

# SWEEPSTAKES



**HUGH MIDDLEDITCH**

My introduction to the dog show world started in 1970 with my dear friend and mentor Betty MacKillop showing my first Doberman Pinscher. I started breeding in 1974. I bred and handled Dobs to many top breed honors in Canada and at U.S. National Specialties. We were blessed with our lovely red bitch Lucy, winning Canada's #1 Doberman in 1997.

I never considered myself a professional handler as I did not do it for a living, the income I brought in helped pay my expenses, I handled because of my love of dogs and my competitive nature. I feel blessed to have been involved for many years, enjoying the friendships of fellow dog lovers.

I showed dogs in every group, but mostly Groups 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7. I had the honor of being given beautiful dogs to show, many winning top dog in their breeds with several to top all time in breed history.

I have judged many sweepstakes over the years and it will be my pleasure to judge the 2016 EKKOC summer sweeps.

# CONFORMATION



**DIANNE JOVANOVIC**

I started in the dog world as a Junior Handler in NSW showing my parents Corgi's.

In 1977, my husband and I bought a Dobermann bitch and started out in Obedience.

In 1979, I bought my husband a German Shorthaired Pointer bitch for his birthday. We have owned, shown, bred and trialed them under the Pushkacairr prefix with considerable success including many multi BIS, BISS, Grand CH and NZ CH until we retired a few years ago.

In 1975, I purchased the first of many Shar Pei successfully campaigning them for over 15 years.

Other breeds I have owned and/or shown include Field Spaniel, Labrador, Weimaraner, Beagle, Dachshund, Whippet, Rottweiler and Dalmatian.

I started Judging in 1995, achieving ANKC All Breeds status in 2009. Over the years, I have the privilege of judging many Breed Club Specialties including, Asian Breeds, Beagle, Dalmatian, Dobermann, Hound Club, Rottweiler, Staffordshire and Weimaraner along with Gundog Clubs in NSW, ACT and New Zealand, Working Dog Club in New Zealand, the Toy Dog Fanciers specialty in Canada and the honour of judging The German Shorthaired Pointer Club in New Zealand. I had the honour of Judging Dogs NSW Dog Of The Year, Puppy Of The Year and Neuter Of The Year January 2016.

I have judged numerous times in all states and territories of Australia, and both North and South Islands of New Zealand. I have also judged in India, Canada, South Korea, China, Philippines and Thailand and Japan.

I have presented the breed lectures for German Shorthaired Pointer and Shar Pei to trainee judges over a number of years.

Positions I've held have included President, Show Secretary and Magazine Editor of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club Qld., Show Secretary and Vice President of Ipswich Kennel Club Qld. I am still an active member/committee member of numerous clubs.

I am now retired after working many years as a Nurse, Vet Nurse and an Office Manager.

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**JUDITH TAYLOR**

I bred my first litter, a collie, in 1963. Thereafter, I have only bred Golden Retrievers & for a brief time with my husband at the time, Brian Taylor, a couple of litters of Irish Setters.

I have been breeding Goldens for most of my life, accumulating 53 years! As a professional all breed dog handler for 38 years, there are many breeds of dogs that I know and love and I do appreciate most breeds of dogs! In 1993 I was awarded Top Handler of the Year by the PHAC. Some of my favourite breeds to show were Rottweilers, German Shepherds, and Great Danes.

After achieving somewhat success in both conformation and now the "hunt test" titles with my Goldens, there is a renewed respect for 'form = function' and as a licensed "dog judge" I will certainly keep this in mind when I pass judgment on any dog that was bred for a purpose.

A great deal of pleasure is achieved when I judge, this being in North America, China & Mexico.