

Awards Committee Description

Objective

The Awards Committee will promote and support the awards program of the German Pinscher Club of America.

Promote

Ensure the members know the necessary steps and deadlines for participating in the GPCA awards Program.

- Send information for the March Pinscher Press.
- Publish information in the Online Newsletter.
- Ensure necessary forms and information are on the GPCA website.
- Provide Committee report for the Annual Board and General meeting.
- Determine the deadline for applications, allowing ample time for members to submit documentation and the committee to verify and prepare the awards for presentation at the National Specialty.

Rules for New Titlists Awards

Rules required for a member to obtain an award for new AKC titlists.

- New AKC titlists for the award year are automatically presented with a certificate. They do not need to apply.
- In order to receive a medallion, proof of health testing must be presented to the awards committee by the published deadline.

Rules for Special Awards

GPCA members must apply to compete for special award to the awards committee by the published deadline.

- Winners meeting the criteria will receive a certificate.
- Winners submitting proof of health testing will get a plaque as well as a certificate.

Health Requirements

The chairman will collect (by the published deadline) and verify the proof of health testing from the members

- OFA number or proof from Veterinary Hospital of x-ray - can be pending OFA evaluation.
- CERF number or proof of test from Veterinary Hospital.
- Thyroid - Either reported on the OFA site or proof of test from Veterinary Hospital.
- Printout from the OFA site.

Verify Winners of Special Awards

Special Award Forms and Charts presented by the members must be verified to determine the winners.

- Evaluate application form against member's AKC report to ensure accuracy. If an AKC report is not submitted, evaluate application form against AKC Awards Magazine to ensure accuracy.
- Special Award winners need not submit health information. The winners without health information will receive certificates and the title. They only need to submit health information to receive a plaque.
- Compare the application form for each award to determine the winner: Conformation Dog of the Year, Conformation Dog of the Year Opposite Sex, Brood Bitch of the Year, Stud Dog of the Year, Obedience Dog of the Year, Rally Dog of the Year, Agility Dog of the Year, Tracking Dog of the Year, Junior Handler of the Year.
- Verify applications for other Special Awards (e.g., Versatile Companion Dog).
- Results are subject to review if the Board so decides.

Documentation

The Awards rules are available on the GPCA website. They will be mailed to a member on request.

- Overall award rules can be found on the Awards Rules page of the GPCA website.
- Rules for each Special award can be found on the Awards Rules page of the GPCA website.
- Application for a medallion can be found on the Awards Rules page of the GPCA website.

Presenting Awards

Awards will be presented at the Annual National Specialty Banquet.

- Ensure the plaques, medallions, certificates, and a list of those receiving awards are at the Banquet.
- Ensure someone will take pictures of the presentation for the GPCA website and the historian.
- Provide the list of those receiving recognition to the Pinscher Press editor and the GPCA webmaster.
- Ensure the pictures are provided to the webmaster.
- Ship the certificates, medallions, and plaques to those who could not attend the Specialty.
- Leading Producers do not receive an award. Instead, their names and a list of their titled progeny will be printed in the Pinscher Press once a year.
- Once a leading producer achieves the criteria for Hall of Fame Producer, the Awards Committee will be notified and the dog/bitch will receive a plaque/award at the Annual Banquet.

Leading Producers

Evaluate applications for Leading Producers.

- Evaluate the Application presented by the member for correctness
- Progeny need not belong to GPCA members.
- Health information must be provided for the stud or dam.

- Once the title Leading Producer has been achieved, the History Committee will maintain a list of those dogs and their champion/performance titlists. The GPCA History Committee will keep the tally for leading producers.
- Once a leading producer achieves the criteria for Hall of Fame Producer, the Awards Committee will be notified and the dog/bitch will receive a plaque/award at the Annual Banquet.
- The awards chairman will notify the Pinscher Press of all Hall of Fame Producers.
- The awards chairman will notify the webmaster of all Hall of Fame Producers.

Committee chairs must submit a quarterly report each quarter for publication in the Pinscher Press. The current deadlines are: March 10, June 10, September 10 and December 10. If no committee action has occurred during a quarter that should also be reported. The yearly report required for the annual membership meeting will count as one of the quarterly reports.

By the authority of the GPCA Constitution/Bylaws, any committee member who does not follow these guidelines may be terminated by a majority vote of the full membership of the Board upon written notice to the appointee; and the Board may appoint a successor for the person whose service has been terminated.

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