



West Coast German Shepherd SC
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2007
Invitational Work Week
Event Program





From the President;

On behalf of the members of the West Coast German Shepherd SC, I extend a heartfelt welcome to all of you.

This event is very special to us here in the WCGSSC because it highlights the tradition of contributing to the sport. It is our way to honour all of those who encouraged us, taught us, aided us, promoted us and who donated their time to help us understand the beauty of the sport. They did this simply for the love of the sport, without reservation and without a price. To that end, we in the WCGSSC, all donate our valuable time from our work and our families to host this event annually.

The members of the West Coast club believe strongly in the tradition of sharing their training with others who are interested, to improve the sport in the way it is presented and perceived. We believe that sharing our success and knowledge will encourage others and promote a positive perception of the training, competing and breeding of working dogs. It is a tradition that we want to promote and to pass on. We do it to preserve the true heart of the sport.

A special welcome and a heart felt thank you to all of the business partners that have stepped up to support the event. Corporate partnerships and dedicated volunteers are key to the success and the future of events such as this and our support and promotion of their products and businesses ensures a strong and continued relationship in the future. We take care of those who take care of us.

We sincerely hope you enjoy your time with us here on the west coast of Canada. We hope you make many new friends and leave us with some great memories, new knowledge and an increased enthusiasm, passion and excitement for the sport.

For the sport

Lance Collins
President

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Decal
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All about Work Week

The event is designed to immerse everyone in the sport for 5 days. We schedule the meals and evening social time immediately after the day's training because we want the social time after training to be an opportunity for everyone to relax together and review the events of the day.

The social side is extremely important and an integral part of the event. We see this time as the best opportunity to get to know each other, discuss the events of the day, past experiences and special times in the sport. It gives everyone a chance to build relationships and establish contacts for the future and brings the Schutzhund sport world a little closer for everyone.

What will be covered?

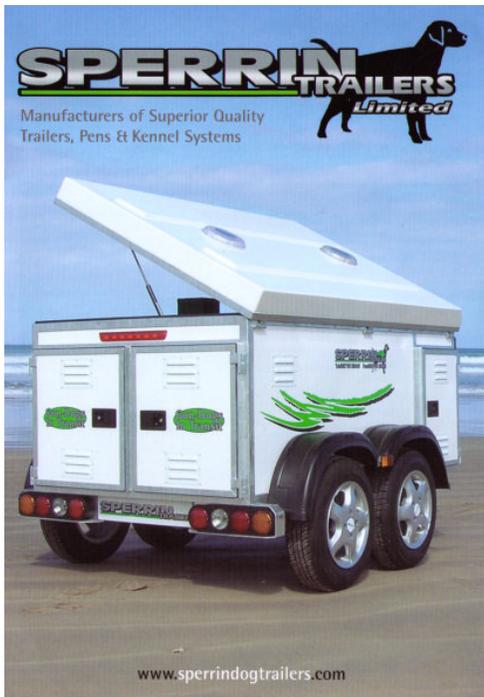
Training and demonstrations of techniques will continue all day with plenty of opportunity to practice with your own dog under the guidance of experienced handlers. In addition, multiple short workshops will be conducted daily on aspects of training, canine behavior, competing, handling, protocol, sportsmanship, judging, trial helper work and training helper work.

Who will be here?

Traditionally there are trainers, handlers helpers and judges from North America, Hawaii, Australia and Europe providing the opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas with a cross section of experienced handlers.

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Creating a positive perception

Generally there is a tremendous love affair with dogs in our society. That fascination covers a multitude of breeds and a variety of associated interests. However, we must not forget that there will always be those who don't understand or agree with the training of dogs, or even in having dogs in the community. Some are even afraid of dogs. In particular they are afraid of large breed dogs. It is important that those concerns are respected and reflected in the actions of dog owners.

The behavior of a dog owner affects the reputation of all dog owners, dog clubs, dog organizations and the breed they own.

How dogs in general, and the dog sport in particular, are viewed by friends, family, peers and the public is dependent on how every individual presents themselves in public and while participating in and around the sport.

Clubs have a responsibility to teach their members and to encourage responsible and respectful behavior.

The future of the Schutzhund sport in this changing world is also tied to the contribution it makes to society and in conveying the message that the sport is beneficial to the community. That message must be loud, clear and consistent.

We all have a vested interest in responsible dog ownership. Dogs and dog owners have to be educated to be good citizens.

Working dog clubs and their members must be a big part of the solution.

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Protocol for the sport of Schutzhund

The martial arts have centuries old traditions and protocols.

These protocols and traditions promote self-control, respect, humility and dignity. Like the martial arts, the sport of Schutzhund has traditions and protocols for the same purpose.

Proper reporting in and out for the various phases, competing in club uniforms, respecting competitors, volunteers, officials and maintaining dignity in success and failure are all important elements of how the sport is presented.

It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes short again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming, who does strive to do the deeds, who knows the great enthusiasm, the great devotions, spends himself in worthy cause, who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement; and who at the worst, if he fails, at the least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory or defeat.

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Clubs & Club grounds

We know that the training of dogs dramatically reduces the incident of unprovoked bites (approx. by 90%) and the education of owners and dogs is the key to preventing such incidents.

Dog Sport clubs and their facilities compliment the widely available public and private professional dog obedience classes and provide an option for those who would like to do more with their dog after learning the basics.

Club facilities draw people of a common interest together to share information and knowledge at an affordable price and provide a low cost form of family and personal recreation with the dogs. The clubs are social centers for people to gather and enjoy their common interests in a comfortable setting.

Club facilities also provide alternative venues for hosting training, seminars, competitions, shows and numerous other dog related activities.

Club facilities help to keep dogs owners from using public play grounds and recreational sports complexes as their training and exercise areas.

Club facilities are an important element for building a positive learning environment for everything from basic responsible owning to the competitive training of dogs.

The club structure creates a team environment which contributes to the competition aspect between the various clubs from different communities.

German Shepherd Schutzhund Club of Canada member clubs are all registered non-profit societies and the funds to maintain and improve the facilities to organize and to host events are generated from memberships and fund raising events held at the facility.

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Work Week Menu 2007

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All lunches: \$8.00
All Dinners: \$15.00 includes dessert

Wednesday

Lunch – Succulent pulled pork on a bun, slow oven baked beans.

Dinner – Penne Pasta in meat sauce, served with large mild Italian Sausage, Caesar salad, garlic bread.

Thursday

Lunch – Beef dip sandwich Au Jus, homemade coleslaw.

Dinner – Traditional German Dinner- Roast Pork, garlic mashed potatoes, red cabbage, assorted vegetable, dinner roll.

Friday

Lunch – Sweet Chilli Chicken burger breast on a bun served with pasta salad.

Dinner – Baked Honey Ham with assorted gourmet mustards, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, tossed salad, dinner roll.

Saturday

Lunch – Broiled open faced chicken salad sandwich with melted cheddar, choice of Tuscan tomato soup or Inge's chicken soup.

Dinner – Bernie's Feast!
Seafood starter, slow roasted prime rib, baked potato with all the fixings, tossed salad, dinner roll
Specialty dessert by Bernard

Sunday

Lunch – to be announced



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Tuesday Feb 20 2007

6:30pm Welcome function

Registrations & Introductions & Information

Complimentary food provided
Beverages available Casual dress

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Wednesday Feb 21 2007

8:30am - Meeting at club house

8:40am **Tracking** Overview & Demonstrations

12:30pm **Lunch** *Sponsored by: The Westward Inn*



1:15pm **Obedience** Overview & Demonstrations

4:00pm **Protection** Overview & Demonstrations

6:30pm **Dinner** *Sponsored by: Schweikert*

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Thursday Feb 22 2007

8:30am Meeting at tracking field

Tracking Practical

12:30pm **Lunch** *Sponsored by:*



1:15pm **Obedience** Overview & Practical

4:00pm **Protection** Overview & Practical

6:30pm **Dinner** *Sponsored by:*



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Wear Red on Friday

By wearing something red on Friday we honour our soldiers & police who are in far away and dangerous places protecting those who cannot defend themselves.

They go into danger because we ask them to. Wearing red on Friday says we support them and have not forgotten them.

Friday Feb 23 2007

8:30am Meeting at the club grounds

8:40am **Tracking** theory

10:00am **Obedience** Overview & practical

12:30pm **Lunch** *Sponsored by:*



1:15pm **Protection** theory & practical

6:30pm **Dinner** *Sponsored by:*



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Saturday Feb 24 2007

8:30am **Meeting at club house**

8:40am **Obedience & Demonstrations & Practice time**

12:30 **Lunch**

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1:15 pm **Protection** Theory, demonstrations & practical

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Sunday Feb 25 2007

9:00 am Meeting at club house
Obedience & Demonstrations
Practice time

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1:15 pm Protection theory, demonstrations & practical

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4:00ish pm Closing and farewell





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West Coast Club house rules

- Keep barking to a minimum - train the dog to be quiet!
- Keep vehicle doors and canopies closed to reduce barking unless the weather is too warm (for the dog).
- Clean up after your dog and publicly humiliate people who don't.
- Park along the west tree line. Back in the vehicle with the dog facing to the trees and park close together so everyone has enough room.
- Do not park in Inge's reserved parking spot by the clubhouse door.
- Only vehicles without dogs are permitted to park next to club house
- Always respect the dog by training before consuming any alcohol but feel free to drink quickly to catch up after you have finished training.
- If you drink alcohol, get a ride home.
- Do not honk your horn when you leave, respect the neighbors.
- If you need help in training, ask someone.
- Members must pay tabs in full every month.
- Feel free to help out at any time. Pick up trash, sweep the floor, take out the trash, put trash in garbage cans, cut the grass.....feel free.
- The handler is responsible for buying a round of drinks, for all who are present, should their dogs defecate on the field.
- If you like the work of the helper with your dog, spring for a beer.
- If the helper goes down while catching a dog.....it's a round for the house on the helper.
- Water bottles, pop cans and beer cans are recyclable and are revenue for the club. Please put them in the proper recycle containers.
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