During 2005 the final version of the Longevity Certificate program was approved by the GPCA Board. Procedures to file for the certificate, the application form and a certificate were all approved. The forms and procedures were published in the GPCA Bulletin and are available on the GPCA Health Committee website. A database has been set up to store the information recorded on the application forms.

At the end of 2005 a total of **24 completed** applications had been received by the Longevity chairperson and certificates were mailed to the owners of the dogs. Of the total 6 dogs were still living and the others had died. The oldest dogs (2) were 14 years & 6 months at the time of their deaths. Of the 6 living dogs, 2 were 13 at the time the applications were submitted. All of the applications either included a health survey or the owner indicated that a health survey had been submitted in the past. Owners submitted applications for 19 dogs and breeder/owners submitted applications for 5 dogs (a number of dogs were owned by breeders, but bred by someone else so those dogs are included in the 19). Of the total 9 were champions, 2 were in a HOF and 6 had CGC/TDI and/or obedience and agility titles.

The names of the first 12 dogs with their owners, breeders, and age noted have already been published in the GPCA BULLETIN. The remaining 12 dogs will be published in the next issue.

In asking about the health surveys that existed on my own dogs, I discovered that the database manager only had information on 1 dog (submitted in 2002). None of the information that I had submitted prior to 2002 was available to the current data base manager. Since some of the members who applied for a certificate indicated that they had submitted surveys prior to 2002,

I am assuming that this information is also not in the current health survey data base. I am wondering how we should handle this question. Should we ask members to complete a new survey or is there a way to transfer this information from where ever it is stored to the data base that we are currently using?

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