

# Premium List

## The German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc.

(Member of the American Kennel Club)



### *The 61st National Tracking Show* **Monday, October 23, 2023**

Event # 2023009322 & 2023009372 & 2023009373

**3 TD (4<sup>th</sup> alternate track possible/ 0 TDX / 2 TDU / 2 VST  
GERMAN SHEPHERD DOGS PREFERRED, OPEN TO ALL BREED AND ALL  
AMERICAN DOGS**

**See Special Rules and Provisions Related to COVID-19 on pages 4-7.**

#### **Walker Standardbred Farm**

Ranch 7793 Farrand Rd,  
Sherman, IL

**&**

#### **Illinois State Fairgrounds**

801 E. Sangamon Ave., Springfield, Illinois 62702

Show Hours 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Central Time

Hosted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc.  
Visit The Web Site For Additional Premiums & Downloads [www.gsdca.org](http://www.gsdca.org)



#### **AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION**

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

**Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary**

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**Entries close at 8:00pm, Central Time, on Wednesday, October 4, 2023** after which time, entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered or substituted except as provided in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules.

**Entries Open on September 1, 2023, at 8:00 AM Central Time.**

**MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES MADE OUT TO:**

**GSDCA, Inc.  
c/o Cynthia Curran,  
1808 Emerson Ave South, Minneapolis, MN 55403  
Phone: (612) 517-6919**

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## **Entry Fees**

TD \$100.00, TDU \$125.00, VST \$125.00

**Due to active hunting in the area grounds for TDX tracks are unavailable for this National. The National and Tracking committee worked painstakingly to find safe and suitable grounds to hold the TDX tracks. At this time grounds for this test are could not be found but we have sourced a site for future National events held in Springfield, Illinois.**

**Test Secretary**

Cynthia Curran  
1808 Emerson Ave South  
Minneapolis, MN 55403  
(612) 517-6919  
cyncurran@gmail.com

**\*\* Please Note\*\***

Other Events are handled by other secretaries, please see [www.gsdca.org](http://www.gsdca.org)

## **Notice to Exhibitors**

**CERTIFICATION:** An **ORIGINAL** Judge's Certification (not a copy) must accompany your TD entry form for this test. Facsimile, telephoned and unsigned entries cannot be accepted. Entries not on official AKC entry forms and photocopies of the entry form without the Agreement and Rules on the reverse side of the Official AKC entry form are not acceptable.

*In Accordance with Chapter 1, Section 17a of the Tracking Regulations, The Club will implement the exchange policy if the limit for entries is not reached in one test but the limit is exceeded in another test.*

**DIRECTIONS TO WALKER STANDARD BRED FARM:**

I-55 to Wolf Creek Road, go east on Wolf Creek Rd. Turn north on Farrand, look for the Walker Farm sign.

**DIRECTIONS TO ILLINOIS STATE FAIRGROUNDS:**

I-55 to East Sangemon, turn west on E. Sangemon – fairgrounds is on north side of road.

**VETERINARIAN (ON CALL)**

Prairiehaven Animal Hospital  
208 Village Center Road  
Sherman, IL 62684  
(217) 689-4960

**24-HR EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN**

Animal Emergency Clinic  
821 South Durkin Drive  
Springfield, IL 62704  
(217) 698-0870

**NOTE:** Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians’ recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

**DIRECTIONS to Prairiehaven Animal Hospital:**

Take I-55 North, turn into Village Center Road (directions from fairgrounds)

**DIRECTIONS to 24-HR EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN:**

From Fairgrounds – Take E. Sangemon and Browning Ave to IL-29 N/State Rte 4 S/Veterans pkwy, Turn left onto IL-29N/State Rte 4/Veterans Pkwy. Turn left onto W. Lawrence Ave., Turn Right onto S. Durkin Rd.

**FOOD**

Fruit and pastries will be available in the morning. Coffee, tea, sodas and bottled water will be available all day.

**OTHER NOTES**

Bring a chair!

No dogs off-leash. Please do not allow your dogs to urinate on buildings, vehicles, and or landscaped areas. Please pick up after your dog, FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN REMOVAL FROM THE PROPERTY.

**THIS IS A PRIVATE WORKING HORSE FARM; THERE WILL BE HORSES AND WORKERS. PLEASE KEEP YOUR DISTANCE FROM THE HORSES. PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY WHILE ON THE PROPERTY. PLEASE TREAT THIS LOCATION AS IF IT WAS YOUR HOME.**

**DONATIONS**

Anyone wishing to donate to the Tracking fund for Start Articles, Gloves, Tracklayer Patches and hospitality please contact Cynthia Curran. All donations will be listed in the GSDCA National Tracking Catalog.

## **SPECIAL RULES RELATED TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS**

If you participate in, enter, or attend any event listed in this premium list, you will be deemed (without having to sign any document) to have agreed to the following indemnification, waiver of liability and assumption of risk agreement.

### **INDEMNIFICATION, WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

I acknowledge and agree that **The German Shepherd Dog Club of America Inc.**, The American Kennel Club, and each of their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents and/or event secretaries, and the owner and/or lessor or operator of the premises and any provider of services that are used to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, other participants, and any judge judging at the event (**collectively, the “Released Parties”**) are participating in the event(s) and allowing me to enter, participate in and/or attend the event(s) in reliance on my agreement to this indemnification, waiver of liability and assumption of risk agreement.

I understand that **The German Shepherd Dog Club of America Inc.** has the right to refuse my participation in, or attendance at the event(s). In consideration of permitting my participation in, or attendance at the event(s) and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have dogs judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies:

1. **I UNDERSTAND THAT PARTICIPATION IN, OR ATTENDANCE AT ANY EVENT(S) LISTED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST INCLUDES POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO RISK OF SERIOUS ILLNESS AND/OR DEATH AND OTHER RISKS FROM THE COVID-19 VIRUS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.**
2. **I KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY ASSUME SUCH RISKS, BOTH KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, OR OTHERS AND ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY PARTICIPATION AND/OR ATTENDANCE.**
3. I represent that neither I nor, to my knowledge, anyone in my household has had any illness or disease or been diagnosed with any illness or disease relating to the COVID-19 virus or any other infectious disease in the last 30 days.
4. I, for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin agree and hereby **assume the sole responsibility** for and agree to **indemnify**, defend, **not to sue**, and to **hold harmless**, the **Released Parties** from any and all liability, damage, loss, causes of action of any kind, claims, cost and expense (**including legal fees**) (by reason of liability which may be caused or alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or imposed upon any of the Released Parties for **present and future damage**, because of illness, personal and bodily injuries, **including death** at

any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself, or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of **my participation in, or attendance at**, the event(s) listed in this premium list, related to the **COVID-19 virus or any other infectious disease**, or however else such injuries, death or property damage may be caused, **and whether or not the same** may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of any of the Released Parties.

5. I understand that this agreement is intended to be broad and inclusive to the fullest extent permitted by the laws of the state in which the event(s) listed in this premium list will take place. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is invalid or unenforceable, the remainder will continue in full force and effect.
6. **I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT FULLY AND UNDERSTAND I WILL GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY PARTICIPATING IN OR ATTENDING ANY EVENT(S) IN THIS PREMIUM LIST, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER I SIGN A DOCUMENT.**

#### **ATTENTION PARTICIPANTS AND ATTENDEES: ADDITIONAL RULES RELATED TO COVID-19**

- Participants and attendees are **required** to comply with federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and orders required in the jurisdiction of the venue in which the event will take place and should consider whether to also comply with suggested guidelines and best practices that are only recommended. Participants and attendees should also be aware that the locations of their lodging and places they may eat might be in local jurisdictions that are different from the venue for the event.
- Participants and attendees should review and comply with the **requirements** of the American Kennel Club rules and suggested best practices applicable to the event and should consider whether to also comply with suggested guidelines and best practices that are only recommended.
- The GSDCA **strongly recommends** that participants practice social distancing and wear a mask or other face covering suitable for their circumstances even if **not required** by federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and orders in the jurisdiction of the venue in which the event will take place or the rules of The American Kennel Club. Masks and face coverings will not be provided to participants by the event giving club.
- Include the animals you are responsible for (especially those being brought to events) in your social distancing practices. Wash your hands after handling animals, their food, waste, or supplies. Limit interaction with animals not under your control.
- Monitor sites like this site maintained by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention for updates and guidance relating to COVID-19 and pets <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/pets.html>

- In the 24-48 hours prior to the event and prior to your participation on the day of the event, check the GSDCA and AKC websites, plus the website for relevant federal, state, and local authorities to familiarize yourself with current rules and procedures.
- Bring your own seating and food to better control sanitizing and food preparation. The event-giving club(s) may not have any of these items, or enough of them. Clearly mark these things to discourage use by others.
- Bring your own masks or other face coverings, hand sanitizer, gloves and tissues. Event-giving club(s) might not provide these items, or they might not be available in sufficient quantities to supply everyone that wants or needs them.
- Consider only bringing people to the event that are necessary for you to travel to and participate in the event whom you have determined can comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations and orders on their own or at your direction. This will help reduce the number of people at the event and make it easier to practice social distancing and could help limit potential liability for the actions of people that you bring to an event or venue.
- Consider parking your vehicle so that the working end of your vehicle is at the opposite end of the vehicles beside you to create more distance between work areas.
- Socialize your dogs to being around and being examined by a person wearing a mask, or to the extent possible, the scent of hand sanitizers. They vary in scent, but many contain alcohol.
- Even more than usual, be considerate of how your movements around and near the ring could impact other people who are trying to maintain social distancing.
- Conduct that violates required COVID-19 related, federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and orders, or required AKC, or the rules of an event-giving club could result in referrals to a bench show, or other event, committee and/or the GSDCA ethics committee.
- No entry fees will be refunded if the show cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, extreme and or dangerous weather conditions, an Act of God, public emergency, act of public enemy, strikes or any other cause beyond the control of the Club or the Superintendent.

***PLEASE NOTE: by entering this event, you agree to these terms and conditions.***

**Officers of the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc.**

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Deb Norman

**Event Committee**

Chairperson - Natasha Sullivan

**Committee Members:**

Pamela O'Dell, Candee Foss, Patty Korsch, Martha Simonett

**Judges:** Inge Suchanek, 9203 N. Bowers Lake Rd., Milton, WI 53563  
Darlene Barnard, 38 W. 150 Hickory Ct., Batavia, IL 60510

**Exhibitors will assemble on Monday, October 23, 2023 at:**

**8:00 AM for drawing of the TD tracks.**

**9:30 AM for drawing of the TDU Tracks**

**10:00 AM for Drawing of the VST Tracks**

***Tests will begin after the draw, as soon as the tracks are sufficiently aged, and the judges are ready.***

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**NO ENTRY SHALL BE MADE** and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance. All cancellations must be written or emailed and received by the Test Secretary before the closing date.

**ERRORS ON ENTRY BLANKS** - Owners are responsible for errors on entry forms. No entry fee will be refunded in the event of errors.

**CLOSING DATE for the tracking test is 8:00 PM Central Time on Wednesday, October 4, 2023. 3 TD possible 4<sup>th</sup> alternate track /2 TDU/ 2 VST**

## **GERMAN SHEPHERD DOGS PREFERRED / ALL BREED / ALL AMERICAN DOGS -**

Tracks not filled by German Shepherd Dogs (GSDs) will be available to other breeds and all-American dogs registered with the American Kennel Club. Order of selection in each test will be GSDs without titles, GSDs with titles, then other breeds without titles.

**THE CLUB MAY CANCEL** the event in case of extreme weather conditions. Extreme weather conditions, such as, but not limited to: snowstorms, hurricanes, lightning, extreme heat, heavy rains or other circumstances including but not limited to the condition of the facilities or grounds and/or ingress and egress from the grounds and must be considered for the health and safety of the dogs, exhibitors and spectators. The well being of the dogs, exhibitors and spectators is of paramount importance and in the event it is necessary to cancel or stop the event before completion, no refund of entries will be made.

**ENTRIES WILL BE DRAWN AT:** The Secretary's home at 8:00 PM on 8:00pm, Central Time, on Wednesday, October 4, 2023.

All interested parties are invited to attend the draw. Preference will be given to German Shepherd Dogs (GSD's). One of the show committee will draw entries randomly with the first preference going to GSDs without titles, then to GSDs with titles, then to other breeds. When the test entry limit has been reached for TD / TDU / VST tests all remaining entries shall be assigned a position on respective alternate lists, corresponding to the order in which they are drawn. In the event any of the accepted TD / TDU / VST entries cancel or are absent on the day of the test, the Test Secretary will contact the alternates on the appropriate alternate list in the order in which they have been drawn. Alternates may accept or decline to exhibit. Entry fees will be refunded by mail to those alternates who do not compete. Exhibits will be notified in 24 hours by email or phone regarding the results of the draw on October 4, 2023.

**BITCHES IN SEASON MAY PARTICIPATE** in accordance with Chapter 2, Section 8 of the AKC tracking Regulation. This section requires notification to the Test Secretary prior to the drawing of tracks. Bitches in season will be allowed to participate only after all other dogs and bitches not in season have been tested.

Awards - Each Team Qualifying - Green Rosette  
1st Place - Glass Trophy



# OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB ENTRY FORM

## The German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc

GSDCA TD [ ] 10/23/23 • 2023009322

GSDCA TDU [ ] 10/23/23 • 2023009373

GSDCA VST [ ] 10/23/23 • 2023009372

Mail Entries With Fees Made payable to: **GSDCA, Cynthia Curran, 1808 Emerson Ave South, Minneapolis, MN 55403**

I ENCLOSE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for entry fees (See page 2 for entry fees)

**IMPORTANT** - Read Carefully Instructions on Reverse Side Before Filling Out. Numbers in the boxes indicate sections of the instructions relevant to the information needed in that box (PLEASE PRINT)

BREED		VARIETY 1		SEX
DOG 2 3 SHOW CLASS		CLASS 3 DIVISION Weight, color, etc.		
ADDITIONAL CLASSES	OBEDIENCE CLASS (Jump Height)	RALLY CLASS (Jump Height)	JR. SHOWMANSHIP CLASS	
NAME OF (see Back) JUNIOR HANDLER (if any)			JR. HANDLER NUMBER	
FULL NAME OF DOG				
Enter number here:			DATE OF BIRTH	
<input type="checkbox"/> AKC* NO. <input type="checkbox"/> ILP/PAL NO. <input type="checkbox"/> FOREIGN REG NO. & COUNTRY			PLACE OF BIRTH (list country)	

BREEDER

SIRE

DAM

ACTUAL OWNER(S)		
OWNER'S ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
NAME OF OWNER'S AGENT (IF ANY) AT THE SHOW		Owner/Handler eligible? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event, and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

■ SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE# \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL Address \_\_\_\_\_

Check this box if you would like to receive confirmation & judging program by postal mail instead of email.

E-MAIL Address (An acknowledgment or receipt of entry will be sent to the email address, postal mail by request)

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. **I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN ITS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.**

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. (Variety) if you are entering a dog of breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering, i.e., Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color), Beagles (not exceeding 13 in., over 13 in. but not exceeding 15 in.), Dachshunds (longhaired, smooth, wirehaired), Collies (rough, smooth), Bull Terriers (colored, white), Manchester Terriers (standard, toy), Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat), English Toy Spaniels (King Charles and Ruby, Blenheim and Prince Charles), Poodles (toy, miniature, standard).
2. The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record and dogs which, according to their owners' records, have completed the requirements for a championship, but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of unconfirmed Champions in Best of Breed competition is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the dog completed the requirements for a championship.
3. (Event Class) Consult the classification in this premium list. If the event class in which you are entering your dog is divided, then, in addition to designating the class, specify the particular division of the class in which you are entering your dog, i.e, age division, color division, weight division.
4. A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for an event closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any event for which entries closed after the date of acquirement, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been mailed to the AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)
5. Mixed Breed dogs entering classes for Agility, Obedience, and Rally trials should mark Breed as AKC Canine Partners Listed Dog "All American Dog/Mixed Breed." Variety, Breeder, Sire, Dam information shall remain blank for mixed breed entrants.

If this entry is for Junior Showmanship, please give the following information:

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ JR.'S DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

AKC JUNIOR HANDLER NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

The above number MUST be included. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, this may be obtained from the American Kennel Club. Phone: (919) 233-9767.

**By signing the entry form I (we) certify that the Junior Showman does not now, and will not at any time, act as an agent/handler for pay while continuing to compete in Junior Showmanship.**

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

- If Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner?