 73 P 151 G Kimi Funakoshi

Trial Results

12/1/2018-12/1/2018 ARTHUR COLLINS, USCA Track Layer: Courtney Stephenson Helper: Joshua Gilman	Coastal Carolina SchH Club	Hubert, NC	12/7/2018-12/8/2018 HANNES EITLER, SV Track Layers: Antonis Stylianou, Paige Ayling Helpers: Chris Parsons, Antonis Stylianou	Flint Hills Working Dogs	Junction City, KS
IPO1 Anya von der Deutschen Einheit GSD <i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>		Courtney Stephenson	IPO1 Yoshi vom Rhodes* GSD 90 87 80 P 257 G Expat's Avro Arrow* BMAL 70 88 93 P 251 G		Hillary Rowley-Weiss Peggy Shaver
IPO2 Brit vom Haus Hall* GSD 80 78 77 P 235 B		Patti Baysden	IPO2 S-Rocco von der Alte Baum* GSD 40 81 80 P U		Patrick Edmunds
BH Xena Vom Newmanhaus BMAL P		Jonathan Wrigley	IPO3 Nante vom Metterursprung* GSD 90 80 96 P 266 G Finn vom Harztor* GSD 96 74 93 P 263 G Rigg von der Alte Baum* GSD 87 83 90 P 260 G Talané's Twilight Astonishing Aerabella* DOBE 80 70 80 P 230 B		Mose Huggis Robin Ayling Joe Gibbs Tammy Rush
OB1 Reese Arctan Gilman* ROT 88 88 G		Joshua Gilman	BH Richi's Eros* GSD P Kawikani of Cross O Ranch* ROT P Talané's Go Gettem Grisha vom Koby Haus* DOBE P Vitto vom Vertrauen* GSD P Elara's Cool Breeze* DOBE P Pogba* CANIB P Deacon vom Roten Sturm* BMAL P		Sabine Woods Lamar Ware Tammy Rush Leonard Lewis Robert Weddle Danny Petersen Michele Morris
12/1/2018-12/1/2018 CRAIG GROH, USCA/SV Track Layers: Sonia Bincarousky Helper: Julio Hernandez	Sandhills Working Dog Club	Lillington, NC	12/8/2018-12/8/2018 ARTHUR COLLINS, USCA Track Layer: Tanya Yost Helper: Ricardo Vazquez	Schutzhund Club of San Antonio	San Antonio, TX
IPO1 Breaka vom Draufganger* GSD 88 86 93 P 267 G Plys Bjorn vom Weiland* GSD 62 80 95 P M Ausdauer vom Blitz* MIX <i>DQ OUT OF CONTROL</i>		Holly Hayek Melanie Thystrup-Godfrey Stephanie Valentin	IPO1 Kojo vom Germelhaus* GSD 97 88 81 P 266 G Absolut Ziyah vom Parabellum's Big Bang v Goldshield* ROT 87 53 <i>TERM W/N ENGAGE HELPER IN BLIND</i>		Cheryl Brown Krystina Boozer Terri White
IPO3 Otchi vom Warringhof* DOBE 94 94 96 P 284 SG Bee vom Haus Hansen* GSD 97 93 88 P 278 SG Jadda von Risden Haus* GSD 76 88 81 P 245 G		Scott Severs Greg Mominee Terri Short	FH1 Mechberger QQUU* BMAL 15 <i>TERM LEFT TRACK</i>		Jerrett Harris
BH Ashtronaut of Riverrun Farms* GSD P Sullivan Station Sq Stocks* BMAL P Jenny* MIX P Reeves' Lil' Miss Artemis of Horsley* MIX P Maddie Vom Big Rock* GSD P Chaos Vom Kriegshund-Zug* GSD F		Tobias Wilkie Allison Stocks Cathy Alexander Sandra Reeves Rebecca Prow Melanie Thystrup-Godfrey	FH2 Houston von Elberfeld* GSCN 10 <i>TERM LEFT TRACK</i>		Kathy Poppe
12/3/2018-12/3/2018 VADIM PLOTSKER, USCA Track Layer: Waine Singleton Helpers: Waine Singleton, Neil Blankenbuehler	T.O.P. Working Dog Club	Labelle, FL	AD Cudo Vom Sudenblick* GSD P		Tanya Yost
IPO1 D'Wildcat 16130* BMAL 84 92 96 P 272 SG O BoJangles af Viljestark GSD 55 80 91 P M Higg von Melanchthon* GSD 6 48 61 I M Callie Teresa von Shelzmidé* GSD 80 70 M <i>TERM</i> Valkyrie aus Gerstbrei* GSD 84 61 M <i>TERM</i>		Samantha Adams Robert Cochran Tom Tapley Debbie Lopez Cris Doss	BH Cudo Vom Sudenblick* GSD P Kraken vom Sudenblick* GSD P Harley van Meerhout* GSD P Altitude's Lord Vader* GSD P Bruno vom Sudenblick* GSD F		Tanya Yost Tanya Yost Ricardo Vazquez Terri White Brooke Saldana
IPO2 Richard Parker* BMAL 96 80 87 P 263 G Waylon von Hugelblick* GSD 87 74 80 P 241 G		Angie Stark Jessie Blankenbuehler	APR1 Rollo vom Kelly Creek* GSD 70 80 P 150 G		Sandra Seidel
IPO3 Lux God of War* BMAL 87 92 92 P 271 SG Epo vom Adlerschrei* GSD 50 82 85 P M		Dan Beitelscheis Phil Crittenden	12/8/2018-12/8/2018 DON YELLE, USCA Track Layer: John Marinos Helper: John Marinos	Mid Island Schutzhund Club	Plainview, NY
BH Kyra Bar Vom Schneefall* GSD P Daenerys di Fraioli* GSD P Xenzi Pink von Hugelblick* GSD P Full Caliber von Hugelblick* GSD P Gibbs vom Hanrahaus* GSD P Kiara Kenola* GSD P Dutch P* MIX P		Lisa Keifer Beth Fraioli Neil Blankenbuehler Connie Lindqvist Amber Fort Marcus Chantack Vince Perkins	IPO2 Arthur Lopez vom Burmeister* GSD 50 73 85 P M Tengo vom Salztalblick GSD <i>DQ DID NOT OUT</i>		Pete McGinn Alfonso Figueroa
			BH KC Major Vom Eichenluft* GSD P Bella vom Empier Glauner* GSD P Bona von Buren* GSD P Diablo von Jontomovinch* GSD P Georgeous Garbo vom Koby* DOBE P		Neil Hecht Tom Glauner Alfonso Figueroa Joseph Mullady Patrick Ponce

D&C'S Bravo* BMAL P Olga Baram
 Pridenjoyz Triple Play* GSD P Laura Ann Dubecky
 Warrior v. Valesca's Home* BMAL P Howard Sherak
 Barlow Vom Kraftwerk* GSD F William Pirozzi
 Bianca vom Secreti Haus* ROT F Kevin Livingston

OB1
 Bruno vom Calvario* ROT 83 83 G Phil Hathaway
 Jerilyn Blackwaters Pindar Bewitched* DOBE 78 78 B John Marinos

TR1
 Jerilyn Blackwaters Pindar Bewitched* DOBE 77 77 B John Marinos

12/8/2018-12/8/2018 Placer County Schutzhund Club Lincoln, CA
USCA/SV ANN MARIE CHAFFIN
Track Layers: John Riboni
Helper: David Demarco

IPO2
 Kalimero Anrebri* GSD 95 92 93 P 280 SG Paul Johnson
 Iza vom Valkyre* GSD 88 90 90 P 268 G Micky Adams

BH
 Meiko Von GSD P Don Dusart
 Charlie Clan Campbell* GSD P Irina Gibson
 Abiquiu von den Eulen* GSD P Celia Hulett
 Dango vom Haus Bergblick GSD P Yvoone Emanuelsson

12/8/2018-12/9/2018 Phoenix Schutzhund Club Peoria, AZ
WILLIE J POPE, JR, USCA/SV
Track Layers: Judi Peters, Wayne Walcott
Helper: Erin Easter

IPO3
 Caleb des Nouvelle Lune* BMAL 87 91 91 P 269 G Lise Ann Strum

FH1
 Brava von der GSD 22 M Cindy Payne

BH
 Brock z Daskonu* GSD F Judi Peters

TR1
 Otzi De Lupus Saevus* GSD 88 88 G Cindy Payne

12/8/2018-12/9/2018 Way Out West Schutzhund Club Delhi, CA
HEIDI THEIS, USCA
Track Layers: Joel Monroe, Donald R Brooks, Lori Lippincott
Helpers: Jose Curiel, Gawin Intawong

UPR1
 Ruby Thompson* DOBE 76 76 B Shirley Thompson

IPO1
 Slayer vom Scharzerald* ROTT 96 89 96 P 281 SG Joel Monroe
 Gogo Barnero* GSD 91 87 96 P 274 SG Peter Harrington
 Boris vom Nebeltal* GSD 86 86 98 P 270 SG Gawin Intawong
 Bona aus dem Tal* GSD 90 86 82 P 258 G Megan Barnes
 Elton von Conneforde* GSD 92 72 90 P 254 G Jon Pleitez
 Heinz z Timberridge* GSD 81 78 91 P 250 G Cindy Joe
 Bogey vom Spiegelbild* GSD 61 70 88 P M Sally Brown
 Dark Felones* GSD Michael Fisher

DQ DOG BIT HELPER
 Ipolani von der Westkuste GSD Megan Barnes
DQ OUT OF CONTROL

IPO3
 Bronx vom Nebeltal* GSD 95 88 88 P 271 SG Sherrie Balconi

FH1
 Abira vom Nebeltal* GSD 99 99 V Lori Lippincott

FH2
 Santo vom Donau-Ries GSD 82 82 G Donald Brooks

BH
 Kain von der Staatsmacht* GSD P Sherrie Balconi
 Kara Aus Dem Tal* GSD P Amy Hernandez

TR1
 Falco Barnero* GSD 72 72 B Peter Harrington

12/8/2018-12/9/2018 Wolf River Schutzhund Club Moscow, TN
ANDREA DUGGAN, USCA/GSSCC
Track Layers: Ally Smith, Carl Smith
Helper: Carl Smith

IPO1
 Never vom Landgraf* DOBE 88 71 85 P 244 G Carma Cleveland

IPO2
 Dia vom Heinolf* GSD 71 78 76 S 225 B Daren Olson
 Nitro vom Kimberhund* GSD 90 64 M Lorelei Sims
HANDLER ILL

IPO3
 Casa Creeks Caedon vom Banholzer* GSD 97 81 93 P 271 SG Carol Banholzer
 Esmonds Eragon* ROT 78 78 88 P 244 G Chrystal Freeman
 Max von Hugelblick* GSD M John Landry

BH
 Ayax* GSD P Carl Smith
 Beluga Vom Feuergarten GSD P Alexis Roy
 Gaja Von Tajetosz GSD P Gerald Trayner
 Bryan's Ruger* GSD P Jeannie Bryan

TR3
 Sadie O* MIX 73 73 B Tammie Olson

12/8/2018-12/9/2018 Black River Working Dogs Angier, NC
AL GOVEDNIK, USCA
Track Layer: Dr. Dawn Flood
Helper: Brandon Jenson

IPO1
 Python la Maschera di Ferro* BMAL 95 84 91 P 270 SG Sonia Bincarousky
 Vivere Con Gusto* BMAL 88 80 90 P 258 G Lisa Johnson
 Brina vom Aveyhaus* GSD 87 83 82 P 252 G Leslie Avey
 Isabella von Bullenfeld* ROT 76 74 73 S 223 B Vivian Case
 S-Argos vom Haus Dyer* BMAL 78 67 91 P M Ashleigh Derrickson
 Treasure Seeker's Black DOBE 83 66 82 P M Leslie Carpenter

IPO2
 Chef vom Sternentor* GSD 97 95 96 P 288 V Gary McGillivery

IPO3
 Bee vom Haus Hansen* GSD 94 84 92 P 270 SG Greg Mominee
 Esoteric's Mississippi Dixie Lady* AST 76 90 64 P M Sonia Bincarousky

BH
 Jasper Z Atarova Sadu* GSD P Dawn Flood
 Nelli Benelli von Hanrahaus* GSD P LaDonna Wilson
 Vasco Ze Stribmeho Kamene GSD P Thomas Flood
 Hero Zde-Sko* GSD P Martin Gnyp
 Kiton von Coley Haus* GSD P Ute Austin
 Vivere Con Gusto* BMAL P Lisa Johnson
 El Nina von Wyndmoor* GSD P Linda Small
 Casey vom Wilson Haus* GSD F LaDonna Wilson
 Loki R* MIX F Adam Ryals

TR1
 Baghira vom Bloomfield* GSD 92 92 SG Britney Pelletier

APR2
 MadMax500* MIX 90 88 178 Franklyn Ayala

Trial Results

12/9/2018-12/9/2018 Keystone-Buckeye Hundesport Klub, LLC Gibsonia, PA
NIKKI BANFIELD, USCA
 Track Layer: Gustavo Sanchez
 Helper: Gustavo Sanchez

IPO1
 Arsun vom Haus Bloodmoon GSD 90 80 93 P 263 G Samantha Pankratz
 Derek von Bachbett BOX 100 86 70 S 256 G Deena Fries
 Alta-Tollhaus Icon GSD 91 72 84 P 247 G Jody Huber
 Tiki von der Tetiaroa GSD 94 65 88 P M Alyson Dunlop

IPO2
 Chap Haus Juris GSD 94 64 70 P M Gayle Kirkwood

BH
 Alta-Tollhaus Emoji GSD P Jody Huber

FPR1
 D-Nala vom Kirchenwald GSD 80 80 G Martha Sullivan

12/15/2018-12/15/2018 Wild West Working Dogs El Paso, TX
ROBERT JOHANTGEN, USCA
 Track Layer: Wilfredo Serrano
 Helper: Wilfredo Serrano

IPO1
 Bodidley van Zwart On The Rio Grande* BMAL 75 85 P M Dennis Mitchell
 Kabuki vom Barkerhaus* GSD 4 50 I Julie Acevas
TERM CAME OFF SLEEVE, AVOID
 Schneider's John Barabbas Dillinger 117 GSD Tiffany Schneider
DQ LEFT HANDLER FROM LONG BITE POSITION

IPO2
 Boss v. Barkerhaus* GSD 75 70 62 P M Angie Morgan

BH
 Max (Prati)* MIX P Robert Prati
 Merci K MIX F Julia Krampe

APR1
 Lakai Sherlock* GSD 70 74 P 144 B Jim Morgan

12/15/2018-12/15/2018 Cypress Working Dogs Lafayette, LA
USCA ROBIN AYLING
 Track Layer: Gino Carreras
 Helper: Jonathan Clark

IPO1
 Quincy Perle de Tourbiere BMAL 70 66 91 P M Dreagan Sinegal

IPO2
 Negress Felina vom Spitzzenhund* GSD Kathryn Richard
DQ NO OB

BH
 Camelot's Great Stone Dragon "Stoney"* GSD P Lauren Clark
 Bruna vom Avoyelles* GSD P Darryl Mandeville

OB1
 LKB Mein Hansel Black Beauty* GSD 70 70 B Lori Black

12/15/2018-12/16/2018 Bay Area Schutzhund Club Fremont, CA
KAREN MACINTYRE, USCA
 Track Layer: Ajay Singh
 Helper: Jose Curiel

IPO1
 Valentina vom Patiala GSD 92 85 83 P 260 G Bruce Bowman
 Annie vom Roten Wald* GSD 70 72 73 215 Karen Wolff
 Fredi von der Eisspitzen GSD 81 88 P M Amy Nagy
 Alpha Sascha vom Caldera GSD 88 60 80 P M Seet Thang
 Addi vom Haus Denfors K9* GSD Seet Thang
DQ NO OUT DUMBELL

IPO3
 Gonzo Togaricha* GSD 90 85 90 P 265 G Victor Armendariz
 Hannelore vom Mack- GSD 90 77 94 P 261 G Jennifer Sutrick

BH
 Annie von der Ostgrenze GSD P Ajay Singh
 Xcalibur vom Donau-Ries GSD P Kay Anderson

APR1
 Apfel Bach's Clotilda Lavender Girl GSCN 80 87 P 167 G Phillip Marquand

12/15/2018-12/16/2018 DFW Working Dogs Dallas, TX
CARLA GRIFFITH, USCA/SV
 Track Layers: Randall Hoadley, Martin Barrow
 Helper: James Sarpy

IPO1
 Brimwylf Excalibur* GSD 71 71 84 P 226 B Elena Black

IPO2
 Clyde von Tagetosz* GSD 97 87 86 P 270 SG Terry Hall
 Lilith vom Rebel Yelle* GSD 25 85 84 P M Alexandra Anderson

IPO3
 Inigo von den Wannaer GSD 96 96 94 P 286 V Randall Hoadley
 Mecberger QQUU BMAL 96 88 84 P 268 G Jerrett Harris
 Kwebbel T Pamaleinhof GSD 97 78 81 P 256 G Gary Mitchell

AD
 Nero von Hanrahaus GSD P Quentin Blackwell

BH
 Brimwylf Evrr GSD P Louise Jollyman
 Maximus De Aleyamma DOBE P Lijo John

OB1
 C-Wire von den Sturmfalken* GSD 82 82 G Angelyn Leonberger

APR1
 Ruckus vom Rheinland* GSD 88 84 P 172 G Elena Black
 Kaiser B* MIX Melissa Barboa
TERM LEFT HELPER

12/16/2018-12/16/2018 West Coast SchH Club - Regional Fontana, CA
LOTHAR QUOLL, SV

AD
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 Gemma von Schatten* GSD P Serri Henry
 Kol vom Wuestenberger Land GSD P Ariana Afshar
 Ramon ze Skalnego Wzgorza GSD P Marina Gomborg
 Ursa des Lupus Saevus* GSD P Richard Rosen

12/29/2018-12/30/2018 Mid-Ohio Schutzhund Richwood, OH
DON YELLE, USCA
 Track Layer: Jim Alloway
 Helpers: Dominic Scarberry, Jake Lawrence

IPO1
 Athos Marsyas Bohemian GSD 99 93 90 P 282 SG Tanya Alloway
 Ronja von der Staatsmacht GSD 81 73 90 P 244 G Jacob Lawrence

IPO3
 Loki vom Hexenwald* RIEZ 96 90 93 P 279 SG Mark Scarberry

BH
 Disney von den Oher Tannen* GSD P Gene Kopaygorodsky

TR2
 Isabella v Schweitzergarten* ROT 84 84 G Stan Rozdeba

APR1
 Xaos* MIX 87 86 P 173 G Elizabeth Liss

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Chaz von Wilhendorf V1 Sara Zimmermann
Ethan von Korlser See V2 Andrzej Nieradko
Psycho von Bad Boll V3 Usman Rashad

Working Dog Class Females
Onja von Wilhendorf V1 John Henkel
Vanta von der Burg Haidstein V2 Robert Frampton

Adult Dog Class Males
Silver von Bad Boll SG1 Usman Rashad
Zeljko vom Pendlar SG2 Bruce Spotton
Arut von der Artur SG3 Artur Ayriyan

Adult Dog Class Females
Maxine aus der Neuen Hauffstrasse SG1 Janine Kober
Y-Alina vom Hismerh SG2 Artur Ayriyan
Fee vom Wiler Berg SG3 Brian Hanely

Young Dog Class Males
Kojak von Wilhendorf SG1 John Henkel

Young Dog Class Females
Jackie von Wilhendorf SG1 John Henkel
Calista vom Pendlar SG2 Mike LaBarbera
Baila vom Pendlar SG3 Brian Tighe

Youth Dog Class Males
Wianecka's Rocky SG1 Aleksandra Wianecka

Youth Dog Class Females
Bindi vom Xaver Haus SG1 Robert Frampton
Arma von der Artur SG2 Artur Ayriyan

Veteran Class Males
Yego aus der neuen Hauffstraße V1 Robert Frampton

Working Dog Class Males Long Coat
Cash vom Arkanum V1 Rob Almeida

2018 Southeast Regional Conformation Show
10/27/2018-10/28/2018 Piedmont Schutzhund Club Claremont, NC
HERR RAINER MAST, SV

Working Dog Class Males
Luke von den Oher Tannen V1 Nadia Adams
Fanto von Farhantal V2 Amel Sefer
Kroso von Media V3 Arnaud Davis
Yankee von Kaltwasser V4 Jackie Camp
Raikkonen von der Tetiaroa V5 Daniel Dupree
Aneirin von Sukee SG1 Alison Bentley
Awesome Tiger vom Littlewood SG2 Holly Hayek
Brit vom Haus Hall SG3 Michael Meadows
Arek vom Hundenarr SG4 Julio Hernandez

Working Dog Class Females
Orania von den Oher Tannen V1 Nadia Adams
Barca vom Zellwaldrand V2 Dr Joseph Picone
Sieglinde vom Zellwaldrand V3 Jess Morrissey
Prima von den Oher Tannen V4 Nadia Adams
Katy von Schloss Berge V5 James Abbey
Nina von Vereinigte Stolz V6 Julie Harnage

Adult Dog Class Males
Newton von den Oher Tannen SG1 Stephanie Beasley
Finn vom Schonwasser SG2 Benjamin Maez

Adult Dog Class Females
Flirt vom Zwillingshaus SG1 Shannon O'Donovan
Lucy vom Haus Lucnt SG2 Edmund Dee
Gitte vom Team Hühnegrab SG3 Gena Edwards
Eni von Marbo Wolf SG4 Judy Chacon

Young Dog Class Males
Mason vom Rotenmund SG1 Stephanie Williams
Cai Kevin Timeless SG2 Hatem Aly
Ivan Grozny J European K9 Training Base SG4 JoBeth Liddle

Young Dog Class Females
Dala vom Team Valtenberg SG1 Walter Monroe
Olivia vom Nobleheim SG2 Kim Akers
Desdemona von den Oher Tannen SG3 Nadia Adams
Raven From the Southland SG4 Richard Shook
Voice Von Walshagen G1 Jay Tullis
Carmel von Savannah G2 Richard Stem Jr

Youth Dog Class Males
Jet von Picone SG1 Dr Joseph Picone
Yankee aus Gerstbrei SG2 Cheryl Mathis
Kaleo Leryka SG3 Sina Smith

Youth Dog Class Females
Hatchet vom Zwillingshaus SG1 Shannon O'Donovan
Xyla von Rikah-Haus SG2 Tyson Starks
Fergie von den Oher Tannen SG3 Michelle Owens
Morchella vom Wasserrand SG4 Gina Valetutti
Tahja SG5 Theresa Bailey
Mia vom Haus Chacon SG6 Judy Chacon
Alice de Simague SG7 Marta Robowsky
Elsa von Wolfenwald SG8 Jason Mills
Bree vom Haus Baysden SG9 Patricia Baysden

Veteran Class Males
Polo von Arlett V1 Jess Morrissey
Negus vom Friedlander Land V2 Gina Valetutti

Adult Dog Class Females Long Coat
Wasabi von Arlett SG1 Elena Ortiz
Telsa vom Hühnegrab SG2 Frances Jones
Emma zum Turmacher SG3 Augusto Deoliveria

Adult Dog Class Males Long Coat
Quosty vom Wolkenstein SG1 Jessica Boisvert
Chaco z Heydlowego Wzgorza SG2 Wendy Smith
Black ADI SG3 Shari Monroe

Youth Dog Class Males Long Coat
Lenkbar Amadeus Burg SG1 Cassandra West
Bronson Team di Casa Ortiz SG2 Kai Pittarelli

Working Dog Class Males Long Coat
Ando vom Haus Theobald V1 Elena Ortiz
Cyrus vom Team Barrett SG1 Jana Gabrysch

Working Dog Class Female Long Coat
Venetia vom Godinghofer Weg V1 Elena Ortiz
Alma vom Borniger-Dreick V2 Elena Ortiz

Young Dog Class Female Long Coat
Janet von der Kocaeli SG1 Tammy Goshorn
Raina aus Mecklenburg SG2 Melissa Ruffner
Qitana aus Mecklenburg SG3 Wendy Smith

Young Dog Class Male Long Coat
Yankee vom Klausener Grund SG1 Elena Ortiz
Garin vom Gradyhaus SG2 Kelly Wiegand

Veteran Class Male Long Coat
Bellamie vom Praester Land V1 Elena Ortiz

Trial Results

2018 South Central Regional Conformation Show
12/1/2018-12/2/2018 Austin Schutzhund Club
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Austin, TX

2018 Southwestern Regional Conformation Show
12/16/2018-12/16/2018 West Coast Schutzhund Club
LOTHAR QUOLL, SV

Fontana, CA

Working Dog Class Males

Dasty Emsi-Haus V1
Eros vom Wolfsbruch V2
Nelson vom Haus Tchorz V3
Ursus vom Kimberlin-Dey Haus V4
Bacchus von den Oher Tannen V5
Baxter vom Sakral V6
Ingo von Taylorhof V7

Terry Gimpel
Shirley McMnn
Haythem Dawlett
Aimee Romero
Nadia Adams
Cherie Flores
Jessica Vampola

Working Dog Class Females

Karma von der Rheinhalde V1
Image von der RNR Ranch CAT V2
Wynn von der Otto V3
Imani von der Piste Trophe V4
Xora van Meerhout V5
Dena Mae's Ybajo USA V6
Athena von Adelmo SG1
Whiskey von Aleman SG2

Jessica Harrison
Jessica Harrison
Tia Otto
Debra Kohler
Jessy Gabriel
Trang Luu
Cindi Etheridge
Raul Aleman

Young Dog Class Males

Rajko vom Nobleheim SG1
Doxx von den Oher Tannen G1

Gina Schmidt
Julia Kviatkovskaya

Young Dog Class Females

Hatchet z Weberhaus SG1
Dixie vom Fleischerheim III SG2

Shannon O'Donovan
David McNeal

Youth Dog Class Males

Aegon vom Darzo Buserhaus S1
C-Hahns vom Haus Kaiser SG1
Sindbad vom Larchenhain SG2
Tsarkis z Weberhaus SG3

Krystina Boozer
Terri Daugherty
Tia Otto
Courtney Griffith

Youth Dog Class Females

Cora vom Silberwald SG1
Adelheid von Darzo SG2
Axyrna vom Darzo-Buserhaus G1
Atorra von Darzo G2

Monika Spruell
Cindi Etheridge
Diana Dennis
Laney LeJeune

Veteran Class Males

Whisky von der Wasserkuppe 1

Larry Vinzant

Youth Dog Class Females Long Coat

Usoa vom Quartier Latin SG1
Dahl vom Haus Kaiser SG2

Karen Bartosh
Terri Daugherty

Working Dog Class Males Long Coat

Vestus vom Schloß Rugland V1

Karen Bartosh

Working Dog Class Female Long Coat

Xindi di Casa Pileci V1

Karen Bartosh

Young Dog Class Male Long Coat

Wolfram von der Otto G1

Kimberly Balega

Working Dog Class Males

Gamboa von Wa-Bo V1
Like v Marlu V2
Gayville's Pepe V3
Bush di Zenevredo V4
Thor Degli Achei V5
Enzo vom Kieslicher-Hof V6
Hinko di Val D'Anzin V7
Ramon ze Skalnego Wzgorza SG1
Finn McCool vom Haus Courtland SG2
Sky von Danubius SG3
Trotsoguard Alfie SG4

Working Dog Class Females

Naomi vom Bastaw V1
Lea von Legends Burg V2
Oshi van Blutsenhof SG1
Ursa des Lupus Saevus G1

Adult Dog Class Males

D-Boone von Salerno A1
Axel v Pauklenschlag A2
Shampion SG1
Kol vom Wuestenberger Land SG2

Adult Dog Class Females

Inka v. Paukenschlag SG1
Gemma von Schatten SG2

Young Dog Class Males

Mailo od Tiganjice SG1
Dutch von Wnguyen SG2
Jetter d.i. Casa Winduris SG3

Young Dog Class Females

Hatchet vom Zwillingshaus SG1
Lucky d. Casa Abella SG2
Hanna vom Haus Nouchko SG3
Zarah v. haus Dixel SG4
Elisha v. Silvalacus SG5

Youth Dog Class Males

Fanto v.d. Sandsteinkute SG1
Matteo von Salerno SG2

Youth Dog Class Females

F-Nala v Vesa SG1
Basta Animarn SG2
Sayla II SG3

Adult Dog Class Males Long Coat

Maxywhd A1

Youth Dog Class Males Long Coat

Bomba v Legends Team V1
Titus vom Hesperia-Land SG1
Morales Chase SG2

Youth Dog Class Females Long Coat

F-Kiara v Murolo SG1

Working Dog Class Female Long Coat

V. Chickhoff Uria V1

Young Dog Class Female Long Coat

V. Chickhoff Walda SG1

Young Dog Class Male Long Coat

Maksim von Salerno SG1

Yieng Lou
Javier Mondragon
Angel Nicanor
Rachelle Salerno
Bernadino Orozco
Victor Martin
Rene Santiago
Marina Gumberg
Teresa Cowart
Nelli Racsko
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Ariana Afshar

Adam Taki
Serri Henry

Roman Farias
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Shannon O'Donovan
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Mision Tubac

Amber Chrystal

Nichole Anderson

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10.12.18 Scharferhund SchH Club
2018 Northeastern Regional Conformation Show
Kormeister: Jans-Peter Schweimer, SV

Hundin

Vanta v.d. Burg Haidstein, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Janine Kober
Netti vom Billberg, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Joseph Mariduena

10.28.18 Piedmont SchH Club
Kormeister: Herr Rainer Mast, SV

Rude

Kroso von Media, IPO3	BSR: Lifetime	Arnaud Davis
Quantum Pacco von der Ybajo Hoeve, IPO2	BSR: 2019/2020	Elena Ortiz
Yankee von Kaltwasser, IPO3	BSR: 2019/2020	Jackie Camp
Arek vom Hundenarr, IPO3	BSR: 2019/2020	Julio Hernandez
Awesome Tiger vom Littlewood, IPO3	BSR: 2019/2020	Holly Hayek
Raikkonen von der Tetiaroa, IPO	BSR: 2019/2020	Daniel Dupree

Hundin

Brit vom Haus Hall, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Michael Meadows
Prima von den Oher Tannen, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Nadia Adams
Nina von Vereinigte Stolz, IPO2	BSR: 2019/2020	Paul Harnage
Juliette von der Oher Tannen, IPO2	BSR: Lifetime	Nadia Adams
Katy von Schloss Berge, IPO3	BSR: Lifetime	James Abbey

11.18.18 Southern New Hampshire Working Dog Club
Kormeister: Heidi Theis, USCA

Rude

Jaecar vom Mack-Zwinger, IPO2	BSR: 2019/2020	Karen MacIntyre
Maverick von Taylorhof, IPO3	BSR: 2019/2020	Elizabeth Lindblom
Taro von Wegborn, IPO2	BSR: 2019/2020	Zane Daggett
Balto av Garm Haus, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Kjersti Daabakk
Aldo vom Burmeister, IPO3	BSR: 2019/2020	Ronny Burmer
V Chickhoff Vigor, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Sandy Howland

Hundin

Zelda von Sterling, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Gloria Novak
Greer vom Mack-Zwinger, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Karen MacIntyre
Fire vom Quellwasser, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	John Sluss
Freedom vom Wiggins Schloss, IPO3	BSR: Lifetime	Zane Daggett
Fallon von der Rennbahn, IPO2	BSR: Lifetime	Sierra Collings
Ailo av Garm Haus, IPO3	BSR: Lifetime	Kjersti Daabakk

12.01.18 Austin SchH Club
Kormeister: Friedrich Gerstenberg, SV
South Central Region

Rude

Ursus vom Kimberlin-Dey Haus, IPO2	BSR: Lifetime	Aimee Romero
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Hundin

Dena Mae's Ybajo, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Trang Lu
Olgana von der Friedrichskluft, IPO1	BSR: 2019/2020	Terri Daugherty
Imani von der Piste Trophe, IPO3	BSR: Lifetime	Debra Kohler
Indy vom Heralmborg, IPO2	BSR: Lifetime	Tia Otto
Xindi di Casa Pileci, IPO3	BSR: Lifetime	Karen Bartosh
June zum kolbenguß, IPO2	BSR: Lifetime	Karen Bartosh

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All SV judges requests must be submitted at least 6 months in advance of the event to ensure all paperwork can be authorized. NO exceptions to the WUSV/SV rule of 8 weeks can be made if the deadline is not met.

Cancellations must be received in writing two-months prior to the event. ***All request forms must include valid Visa or Master Card credit card information to pay SV fees.***



Club Name: _____ Region: _____

- Schutzhund Trial Breed Survey Breed Show AD Seminar Other _____
(explain)
- We will accept SV Assignment
- We request SV Judge: _____
- We have secured SV Judge: _____

Closest or most convenient airport:

To the SV Judge: _____ To your Club: _____

Person picking up the Judge: _____

Event Date *(Listed in order of preference)*

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Share with which club:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Special Requests *(Please list any special requests such as English speaking, area preferences, time of travel, etc)*

Signature *(Two Club Officers must sign)*

We fully understand that the *Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV)* of Germany will make the final selections of SV Judges and that this request is subject to the approval of the SV and our Regional Director.

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