



North Country Gordon Setter Club of Minnesota, Inc.

**TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB....**

*North Country offers the following memberships:*

**INDIVIDUAL** – *Open to persons eighteen years of age or older. Individual members may enjoy all the privileges of the Club including voting and Board membership.*

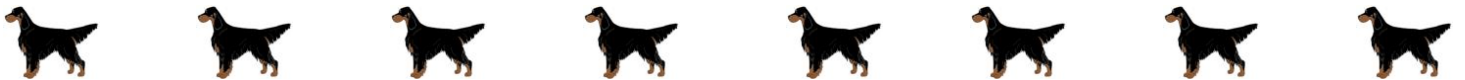
**JOINT** – *Open to two persons eighteen years of age or older, who reside in the same household. Each joint member may enjoy all the privileges of the Club including voting and Board membership.*

**ASSOCIATE** – *Open to persons eighteen years of age or older. Associate members may enjoy all the privileges of the Club excluding voting and Board membership. Associate members would be included in all Club activities and would receive the Newsletter.*

**JUNIOR** – *Open to persons ten to seventeen years of age or older. Junior members may enjoy all the privileges of the Club excluding voting and Board membership. They may convert to Individual membership upon reaching their eighteenth birthday, without reapplication. Junior members would be included in Club activities and receive the Newsletter.*



*Each application is read at the first meeting of the Club following its receipt. At the next Club meeting the applications will be voted upon. Affirmative votes of 2/3 of the members present, voting by secret ballot, at that meeting, are required to elect the applicant.*



*Should you have questions regarding your application, please contact the Club Membership Chair whose address appears at the bottom of the application form.*

# NORTH COUNTRY GORDON SETTER CLUB OF MINNESOTA, INC.

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP



I/We hereby apply for membership in the North Country Gordon Setter Club of Minnesota, Inc., and agree to abide by its By-Laws and Code of Ethics. In accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws, payment is enclosed in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ membership for the year ending December 31, 20\_\_.

### ANNUAL DUES

January 1 – December 31

Individual -- \$25.00

Joint -- \$35.00

Associate -- \$20.00

Junior -- \$5.00

### EACH APPLICANT MUST SIGN UNDER CODE OF ETHICS ON REVERSE SIDE.

FIRST APPLICANT:

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND APPLICANT:

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION : \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE:( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ KENNEL NAME (IF ANY): \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the information below about any dog(s) you own. (Use additional sheet to complete list if necessary.)

• NAME (AKC): \_\_\_\_\_

CALL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BREED: \_\_\_\_\_ MALE [ ] FEMALE [ ]

SIRE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAM: \_\_\_\_\_

• NAME (AKC): \_\_\_\_\_

CALL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BREED: \_\_\_\_\_ MALE [ ] FEMALE [ ]

SIRE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAM: \_\_\_\_\_

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SIRE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAM: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out and sign reverse side.

I/We are: Breeder(s): [ ] Exhibitor(s): [ ] Interested Dog Owner(s): [ ]

If breeders, what breeds of dog do you breed? \_\_\_\_\_

**Areas of Interest:**

Conformation [ ] Obedience [ ]

Field [ ] Agility [ ]

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Committees on which I/we would be willing to serve:**

Field [ ] Hospitality [ ] Specialty [ ]

Newsletter [ ] Rescue [ ]

**CODE OF ETHICS**

This Code of Ethics outlines the essentials of responsible behavior for Gordon Setter owners and potential breeders, whose foremost aim should be the welfare of their dogs and of the breed. Members of North Country Gordon Setter Club of Minnesota, Inc. (NCGSC) agree to abide by the club's constitution which in Article I defines the objectives of the club as follows:

"[a] To promote the breeding of pure bred black and tan Gordon Setters and to develop and bring to perfection their natural high qualities. [b] To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Gordon Setters shall be judged. [c] To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed...."

In addition NCGSC members agree to:

- Comply with all American Kennel Club requirements and regulations.
- Maintain their dogs in a healthy and clean condition, providing regular veterinary care, proper housing, appropriate social experience, and regular exercise in a safe area.
- Behave in a sportsmanlike manner and not deliberately disparage other owners, exhibitors or breeders, or their dogs.
- Breed only with the intention of improving the breed, planning each litter with this goal in mind, using parents of appropriate qualities in relation to the official standard and description of the breed, physical soundness and temperament. Before producing a litter, breeder will consider proper placement of puppies they cannot keep.
- Recognize, when breeding a litter, they have a responsibility to provide for the welfare of all dogs bred by them for the lifetime those dogs in the event that an owner can no longer care for a dog.
- Sell Gordon Setters, permit stud service, and lease studs or bitches only to individuals who give satisfactory evidence that they are in accord with this Code of Ethics.
- Not sell or consign Gordon Setter to commercial breeders, retailers, or research laboratories, nor supply dogs for raffles, prizes, auctions or other such projects.
- When advertising, state only facts: not offer Gordon Setters at bargain prices, or in any way encourage raising Gordon Setters as a money-making enterprise.
- Members may state in advertising: "Member of the North Country Gordon Setter Club of Minnesota."

The GORDON SETTER CLUB OF AMERICA is the organization for Gordon Setters and their owners at the national level. It represents us at the American Kennel Club; encourages research into medical problems; organizes the country wide rescue network; publishes a newsletter with news of activities nationwide. In order to be informed Gordon owner, you are encouraged to become a GSCA member. (GSCA membership is required to serve on the NCGSC Board.) Applications are available from the NCGSC membership chair.

SIGNATURE OF FIRST APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF SECOND APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF FIRST SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF SECOND SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

Send application to membership chair: Pat Larson, 3896 South Shore Road, Webster, MN 54893 rogerlar@centurytel.net