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"a pointing dog club"

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# President's Message

Dear Fellow Members,

We had a great barbeque and training day at Gryphon Ranch. Thank you to Jim Ptak for his excellent grilling job. Everyone got some great training done with their dogs at this wonderful facility. Thank you to everyone who showed up. The turnout was good but unfortunately not good enough to do elections. We will plan to do elections at the banquet later in the year. If you are interested in volunteering for a position, don't hesitate to contact me.

As we close out this year and begin to focus on the hunting season that is just around the corner, won't you take a minute and send me your ideas for events for next year that you would like to attend. You can reach me at (253) 208-5269 or on e-mail at [whoadog@q.com](mailto:whoadog@q.com). Our plan is to have these on a handout for the Sportsman's show in January in addition to creating a new sign that clarifies the mission for GSBDA. "Come and join today and get the knowledge and know-how to train your own bird dog" Several people at the picnic talked about having more training days next year. If you are interested, please contact me. We were thinking possibly about having another training day in late September if there was sufficient interest so let me know what you would like to do.

We would also like to get some updated pictures from your hunting trips with maybe a brief comment or story to include at the Sportsman's Show booth and on our website. The pictures on the website and in the book at the booth really need to be updated. Please send these to Carol Ptak at [carol@gryphonranch.com](mailto:carol@gryphonranch.com) or call her at 360 736 0674 or mail them to 1760 Lincoln Creek Road, Rochester, WA 98579. Carol can scan any hard copy photos and send the originals back to you.

I am pleased to announce that Mike Smith continues to hold onto the Kopenski Cup again for the spring. Congratulations Mike. Mike and his dogs are a great example of what is possible when you are consistent in spending some time training.

This fall Val and I will be working with the Fort to try and build a better line of communication for land use. Last year we had some issues with our dates being received by the fort on time even though we had submitted them on time. We know how hard it is when people are planning on coming to a trial only to have it canceled at the last minute. This is a high priority for us.

As I said, hunting season is right around the corner. We have included the GSBDA membership list in this newsletter to encourage people to connect for hunting and training.

Well I guess that is all for now. Remember to stay safe, train your dog, and enjoy the upcoming hunting season!

**Ron Trask**  
**President**

## Correction from last newsletter

The Sportsman's Award was won by Judy AND Gary Weitenhagen. Gary was inadvertently missed. Congratulations and a sincere big THANK YOU to both Gary and Judy for their continued dedicated service with the banquet and meals at the trial.

The editor regrets the error.

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**Birds for Sale**

Great training birds for starting a pup or putting the final touches on a green broke dog.

Tibetan quail are \$5 each.

Pheasant - chicks, started and fully mature - call for current availability and pricing.

Call for special pricing for larger quantities. NPIP approved. Call (360) 736 0674

**FREE Space Available for YOUR ad**

New litter of pups? Looking for a stud dog? Have a dog available at stud?

Looking for a carpool to out of town NSTRA events?

Advertise in the GSBDA newsletter and website for no charge - another membership benefit. Just contact Carol Ptak at carol@gryphonranch.com or (360) 736-0674 to have it included in the next newsletter.

**Greater Seattle  
Bird Dog Association  
Membership Application**

“A Pointing Dog Club”

GSBDA is a working club. Each member will be expected to volunteer at least one event per year.  
\$30.00 for the rest of the year/per family

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As you wish them to appear on the address label—one line please)

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZipCode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers (with area code): Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a NSTRA member: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Breeds of dogs you own/Train \_\_\_\_\_

Your Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

What would you like to see, do or get from GSBDA? \_\_\_\_\_

What areas can you volunteer for to help GSBDA? \_\_\_\_\_

**Make your checks payable to: GSBDA**

Mail to:

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