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GREAT SALT LAKE DOG TRAINING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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What: General Meeting

When: 7:00 pm, Monday, June 23

Topic: *Rally Basics presented by Betsy Coleman*

Where: Columbus Community Center
2531 South 500 East, South Salt Lake

What: Scent Trial

When: 8:00 am, June 20-22, 2025

Where: American Preparatory Academy, West Valley
3636 W. 3100 S., West Valley City 84119

Contact gsldtcswttrials@gmail.com for additional information:

What: Annual Club Picnic and General Meeting

When: 7:00 pm, August 25, 2025

Location: Murray Park, 296 E Murray Park Ave, Murray,

****More details to come!****

Current and Upcoming Classes

*Tuesday Competition Classes-Ongoing for May/June	Times
Beginning Scent Work	7:00 PM
Advanced Rally	7:00 PM
Advanced Scent	8:00 PM
Beg. Novice/Novice Obedience Ring Prep <i>Next Sign-up to be determined</i>	8:00 PM
Conformation Ring Prep <i>Next signup to be determined</i>	8:00 PM

*Classes run **8 weeks**, giving you plenty of time to learn, grow, and have fun with your four-legged family member along the way.*

****Please go to the website for sign up dates for Tuesday classes in July***

Wednesday Classes - Ongoing for May/June	Times
S.T.A.R. Puppy	7:00 PM
Beginning Obedience	7:00 PM
Intermediate/CGC Prep	7:00 PM
Advanced Obedience (CGCA Prep)	7:00 PM
Trick Class	7:45 PM

Wednesday Classes offered for June/July	Times
S.T.A.R. Puppy	7:45 PM
Beginning Obedience	7:45 PM

Click on this link to see class descriptions: <http://gsldtc.com/training/>

Next Class Sign Ups:

Tuesday Night Classes:

- **When:** 7:00 pm, Tuesday, **July 1st** for July/August classes
- **Note:** Class will begin on July 1st; bring your dog and proof of vaccinations.

Wednesday Night Classes:

- **When:** 7:00 pm, Wednesday, **June 4th** for S.T.A.R. Puppy and Beginning Obedience
- **Note:** Bring your proof of vaccinations; do not bring your dog to sign up.
Classes will begin at 7:45 pm on Wednesday, June 11th
- **Where:** West Jordan Utah National Guard Armory,
7602 So. Airport Road, West Jordan, UT ***Click For Directions***.
- **How to Enter the building:** Entry for sign ups and all classes is on the South side of the building which is on the west side of the road.



FOR THE EVENTS LISTED BELOW

- **What: Downtown Farmers Market**
- **When:** May 28th
- **Time:** Set up 7:00 – 7:30 am; market is open from 8:00 am -2:00 pm
Three-hour shifts if we have enough volunteers
- **Where:** Pioneer Park

Bring a snack for yourself or your dog, as well as a raised bed or blanket for your dog, if desired

Contact Ali Harte, alisonharte11@gmail.com



- **What: West Jordan Farmers Markets**
- **When:** Wednesdays, July 30, August 20, & September 17th
- **Time:** 3:15 pm set-up; market runs from 5:00 pm-9:00 pm
- **Where:** Veteran's Memorial Park, 1985 W. 7800 S., West Jordan

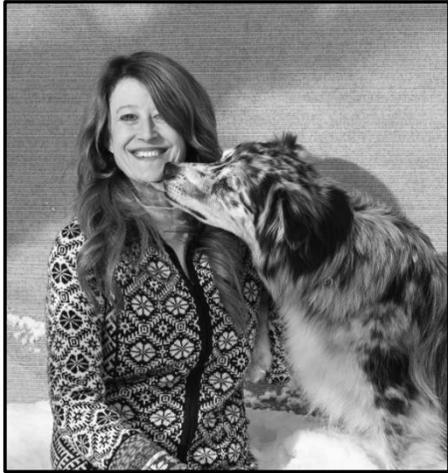
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Meet our Board & Committee Chairs

Betsy Coleman, Interim President & Vice President



I work for the State of Utah, more specifically the Colorado River Authority of Utah, which was formed in 2021 by a joint bill co-sponsored by the Senate President and House Speaker and is part of the Governor's Office.

I wouldn't be doing what I am with my dogs right now if it wasn't for the GSLDTC! I've learned so much from all the members and am extremely grateful to be a part of this club.

I've been a member of the GSLDTC about 13-14 years. A couple years ago Michelle Larsen approached me at a dog show and asked me to come to the next GSLDTC board meeting and told me I should volunteer. I wasn't sure what I was getting into, but I listened to her and showed up. The next thing I know I'm being voted in as the Vice President. Not sure how all that happened but I just went with it.

I have five Australian Shepherds that compete in conformation, obedience, rally and agility.

I grew up in Virginia showing horses on the A Circuit - show hunters and hunt seat equitation. I moved to Utah about 30 years ago when the software engineering company I was working for won a \$47.5M project to upgrade Utah's tax system. I was working as a consultant for the Utah State Tax Commission back then, and now I have been a Utah State employee for over 11 years.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?

Honestly, I'd rather hook up my trailer, load the dogs and head to dog show than travel anywhere.

Thank you
For your leadership, Betsy!



Penny Morrison, Training Chair



I started my career as an Industrial Electrical Drafter/Designer. Because of a very good boss, while employed at Kennecott, that recognized my abilities, & I retired from my career as an Automation Controls Programmer.

I have been a member of the GSLDTC since 2006.

The first time on any committee was Hospitality because Wendy McCleery asked me. I resigned from that position because it was too stressful for me to plan to feed more than four people, lol.

I was asked to consider taking on the Vice President position, which I held until COVID.

My standout moment would be being elected to Co-Training Director; I'm pretty sure Wendy is proud of my involvement in the GSLDTC.

I have almost always had at least one Irish Setter in my home since I was 16 years old. Right now, I have three dogs and I'm on a new adventure with my Australian Shepherd.

I was born & raised in Southern California, less than five miles from the beach. I moved to Utah in 1971 to a town with less than 500 people and horses in my neighbor's yard. That move was a major culture shock for me.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?

If I could travel anywhere, it would be Hawaii; it's my ultimate happy place.

Thank you
For your expertise. Penny!

Austin Kalfaolu, Training Co-Chair



I am a team lead at a dog daycare and dog trainer.

I joined the GSLDTC in early 2022.

I was encouraged by fellow club members to run for the board, as a director of training. I thought it would be a great opportunity to help the club and gain experience as a dog trainer.

Being a member of the board has been a great experience; I've made friends, had a lot of fun experiences, and learned a lot about collaborating and working together as a team to make decisions

I'm fascinated with mushrooms; my English Setter loves to forage for them with me.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?

Peru, I would love to see Machu Picchu in person.

Thank you
For your expertise Austin!



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Fun Facts from AKC

1. The Labrador Retriever has been on the AKC's top 10 most popular breeds list for longer than any other breed.
2. A dog's nose print is unique, much like a person's fingerprint.
3. Forty-five percent of U.S. dogs sleep in their owner's beds.

4. Speaking of sleeping ... all dogs dream, but puppies and senior dogs dream more frequently than adult dogs.
5. Seventy percent of people sign their dog's name on their holiday cards.
6. A dog's sense of smell is legendary, but did you know that their nose has as many as 300 million receptors? In comparison, a human nose has about 5 million.
7. Rin Tin Tin, the famous German Shepherd Dog, was nominated for an Academy Award.
8. Dogs' noses can sense heat and thermal radiation, which explains why blind or deaf dogs can still hunt.
9. The French Bulldog was first named the most popular breed in 2022.
10. The name Collie means "black." (Collies once tended black-faced sheep.)



Self-Certifications will be due in July

Let's hear from you!



Share your brags or nominate an amazing club member and their dog(s).

Send info and photos to: Maria Sweeten, msweeten22@gmail.com

Questions? Reach out to
 our board members/committee chairs listed below.
You can find their contact info on the GSLDTC website

Board Members		
President/Interim	Betsy	Coleman
Vice President	Betsy	Coleman
Executive Secretary	Jodie	Hanson
Treasurer	Cheri	Rieben

Committee Chairs		
Hospitality Chairperson	Michelle	Larsen
Show Chairperson	Kristie	Rasmussen
Trophy Chairperson	Maria	Sheehan
Training Chair Person	Penny	Morrison
Training Co-Chair Person	Austin	Kalfaolu
Equipment Chairperson	Anthony (Tony)	Hanson
Equipment Co-Chairperson	Cambrie	Twilligar
Obedience Lead Steward	Jodie	Hanson
Rally Lead Steward	Mary	Hart
Social Media	Ali	Harte
Social Media-Website	Rebecca	Streeter
Tracking	Jennifer	Adams
Scent	Toni	Sjoblom
Newsletter Editor	Maria	Sweeten

One Last Note

We have three older Obedience/Rally high jumps for sale.
 They would be good for practice training.

****NEW Price*: \$50 each***

Contact anthonyshan@msn.com



Saturday, June 14



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For additional information visit our website

www.gsltdc.com