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## for


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## NSDTC



## 8 October 2016

Helena Baculakova with Hazel
Matthew Bennie with Tilly
Lachlan \& Lainie Cannell with Wally
Geoff Dahlsen with Razor
Don Darkin with Ted
Chloe Edwards \& Matthew \& Alice Royds with Snowy
Christine \& Geoff Goss with Narla Amanda Hoffman with Tori
Julie Jandura \& Andrew Hughes with
Jerry
Anne Lawrence \& John Whitfield with
Bonnie
Mark \& Jo Leadbetter with Billy
Melinda \& Paul Michel with Lucy
Naomi, Tim \& Isaac Morse \& Cindy
Larson with Pepper
Petra Naglitsch with Kobi
Louise \& John Patrick with Winnie
Nicole \& Eliza Phillips with Bailey
Anne Procee with River Rose
Jane, Susan \& Darroch Richardson with
Bonnie \& Poppy
Gaylene, Zoe \& Carl Riminton with Marco Ashwin, Rahul \& Rohan Singh with
Tyson
Forde Smith with Lola
Tamara Wright with Roland

## 22 October 2016

Donna, Lawrence \& Dominic Borg with Maverick
Anthony Butcher with Tango Leanne \& Charlie Carter with Max

Stephanie \& Samantha Clunies-Ross with Bailey
Stephen Hill \& Elizabeth Latimer-Hill with Smudge
Glenys Withers \& Alysha Bullpitt with Bella

## 5 November 2016

Kimberley Barry with Cyril
Donna Carruthers with Chloe
John \& Alex Clelland with Kip
Michael Cooper \& Carolyn Bagster with
Thea
Veronica Cuthbertson \& Don Mattaio with
Ellie
Jeanette, William, Anna \& Mike Dale with
Chester
Monique \& Nick King \& Beau Johns with
Vito
George Lo \& Yvonne Kuan with Dory
Wayde Matthew \& Chantelle Howarth with
Duke
Britt, Flynn \& Darren Oltrogger with Ollie Tim Person \& Jules Truda with Willow Jennifer Renwick with Mollie Mark Williams \& Anna Rich with Stormy Rosemary \& Graeme Williams with Ella Patricia Wren with Scruff

## 7 December 2016

Lilia Draganov with Jackson
Beverley \& Robert Garrity with Barney
Chris Goubar with Arya
Rafael Reyes \& Aldonza \& Sebastian
Roman-Reyes with Kujali
Felicity Wells with Bear

## Reminder for all Members

## All members MUST wear their badges when in class.

New members - before your second lesson, please collect your name badge from the enrolment table on the club house veranda.
If you lose your badge or forget to bring your badge, go to the enrolment table, you will be given a temporary one.

## What Class am I in?

On your first day at the club you will start in one the following groups

for New Members with
puppies under 9 months

## First Class

for New Members with dogs 9 months old \& over

After your first lesson, your classes are called
Puppy Class - Weeks 2, 3, 4, 5 \& 6 or First Class - Weeks 2, 3 \& 4
Every new member is given a GREEN LEAD - please use them in class

## FREE TALK \& DEMO The Importance of GROOMING YOUR DOG <br> Ann \& Julia from Annabelle's K9 Styling

## They'll show \& tell the secrets about caring for your dog

Topics like bathing: feet \& nail care (for the nervous!): trimming around pads, etc. Brushes, combs \& rakes.

Both are members of the RFS \& will give tips on how to prepare \& manage in times of bushfire or evacuation

# Date: Wednesday 15 March 2017 Where: In the club house Time: 7.30pm 

## Heat stress - a veterinary emergency

Symptoms of Heat Stress

- Sluggish \& unwilling to move
- Rapid \& forced panting
- Rapid pulse
- Staggering
- Vomiting
- Collapse \& unconsciousness
- Glazed eyes •Convulsions

First Aid treatment

- Cool ASAP with cool, but not iced water - especially back of head \& neck, groin \& armpits.
- After initial First Aid cooling, transport immediately to the nearest vet.


## Congratulations on your promotion

### 13.8.16

Susi Rusli \& Kirin
Ellie Gordon \& Blackjack
20.8.16

Rebecca Braid \& Ky
Sue Williams \& Brulee
Sue Goswell \& Maggie
27.8.16

Stephen Flannigan \& Romeo
Vickie Gore \& Bella
Steven Si \& Nala
Melanie Fennell \& Sasha
Sue Robertson \& Jasper
Kathy Kaldon \& AJ
3.9.16

Darcy Kane \& Bosco
Jay Bursten \& Terra
Izchak Fisher \& Bella
Laura Mahoney \& Murphy
10.9.16

Anne Adams \& Ruby
Annastasia Louks \& Dixie
17.9.16

Julie Hunter \& Neo
Thomas Casey \& Bear 8.10.16

Eleanor Wilson \& Rebel
Elizabeth Bowden \& Kenzie
Julie Wright \& Penny
Naoko Konishih \& Maru
Alison Flannigan \& Romeo

Susi Rusli \& Kirin
Wendy Jones \& Harper
Sue Williams \& Brulee
Lisa Allshire \& Winston
Sarah Bryce \& Mimi
15.10.16

Yvonne \& Warwick Wilson \& Willow
Hayley Franklin \& Perrin
Ellie Gordon \& Blackjack
Emily Hatton \& Archie
Marianne Marin \& Daisy
22.10.16

Phil Palagas \& ?
Izchak Fisher \& Bella
Eva Ford \& Pebbles
5.11.16

Priska Hennggeler \& Annie
Nerida Priestly \& Lillie
Kelly Jawerth \& Bandit
Leigh Hodgkinson \& Tashka
Anna Butcher \& Crumb
19.11.16

Catherine Crouch \& Pepper
26.11.16

Marie D'Souza \& Rexie
Anita St Clair \& Alex
Max Morris \& Harry


Congratulations
Linda Lee \& Helix
They gained their Delta Therapy Dog Qualification \& are now enriching the lives of people in nursing homes or hospitals


Keebah Trophy Excellence in Trialling Penny Dalzell \& Zypperty

Rally Obedience Alaina Graham \& Sophi




Junior Member of the Year Josh O'Meally \& Bentley

Obedience Jan Evans \& Hero (No photo available)


Dances with Dogs Gila Levy \& Tessa

## Congratulations

## Ku-ring-gai K9 Awards were presented to 22 members \& their dogs by Mayor Jennifer Anderson




KK9 Dog of the Year Award Helen Smith \& Pippa presented by
Mayor Jennifer Anderson


KK9 Encouragement Award Annastasia Loucks \& Dixie presented by Jonathon O'Dea MP

# 2016 Christmas Party 



Wonderful costumes!
We have some very imaginative members!


A huge thank you to 'MC' Sarah, our fantastic party organiser




## a happy \& healthy



# Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs Novice \& Open 

with Judge Ms Lynne Elliott


Congratulations to the Winners on 14 January 2017


Rally Advanced A \& B \& Excellent B with Judge Miss Tiki Freizer

## Rally Obedience Trial



Rally Excellent A \& Novice with Judge Ms Maryanne Fazekas


Rally Master
with Judge Mrs Linda Dibbin

# NSDTC Rally Obedience Trial \& Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs 

## 14 January 2017

After a very hot day, the evening breeze, that St Ives Showground is famous for, arrived just in time for the start of judging in the Rally O rings.
Judging by the many comments \& compliments we received, the trial \& test were a success \& enjoyed by the competitors. Hopefully all will come back again on 30 April for our Annual Obedience \& Rally Obedience Trial.

Our wonderful judges were Lynne Elliott for Gundogs \& Linda Dibbin, Tiki Freizer \& Maryanne Fazekas for Rally O.

Peter Coulthart was our Dogs NSW Representative. We always take great pleasure in welcoming Peter as part of the team.

The Trial Sub Committee, Manager Tracy Geary: Secretary Ginny Legh, Chief Steward Gael Goldsack \& Trophy Officer Denise Wigney want to say a huge thank you to all the club members who assisted with the myriad pre-trial day tasks, liaising with Council, setting up rings, checking \& moving equipment, manning the check in table, stewarding in the rings, catering for officials \& competitors, doing the admin tasks, etc, etc, etc.

Without the assistance \& expertise given by our wonderful, willing \& dedicated volunteers, Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club could not run a trial.

Special thanks to Sharon Househam who works her magic to produce the catalogue \& the templates for printing the Qualifying Certificates.

Extra special thanks to Kim Dowding \& Andy Seitz who spent 3 hours on a very hot Friday measuring \& marking out the rings, then fronted again on Saturday afternoon to put up the Rally O \& RATG rings with help from John Jonker \& Anna Uther.
As usual, our terrific \& imaginative catering team, Kay Hogan \& Sharon Househam, excelled in providing a fabulous official dinner \& lots of great food for the competitors. Thank you both so much.

A special thank you to Lana Partridge for providing a tempting finger food spread, on site, for the RATG judge \& stewards.

Special thanks to Eve Park, who single handedly checked the score cards \& marked up the catalogue needed as part of the package for Dogs NSW.

A special \& big thank you to Ray Temple who organised everything relating to RATG.
Penny Dalzell organised a raffle to raise money for the Club's upcoming Dances with Dogs Competition. The raffle raised $\$ 230.00$ ! Our thanks to Eve Ryan who was a very successful raffle ticket seller.

The Sub Committee thanks Guy Thomas from Ku-ring-gai Council for ensuring the floodlights were not turned off before the agreed time. Last year two dogs had to be judged under car head lights!!

## Rally Obedience Trial

We had 101 Rally O entries.
Maryanne Fazekas judged Excellent A \& Novice
Tiki Freizer judged Excellent B, Advanced A \& B
Linda Dibbin judged Rally Master
Sixteen dogs qualified in Novice, three in Advanced A, five in Advanced B, three in Excellent A, four in Excellent B \& nine in Master.

Overall this equates to approximately a $40 \%$ pass rate.
Twenty two club members entered. Between them they gained seventeen qualifications (for those not familiar with Rally O they gained a pass mark!)

Congratulations to our club members who gained places -
Novice: Nicole Keller \& Flare $1^{\text {st }}$ place \& Pauline Camp \& Lucy $2^{\text {nd }}$ place
Advanced A: Emma Mayne \& Mia $1^{\text {st }}$ place
Advanced B: Alaina Graham \& Luci $1^{\text {st }}$ place \& Alaina Graham \& Sophi $3^{\text {rd }}$ place Excellent B: Alaina Graham \& Sophi $2^{\text {nd }}$ place

## Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs (RATG)

Our thanks to Ray Temple who did a great job organising all aspects of the RATG component of the event.

Our RATG judge \& stewards were treated to a fine finger food spread, on site, thanks to Lana Partridge.

RATG commenced at 5.00 pm with the retrieving exercises being undertaken first to ensure all dogs competed in daylight. Only those who qualified in these exercises went on to do the obedience component.

Overall there were 19 entries - 10 in RATG Novice, 9 in RATG Open. This is a large increase for both levels in the second year RATG has been held in conjunction with the Rally Obedience Trial.

Four dogs qualified in RATG Novice. Three qualified in RATG Open.
Congratulations to our club members who gained places or qualified RATG Novice: Arun Raghu \& Jerry $2^{\text {nd }}$ place \& Victoria Gore \& Bella qualified. RATG Open: Ray Temple \& Rebel $1^{\text {st }}$ place

## My first experience of being a RATG competitor

 Rebecca BraidIt was a hot Saturday as Ray, Sue \& Bob set up the runs for the RATG (Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs). Our judge was Lynne Elliot.
There have been many RATG's at NSDTC \& in January 2017 we were all ready to give it a go due to Ray Temple's fantastic instruction.
The novice team was understandably very nervous as we ran through our pre trial exercises Ray has taught us to do to get our dogs ready. It was exciting to see both novice \& open entrants from all over come for the day \& we had wonderful support on the throwers by Sue \& Kala. The day began with a tricky retrieve over a large jump. All dogs entered, except two, attempted the run with many of the dogs going around the jump to get the dummy rather than straight out \& over \& straight back. My Goldie decided that the water near the food table was more to her liking than the dummy.
After some wonderful finger food, made by Lana, we moved on to the next part of the trial. The second retrieve was 70 metres \& all dogs entered attempted the run with some wonderful results. The dogs running in Open had the added difficulty of a double retrieve with the second dummy not being seen by the dog. Of course the boss (Ray) \& his dog Rebel, ran a near perfect run \& showed everyone how it's done.
We then moved to the rings near the club house to finish the trial with some obedience work. All dogs entered did so well we had a tie for first in Novice. Jerry, (our own NSDTC member) handled by Arun \& his mum, had to play off against a visiting GSP who eventually won the day placing Jerry second in Novice.
Ray Temple took out first in the Open section much to the joy of our club members. The boss deserved the win. Well done all entrants \& many thanks to all who volunteered to make the day a success for our Gundogs.
To Ginny Legh who manages to keep us all organised \& to Tracy Geary, what a great Trial for NSDTC Rally O \& Gundog work.

## A Healthy Dog <br> is <br> a Happy Dog

## Paralysis ticks are alive \& well Check your dog daily

- Use your finger tips to go over every millimetre of your dog's body. Remember to include ears, eyelids, nostrils, inside lip margins, around anus \& vulva or penis \& between toes \& around nail beds.
- If you find a tick, remove it immediately. You can use a tick hook (available from pet shops \& pharmacies). Observe your dog very closely for the next 48 hours.
- If you notice any change in voice, any vomiting or gagging, wobbly walking, cough or difficulty breathing, get your dog to a vet ASAP.
- Tick paralysis can cause death.
- Do not rely solely on preventative medications or tick collars - they help but do not provide 100\% protection. Use your eyes \& fingers.

Don't' know what paralysis ticks look like? Check the chart in the club house.

## Reward based training

## What is it?

Reward based training uses positive reinforcement training methods. A suitable reward is provided every time your puppy performs a desired behaviour. Unwanted behaviours are ignored \& not rewarded \& will eventually self extinguish.

## What does it do?

Reward based training results in your puppy being happy \& keen to learn. They'll really enjoy working with you. They'll listen to you, pay attention \& focus on you. Learning becomes an easy \& pleasurable experience for all.

## Types of rewards

Rewards for puppies come in many guises such as food, your voice, pats, cuddles \& toys.

## Value of rewards

Each puppy places a different value on each type of reward. Some much prefer food or toys, some really like pats \& cuddles, some react most positively to your voice.

Food treats need to be very tasty, completely different to the food they get every day \& it's best to have a selection in your treat bag. Being offered the same thing over \& over, during an hour long class, can result in your pup losing interest.
When training your pup at home, each session should last no longer than 5 minutes.

## So how do you reward your pup appropriately?

- choose foods that your pup sees as high value treats. Some of the favourites are devon, cooked chicken or sausages, small meaty scraps from a leg of lamb, a beef roast or a steak \& a little cheddar cheese
- give treats generously \& use a happy sounding voice when teaching \& practising all exercises whether you're at home, out on walks or in a leash free park
- food treats for puppies should be tiny, really tiny - no bigger than your little finger nail. You'll find you can quickly give your pup 2-3 treats of this size \& they'll think they've hit the jackpot
- jackpots - if your pup does something really well, then quickly reward them with your voice, lots of pats \& cuddles \& feed 5-6 treats in quick succession. Use the cue word jackpot pups soon learn the meaning of the word \& will get really excited whenever you say it
- all rewards must be given within a couple of seconds of the wanted behaviour occurring otherwise they won't know what they're being rewarded for
- use a bridging or marker word, like yes, to instantly mark the moment when your pup did the right thing. Pups soon learn to love the sound of this praise word
- jackpots \& enthusiastic praise are wonderful ways of waking up a lagging or bored pup (but make sure they've really earned it - ask them to do an exercise you know they do well, so you can excitedly give them a jackpot)
- as you progress further with their training you'll stop luring, but make sure you always have tiny treats at the ready \& give them generously
- start by randomising the giving of treats \& intersperse them with voice only rewards, in other words you'll keep your pup guessing as to when the next treat will appear
- once your pup knows the exercise you can reward with yes every time they do it correctly \& randomise the giving of treats even more
- always remember, a particularly good response should earn a jackpot.


## Gun Dog Training

## Do you want to train your gundog to retrieve? Join our gundog classes on Wednesday nights

Time: 6.30 Advanced 7.30pm Beginners Dog Ring1 St Ives Showground

Contact person Ray Temple: 0408836753 email: ray@goldpaws.com.au

## 8 <br> Dances with Dogs Classes

First Wednesday of each month at 6.30-7.30pm
Contact Instructor: Penny Dalzell pdalzell@bigpond.net.au

## Rally 0 Monday night training Sessions start on 6 February 2017

### 7.00-8.30pm

Courses for all levels especially those intending to trial
Club members in 2nd class \& above
 are welcome
Contact Instructor: Ginny Legh 94891554

Please remember that it is a Dogs NSW requirement that all handlers should wear sensible footwear on the grounds and in class.
For safety reasons, high-heeled shoes, thongs, scuffs, sandals or bare feet are not acceptable.

## All you'll need to know

- New Members - enrolment between 2.15-2.45pm every second Saturday. Please check the website for enrolment day dates. Enrolment on line now available.
- All dogs must be FULLY IMMUNISED (Veterinary Certificate required plus 2 weeks from date of last vaccination). Please read NSDTC Vaccination Policy overleaf.
- Junior Members are 12 to 15 years of age.
- Training equipment (leads, training collars, etc) can be purchased at the Clubhouse.


## MEMBERSHIP FEES

- 1 June to 31 October - $\$ 120$
- 1 November to 31 January - \$80
- 1 February to 31 May - $\$ 60$
- If training more than one dog -
$\$ 20.00$ extra per annum for second dog, third or more free
- Pensioners, Juniors, Instructors \& Management Committee members $\$ 30.00$ (no half yearly concessions)
ANNUAL RENEWAL of MEMBERSHIP is due by 30 June each year.
YAPS \& YELPS: The Club journal is available at the enrolment table or can be viewed on our website www.nsdogtraining
Articles are welcomed \& may be left at the table or emailed to ginny.l@tpg.com.au

TRAINING is held in the Dog Rings at St Ives Showground every Saturday, February - November inclusive. NB. No training on Public Holidays

New member intakes for First \& Puppy Classes - every second Saturday.
Please arrive by 2.15 pm so paper work can be completed prior to start of 3.00 pm classes
Before starting Agility - dogs must be at least 1 year old \& in Third Class or above New memberships for Agility can only be accepted on Saturday afternoons

> Enquiries re joining the Club: Ginny Legh 94891554
> Membership enquiries: Pam Rutledge pamru@bigpond.net.au

Clubhouse telephone number 0415204304 (Saturdays only)
Please note this telephone has no message recording facility \& will only be answered during training times if the ring tone is heard by someone in the Clubhouse.

## NSDTC Inc VACCINATION POLICY <br> Up-dated September 2010

NSDTC requires a minimum C3 (distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus) vaccination administered after the age of 12 weeks for all puppies less than 12 months old.
Please Note. A delay of two weeks after the final puppy vaccinations is required before puppies are permitted to join classes.

- All adult dogs (over 12 months old) joining or renewing, must have had at least a C3 vaccination administered after 12 months of age. Triennial (3-yearly) C3 vaccination is considered acceptable thereafter.
- Dogs joining or renewing over the age of 4 years that have not had a C3 vaccination in the preceding 3 years must be referred to the Club Vet officer or official nominee.
- Veterinary certificates showing adequate antibody titres* to distemper, hepatitis \& parvovirus will be accepted by NSDTC for all adult dogs as long as they are dated within the preceding 12 months.
*Adequate antibody titres for distemper, hepatitis \& parvovirus are considered to be >1:20
- As Bordetella \& Parainfluenza (both agents causing canine cough) are not generally life threatening to healthy dogs, these vaccinations would be optional, but recommended \& owners are reminded these may be required by boarding kennels.
- All vaccination \& antibody titre certificates must be signed by a registered veterinary surgeon.
- Homeopathic 'vaccinations' will not be accepted.


## PARKING

## - Please park on the LEFT of the road as you enter the showground or near the picnic area beside the Douglas Pickering Pavilion.

- The parking area on the right, nearer the Clubhouse, is for 'on duty' Club Members who need to leave their dogs in the car, carry equipment, etc. Thank you.


## CLUB \& USE of GROUND GUIDELINES

These guidelines are for the benefit of all members \& the general public who use St Ives Showground.

- All dogs must be on lead during club training times (except when off lead work is directed by an instructor during class).
- Dog droppings must be cleaned up \& placed in a bin.
- Always wear your name tag.
- The dog rings are a leash free area EXCEPT on Saturdays.
- The main oval may be used for leash free exercise, so long as no other organised event is taking place.

PATRONS
Mayor of Ku-ring-gai
Dr Jim Thompson Mr J O'Dea State MP for Davidson

## COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

## OFFICE BEARERS

President:
Club Secretary:
Treasurer:
Vice Presidents:
Chief Instructors:

| Kim Dowding | 96532045 |
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| Gael Goldsack | 94873656 |
| (Postal Address - PO Box 426 Turramurra 2074) |  |
| Phil Palangas | 96533470 |
| Vickie Dean | 0411751186 |
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| Judy Perrin | 94497388 |
|  | (Obedience) |

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Assistant Treasurer:
Clubhouse Coordinator/Catering:
Committee (general):
Club Librarians:
DWD Coordinator:
Ku-ring-gai K9 Co-ordinator:
Membership Secretary:
Membership Team Members:
Newsletter Editor \& Archives:
Obedience Demo Team Coordinator:
Rally O Coordinator:
Social Secretary:
Title Trophy Mementos Officer:
Training Equipment (sales) Officer:
Training \& Trial Equipment Officer:
Website \& Publicity Officer:

Gale Coutts
Rebecca Braid
Eve Park
Penny Dalzell, Virginia Pennefather \& Eve Park
Penny Dalzell
Sharon Househam
Pam Rutledge
Lana Partridge \& Anne Adams
Ginny Legh
Penny Dalzell
Ginny Legh
Sarah Bryce
Karin Bridge
Gale Coutts
John Jonker
Melinda Duker

Obedience, Rally O \& RATG Trial Sub Committee
Trial Manager:
Trial Secretary: Ginny Legh (Chair)
Chief Steward: Gael Goldsack
Trophy Officer:

Kim Dowding

Denise Wigney

Agility Trial Sub Committee
Trial Manager:
Jane Hampel
Trial Secretary:
Chief Steward:
Trophy Officer:

Tsuey Hiu (Chair)
Karin Bridge
Maggie Young

Trial Equipment Officers: Andy Seitz \& John Jonker Trial Catering Officers: Kay Hogan \& Sharon Househam

## Education Sub Committee

Sally Stawman (Chair), Karin Bridge, Gael Goldsack, Jennifer Hamilton, Sharon Housham, Judy Perrin \& Pat Walsh

Dances with Dogs Sub Committee
Penny Dalzell \& Ginny Legh

Inter-club Challenge Coordinator
Penny Dalzell

## NSDTC DOGGY DIARY DATES



Sat 4 Feb New members intake
Sat 11 Feb Normal Training
Sat 18 Feb New members intake
Sat 25 Feb Normal Training
General Meeting 4.00pm

Sat 4 Mar New members intake Promotion test day 2.00-3.00pm
Sat 11 Mar Normal Training
Sat 18 Mar New members intake
Wed 22 Mar Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Sat 25 Mar Normal Training
Trial steward training 4.00pm

Sat 1 Apr New members intake Promotion test day 2.00-3.00pm Instructors meeting 4.15pm
Sat 8 Apr Normal Training
Trial steward training 12.30pm
Sat 15 Apr NO TRAINING - Easter Saturday
Sat 22 Apr New members intake
General Meeting 4.00pm
Sat 29 Apr Normal Training
Sun 30 Apr NSDTC Obedience \& Rally Obedience Trial


The minutes of General Meetings can be viewed on the noticeboard in the Club House

