



Promoting responsibility and good sportsmanship in the breeding, training and exhibition of the Dutch Shepherd under the breed standard established and approved by the United Kennel Club in 1995.

Feb 2017 UPDATE

Happy
Anniversary!

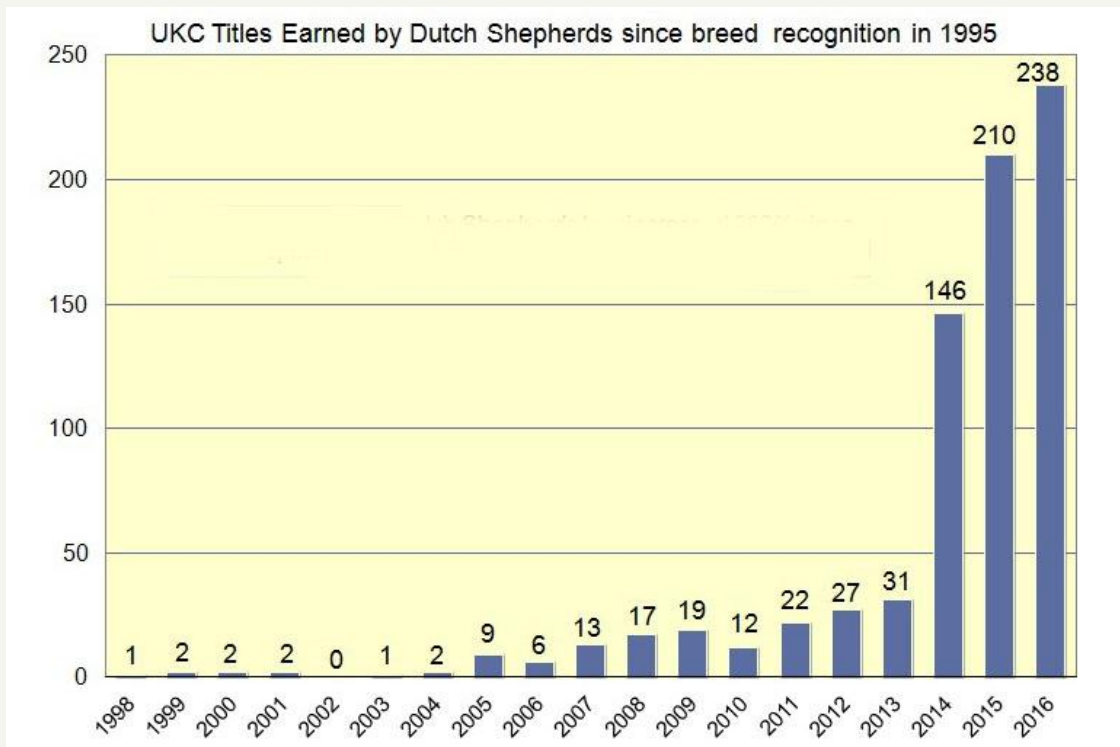


The Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America is turning five years old in 2017, having originally been created in 2012 to further the advancement of the Dutch Shepherd breed, to confer honor upon worthy Dutch Shepherd dogs and their owners/trainers, and to promote this remarkable breed in exhibition by aiding other Dutch Shepherd owners to attain UKC conformation and performance degrees through cooperative training and mutual support.

The DSDCA currently has 340 members overall, with 314 members in 47 US states and 26 members in 12 foreign countries. The Dutch Shepherd dog ownership totals at the time of joining our membership reflects 427 dogs, but these figures are somewhat fluid and I suspect more member owned dogs have been added since our roles began in 2012.

When reflecting on the Dutch Shepherd registration numbers provided by the UKC research department, we also see a dramatic increase in simple registration numbers since the inception of the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America. The number of permanently registered dogs under the age of 12 as of 2012 was 723 dogs, and that number has now increased 41% to a figure of 1020 dogs as of 2016.

The Dutch Shepherd participation figures in United Kennel Club dog events have also increased dramatically since the formation of the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America in 2012. Below is a graph which reflects 760 titles earned since the breed was recognized by the UKC in 1995 up through 2016. Note that 108 titles were awarded to Dutch Shepherds in the 17 year period from 1995 to 2011 (approximately 6 per year), with another 652 titles earned in the 5 year period since the DSDCA inception. This figure averages 130 per year and equals a 2067% increase!



A portion of these title numbers represent conformation champions. The United Kennel Club archives reflect 97 Breed Champions during the period of 1995 to 2016, with 32 dating from 1995 to 2011 (17 years averaging 1.8 per year) and an additional 65 after the

forming of the DSDCA in 2012 through 2016 (5 years averaging 13 per year) which equals a 622% increase. Only 3 Dutch Shepherds obtained Grand Champions during the 17 years from 1995 to 2011, but with the increased numbers of Dutch Shepherds participating in conformation events during the last five years, another 12 dogs have earned Grand Championships.

I believe it is safe to assume that the popularity of the Dutch Shepherd in UKC events has increased tremendously because of the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America members' influence in breeding, training and mentoring.

The United Kennel Club has finalized the year-end figures for 2016 and they reveal a whirlwind of activity by Dutch Shepherds accumulating 238 titles in a wide variety of UKC events. They are:

151 UNITED NOSEWORK TITLES

9-PTN: Pre-Trial Novice

6-NC: Novice Container

7-NI: Novice Interior

5-NE: Novice Exterior

6-NV: Novice Vehicle

6-NN: Novice Nosework

2-NHD: Novice Handler Discrimination

10-PTA: Pre-Trial Advanced

5-AC: Advanced Container

5-AI: Advanced Interior

4-AE: Advanced Exterior

4-AV: Advanced Vehicle

2-AN: Advanced Nosework

2-AHD: Advanced Handler Discrimination

10-PTS: Pre-Trial Superior

6-SC: Superior Container

5-SI: Superior Interior

7-SE: Superior Exterior

5-SV: Superior Vehicle

6-SN: Superior Nosework

8-PTM: Pre-Trial Master
3-MC: Master Container
3-MI: Master Interior
2-ME: Master Exterior
2-MV: Master Vehicle
2-MN: Master Nosework
6-PTE: Pre-Trial Elite
3-EC: Elite Container
2-EI: Elite Interior
3-EE: Elite Exterior
2-EV: Elite Vehicle
1-EN: Elite Nosework
1-EHD: Elite Handler Discrimination

33 UNITED OBEDIENCE TITLES

4-UCD: United Companion Dog
1-UCDX: United Companion Dog Excellent
1-UUDX: United Utility Dog Excellent
1-UOCH: United Obedience Trial Champion
9-URO1: United Rally Obedience 1
3-URO2: United Rally Obedience 2
2-URO3: United Rally Obedience 3
1-UROC: United Rally Obedience Champion
1-UROX: United Rally Obedience Excellent
7-SPOT: Socialized Pet Obedience Test
2-SPOT-ON: Socialized Pet Obedience Test – Outstanding Neighbor

25 UNITED CONFORMATION TITLES

21-CH: Champion
4-GRCH: Grand Champion

9 UNITED DOCK JUMPING TITLES

1-UJJ: United Junior Jumper
1-USJ: United Senior Jumper
1-USJCH: United Senior Jumper Champion
1-UMJCH: United Master Jumper Champion

1-UUJ: United Ultimate Jumper
1-GUJCH: Grand Ultimate Jumper Champion
1-USF: United Supreme Fetch-It
2-UUF: United Ultimate Fetch-It

8 UNITED AGILITY TITLES

5-UAGI: United Agility I
2-UAGII: United Agility II
1-UACH: United Agility Champion

6 BHA-BARN HUNT TITLES

3-RATN: Barn Hunt Novice
3-RATO: Barn Hunt Open

5 UNITED LURE COURSING TITLES

4-CA: Coursing Aptitude
1-CAX: Coursing Aptitude Excellent

1 UNITED WEIGHT PULL TITLE

1-UWP: United Weight Puller

TOP TEN BREED AND DOG STANDINGS FOR 2016

1. NBOB BISS BIMBS RBIMBS UAGI UNJCH EE EC EI SN NHD URO1 CA GRCH Cher Car's Gunpowder N Lace SPOT-ON - Maude Tank (39)
2. GRCH Tara Kamphuis Van Neerland - Judith Van Heugten Powell (28)
3. ROM-III RBIMBS PTS AN UAGI USF CA URO1 GSJCH GRCH Cher Car's Some Like It Hot - Kelly Reed Lucas (22)
4. GRCH Blackfrost River Bottom Cooper - Franklin P. Williams (18)
5. CH Vrijheid's Twist of Fate - Amanda Janicki (14)
6. CH Tarita's Quilla Bewyched Me SPOT - Tracy Kaecker (13)
7. CH Cher Car's Scrappy Doo - Brittany & Ryan Behm (12)
8. RBIMBS CH Cher Car's LaRue du Dragon Noir - Carole Field (10)

9. Cher Car's Dexter du Vandalia - Cheryl Carlson (9)

10. RBIMBS AI AC NN PTE CH Cher Car's American Freedom - Carolyn Muessman (8)

Notice that 4 of the TOP TEN Breed dogs also hold a combined number of 66 performance titles between them, proving the UKC "TOTAL DOG" mission statement of promoting "dogs that look AND perform equally well".

UKC ALL-STAR RANKINGS FOR 2016

UTILITY OBEDIENCE All-Stars (All Breed)

40. UUDX UOCH Springfalls Duchess - Pat Chery (6)

RALLY 1 OBEDIENCE All-Stars (All Breed)

38. RATN NN PTE URO1 Cher Car's Cloud Nine SPOT - Sean Kent (44)

UAD 2016 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RANKINGS

National CATCH-IT Champion (All Breed)

UUJCH SN PTE UMJ CHER CAR'S STRAIGHT SHOT - LINDA RINGLE

National FETCH-IT 17-20' Champion (All Breed)

UNJ CH CHER CAR'S ME AND MY ARROW - CHERYL CARLSON

National SENIOR Jumper Champion (All Breed)

UNJ CH CHER CAR'S ME AND MY ARROW - CHERYL CARLSON

National MASTER Jumper Champion (All Breed)

USJ CHER CAR'S CRIMINAL INTENT - KURT HEBELER

National CHECKERS Jumper Vice-Champion (All Breed)

NBOB BISS BIMBS RBIMBS UAGI UNJCH EE EC EI SN NHD URO1 CA GRCH CHER CAR'S GUNPOWDER N LACE SPOT-ON – MAUDE TANK

The Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America is one of only 19 United Kennel Club National Breed Associations and our presentation of breed statistics is more in depth than any other UKC National Breed Club. The DSDCA website lists **all** UKC titles earned by Dutch Shepherds since UKC recognition in 1995, and also lists member dog's titles in other registries and sports (when reported by owners). These records are open to the reading

public on our website and do not require a members only password to view as other breed clubs do.

The DSDCA has established a Register of Merit (ROM) program to acknowledge the contribution of outstanding Dutch Shepherd Sires and Dams in proven ability to produce working aptness and versatility in their UKC registered offspring. The manner of measuring rank in the Registry of Merit requires both conformation titles and performance titles to be earned by progeny (using figures supplied by the UKC research department) and places higher value on performance titles... thus promoting the UKC Total Dog philosophy rewarding dogs that look AND perform equally well.

The DSDCA actively supports health related breed studies and recently participated with Mars Veterinary in gathering DNA samples to develop canine genetic analysis testing for the Dutch Shepherd breed. We are also working with the University of Minnesota in gathering additional DNA samples for genome sequencing in a myopathy study in Dutch Shepherds. Our website also lists year end statistic data compiled by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals for Dutch Shepherds (cardiac, degenerative myelopathy, dentition, elbow, eyes, hips, multiple drug resistance, patella and thyroid) and returns a search for all OFA Disease Statistics and Data for the DUTCH SHEPHERD breed listed alphabetically by dog name.

The DSDCA has previously hosted Dutch Shepherd Specialties in 2013, 2014 and 2015, and held the first Dutch Shepherd National Specialty (with breed seminar) in March 2016. The DSDCA.org website has been a source of information and reference for our membership since 2012, and we also regularly correspond with our membership in the form of quarterly newsletters (which are archived on our website) and through social media on the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America facebook page (which currently has 6827 followers). Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America members have even presented this wonderful breed to worldwide television audiences during invitation-only events such as the Purina Pro Plan Incredible Dog Challenge, the ESPN X-Games and Late Night with David Letterman.

We believe these facts and figures show remarkable promotion and growth of Dutch Shepherd involvement in UKC dog events since the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America inception in 2012, and when compared to the relatively low number of registered Dutch Shepherd dogs, these figures become astronomical.

In the year 2017, the UKC Dutch Shepherd roles will meet a major milestone by tabulating its 100th breed champion. (This is one of the newer UKC requirements for National Breed Associations, although the DSDCA was granted Provisional Breed Association status prior to this rule being implemented.) We have already satisfied other Association requirements of obtaining a minimum of 200 UKC titles (by a lot... we show 760). Requirements that membership be “distributed nationally in a minimum of 25 different households” and membership “must own a minimum of 150 UKC registered dogs of this breed” have also been more than satisfied. The UKC also wants the membership to include a “Minimum of 5 breeders with documentation of breeding three generations of registered dogs of this breed”. Although 39 DSDCA members identify themselves as breeders, there are 9 breeder members who have bred 3 generations of Dutch Shepherds with 37 champions and 8 Grand Champions (40% of all CH/GRCH to date) produced amongst themselves.

The Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America is well on its way to satisfying the requirements to obtain full National Breed Association status thanks to all the wonderful accomplishments of our DSDCA members. The UKC will review our qualifications and breed accomplishments in 2019. Until then, we hope you will continue to enjoy, compete, promote and simply love your beautiful Dutch Shepherd dogs!



*Join the
Celebration!*

**UKC Dutch Shepherd
National Specialty
April 7, 2017**



Held in conjunction
with the

UKC MICHIGAN CLASSIC

Ingham County Fairgrounds
700 E. Ash Street
Mason, Michigan 48854

www.DSDCA.org

DSDCA EVENTS

DSDCA ELSEWHERE

Recent DSDCA Events

Click link above to view PICTURES from
our March 2016 Dutch Shepherd



FOLLOW on FACEBOOK

NATIONAL Specialty in Mason, Michigan

Upcoming DSDCA Events

Click link above for information about
upcoming DSDCA events.

 [VISIT our WEBSITE](#)

**Not yet a Member? Click here to
join the Dutch Shepherd Dog
Club of America**



2016-CaroleField

 **Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America™**
UKC National Breed Club: USA-123 CON NA www.DSDCA.org

Copyright © 2017 Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America, All rights reserved.

You are receiving this email because you are a member of the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America, you are a valued sponsor or supporter, you have provided knowledge and time towards bettering the Dutch Shepherd breed, you are a member organization of the United Kennel Club, you have received complimentary membership status by virtue of purchasing a UKC registered Dutch Shepherd from one of our breeder members or you opted in at our website www.DSDCA.org to receive the Dutch Shepherd Dog Club of America newsletter and emails.