

2019 German Shorthaired Pointer Association National Championships Preview # 3

Greetings From The NGSPA Board of Trustees (BOT):

The purpose of this preview is to give all of you a quick look at how things are shaping up for the National Championships in 2019, to give you a heads up on changes that were made at the BOT meeting in June and to encourage all of you to let us know if you have ideas to make the Nationals better.

WHERE: Sportsman Association Field Trial Grounds near Grovespring, Missouri.

Driving Directions: From Interstate Highway I-44 at Lebanon, MO turn South on Missouri Highway 5 and follow it approximately 17 miles. Watch for a silhouette of a pointing dog on the right and turn right (West) on Meadow Lark Lane. Follow it for approximately 1 ½ miles to the Sportsman Association Clubhouse on the right. Check in at the Clubhouse for parking assistance. There is limited parking behind the clubhouse and the new parking area is approximately ¼ mile past the clubhouse on the right.

Grounds Improvements at Grovespring: Don Arnold, the coordinator for the improvements, advises the new horse corrals are complete and in use, the water and electric have been run to the new parking pads and will be useable as soon as the well (which is complete) connections are done, the concrete for the new dog kennels has been poured and the kennels will be installed soon. They are ready to start spreading grave as soon as they get a break in the rain. Everything seems on track for improvements to be complete prior to our arrival at the end of March.

WHEN: The 2019 National Championships will start at 8:00 AM, Saturday, March 30, 2019 with the National Amateur Championship, followed by the NGSPA Futurity, the National Championship, and will conclude with the National Shooting Dog Championship. Drawing for the Amateur Championship will take place at approximately 6:00 PM on Friday, March 29, 2019. The Championships will take approximately 12 to 14 days total running time – Amateur 3-5 days, Futurity 2-3 days, National Championship 2-3 days, and the Shooting Dog 4-6 days.

RUNNING ORDER: The running order will remain unchanged – Amateur Shooting Dog, National Futurity, National Championship and Shooting Dog.

JUDGES:

2019 National Amateur Shooting Dog Championship: Bill Monk, Wellsburg, WV

	Rob Tomczak, Elk Mound, WI
2019 National Championship and 2019 Futurity:	Eldon Hongo, Cheyenne, WY Andy Daugherty, Grovespring, MO
2019 National Open Shooting Dog Championship:	Bonnie Hidalgo, Brighton, CO Lisa Pollock, Medford, NJ

2019 ENTRY FEES: National Amateur Championship - \$200.00
National Championship - \$225.00
NGSPA Futurity - \$175.00
National Shooting Dog Championship - \$225.00

QUALIFICATION STANDARDS FOR A DOG TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RUN IN THE NGSPA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Qualifications for the National Championship, National Amateur Championship, and National Open Shooting Dog Championship.

(A) Qualification for Life. The following qualify a dog for life, for entry in the National Championship, National Amateur Championship, and National Open Shooting Dog Championship:

1. (a) A win (Champion or RU Champion) in an NGSPA or American Field Championship of an hour in length or more.
2. (b) A win (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in a broke dog stake in any NGSPA or American Field sanctioned trial.

(B) The current year's NGSPA National Futurity winner qualifies for the next year's Championships (one year only).

(C) The dog must be amateur handled and amateur owned in the National Amateur Championship.

NATIONAL FUTURITY

(A) Dogs eligible for the NGSPA National Futurity must be properly nominated by the breeder and the owner.

(B) The dog must be registered in the American Field Dog Stud Book.

2019 Entry Deadline: Online entries will be available beginning about January 1, 2019 and will close Monday, March 11, 2019. All Nationals entries for any dog that, at any time prior to March 6, 2019 has qualified to enter any National event, must be received by the NGSPA Field Trial Secretary by March 11, 2019. Dogs that first qualify on or after March 6, 2019 may be entered at any time before the drawing is held, but information for the dog may not be published in the National events catalog. Phone entries will not be accepted. Entries must be on an entry form and include all information, including the FDSB registration and DNA numbers, date and trial of qualification. If information on where and when the dog qualified is not on the entry, dog will not be drawn!”

Advertising and Dog Wagon/Social Hour Entry Deadline: The deadline for National Championship Catalog advertising and Dog Wagon/Social Hour sponsorships is March 1, 2019. Requests for additional information should be submitted to the National Championship Social Committee – Art Armbrust (toot444@aol.com), Ray Larrondo (basquohunter@aol.com) or Mike Patrick (cuttinwildkennels@yahoo.com).

TRUSTEE ASSIGMENTS: Tradition dictates that one BOT duty is to help organize and run the National Championships and in addition select Trustees are task with specific responsibilities. For the 2019 Nationals, the following individuals volunteered for the listed responsibilities.

A Committee of NGSPA Trustees - Chad Inderman, Mark Verdoorn, Dan DiMambro and Dean Crabbs - were appointed to act as the “2019 NGSPA National Championships Committee”.

Lori Rezzardi has again volunteered to be the Field Trial Secretary.

NGSPA Secretary Natalie Inderman agreed to act as the Social Committee, Chair Woman with a committee composed of Trustees, Art Armbrust, Ray Larrondo and Mike Patrick.

Trustee Chris Streitenberger agreed to be Official Scribe.

Stake Manager Duties were assigned as follows: Amateur Shooting Dog –Dan DiMambro, National Futurity– James Messer, National Championship – Art Armbrust and Jody Orndorff, Open Shooting Dog – Chris Streitenberger.

SUGGESTIONS: The BOT takes the running of the National Championships very seriously and is doing everything they can to make the Championships a success, but, in the end, the Championships belong to the participants. If you have suggestions, we welcome them.

UPCOMING PREVIEWS:

We will be sending out at least 1 more 2019 NGSPA National Championship Previews. **New information will be displayed in red when appearing for the first time.** All reviews will be published on the NGSPA Website (ngspa.org), in the GSP Chronicle and in the NGSPA Newsletter.

On Behalf of the NGSPA Board of Trustees,
By the 2019 NGSPA National Championships Committee
Chad Inderman, Mark Verdoorn, Dan DiMambro and Dean Crabbs