

# Yaps & Yelps

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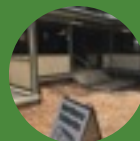
**Journal of Northern Suburbs  
Dog Training Club**



First Training Day 2018  
3rd February



Karin Bridge  
Free Talk on  
Clicker Training  
14th March



General Meeting  
Saturday 24th February

# Welcome New Members

## 07 October 2017

Peter Abbey with Coco  
Lyn Andary with Callie  
Maria Berarducci with Tucker  
Sharon Chim with Bobby  
Marek and Dominika with Bowie  
David Farrugia with Eddy  
Gail Goff with Rupert  
Chris and Lauren Hayward with Cooper  
Kaylene Jacques with Charlie  
Elle Johnson with Milo  
Maxim, Tasha and Suzanne Naseby with Ollie  
Jessica Mellon with Flame and Dash  
Oliver Obst, Anni Dosen with Nelly and Dexter  
Yvonne Phillips with Jasper  
Karen Poon with Tali  
Gai Russell with Sassy  
Pauline and Kate Russett with Brinkley  
Sarah sharp with Daisy and Meggie  
Angus and Phillipa St clair with Kenzie  
Thi Whiteoak with T-Bone  
Linda Zanella with Jessie

## 21 October 2017

Harry, Linda and Susie Alexander with Joey  
Merrilee Brown with Rusty  
Sue, Ronan and Hamish Campbell with Gus  
Kath, Kumari and Anika with Zephyr  
Marilyn, Ray, Fiona Greenshields with Bartleby, Bronte, Maude and Scout  
Julie, Georgia, Olivia, and Andrew Johnston with Rupert  
Bev Kitz and Mel Licker with Shemi  
Brenda, Philip, Chole King with Harper  
Caroline and Sarah Williamson with Teddy  
Daniel and Kellie McCarthy with Piper  
Vienna Muller with Tazzie  
Emily and Michael Plummer with Marnie  
Kate Parry-rice with Nero  
Lisa, Matt, Brayzen, and Torryn Sargent with Dashiell  
Brigitte Petrie with Ludo  
Sarah Smith with Hamilton  
Margaret Thomas with Bagheera



## 04 November 2017

Jeremy and Natalie Follett with Tyson  
Mancell Fitzgerald with Merrin  
David, Sue and Taylor Francis with Archer  
Emma and Leanne Fry with Charlie  
Rebecca and James Galvin with Phoebe  
Atethea and Jarred Grobler with Ntombi  
Echo Huang with Rex  
Caroline, James and Hamish Ryan with Tilby  
Helen Shamritckala with Kira  
Louis and Tibor Schwartz with Saga  
Sinead Zillie with Boston  
Donna and Tash Tesoriero with Millie and Kiah  
Matthew Weir with Rosie  
Kate Jordan with Lola  
Noori Negar with Pepper  
Eleanor Jones with Caesar  
Angel Yam with Rocky  
Sandra and Deanne Janszen with Akita

# Congratulations on Your Promotion

## Promotions to 2nd class

Jill Henderson with Cooper to 2nd  
Virginia Johnstone with Scout to 2nd  
Sue Williams with Solay to 2nd

## Promotions to 3rd Class

Mario D'Souza and Rexie to 3rd  
John Rands and Quinn to 3rd  
Anna Bryant and Tigger to 3rd  
Brian Page and Alfie to 3rd  
Carol To and Nala to 3rd  
Claire De Souza and Archie to 3rd  
Mary Young and Dolly to 3rd  
Denise Gough and Kaila to 4th



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

**Puppy Class for  
New Members with puppies  
under 9 months**

**First Class for  
New Members with dogs 9  
months old & over**

### What Class Am I In?

After your first lesson, your classes are called

**Puppy Class - Weeks 2, 3 & 4 or First Class - Weeks 2, 3 & 4**

Every new member is given a GREEN LEAD - please use it in class

**Please wear your membership badge**

## Ku-ring-gai K9 Awards

Congratulations to the dogs and their humans who received the KK9 award!

The KK9 awards were presented by Kur-ing-gai Mayor Jennifer Anderson and KK9 Co-ordinator Sharon Househam.

The KK9 award is an initiative by NSDTC and Ku-ring-gai Council to encourage good dog behaviour in the community.

From 3rd class, all dogs can achieve the award after being tested on skills in class. The classes are also fun. More info is available in the green handbook.



Archie with Claire De Souza, Junior Member of the year



Brian Page and Alfie receiving encouragement award



Encouragement Award - Diane Koumarian and Polly



# 2017 Christmas Party

## Fancy Dress



Winners clockwise from top: Lana and Heidi Partridge and Papa as Fake News;  
Rebecca Braid and Zander as Santa's Furry Helpers;  
Brian Henderson Sellers and Raisin as Rembrandt and his dog.



### Runners Up

Left: Tina Raiss and Poppy (the shark) & Piper (Santa)

Above: Santa's little helper Gemma Grocott and Sassy

## Fun and games at the Christmas Party



Water carrying team race



Above: Musical Chairs



Left: Egg and Spoon Race

## President's Pen

Dear Members,

Welcome to the start of training for another year at NSDTC. Whether you are just joining us for the first time or whether you are returning for another year, we hope you and your dog will enjoy and benefit from your time with us.

Although I have been a member of the club for many years this is my first year as President so along with thanking you I would like to make a special point of thanking our amazing team of volunteer Club Instructors who dedicate every Saturday to helping you and your dog develop a mutually happy and successful relationship. From puppy class to performance sports - dog dancing, agility, retrieving trials, rally O and obedience - NSDTC has so much to offer.

Please feel free to say hello over a 'cuppa in the clubhouse' after training and meet some of the team. We all hope your time with us whether it be years, months or weeks will be a time of fun and of learning just how special and unique each of our canine companions really are.

Regards,  
Karin Bridge



## Editor's Note

Welcome to the February/March edition of Yaps and Yelps.

As you can see, there are a lot of wonderful events and training happening at NSDTC!

I want to say thank you to both the previous editors, Ginny and Mel, for doing such a wonderful job with the newsletter. There are big shoes to fill.

An especially big welcome to the new members. You about to embark on a wonderful training journey with your dog. All our NSDTC trainers are well qualified, and offer their time as volunteers because they love dog training. All the helpers and committee members are volunteers too. Getting involved in the club is a great way to learn more from these knowledgeable members.

I am joining you on the journey, too! I joined NSDTC near the end of last year with my dog Jessie, and have taken on the role of editor too. So it's all new to me. Jessie the Golden Labrador is our family dog and is now eight months old. I came to NSDTC to learn some obedience training, as I had memories of a very naughty Labrador whom I owned back in my 20's. I didn't take time to train her, and it showed!

Our family had a succession of much loved dogs: a foxy cross, who bit me when I stole his bone as a toddler (he was very sorry afterwards...); a fat dachshund; and then a trio of golden labs. They all loved to go beach walking and fishing. The foxy died of tick poisoning, so I am grateful that there are now some products to help combat this.

If there is something dog related that you would like to see, or if you know a dog treat recipe or a great dog park, drop me an email. In the next edition we plan to write about some dog parks. I hope you enjoy this issue of Yaps and Yelps.

Linda and Jessie.  
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## Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs Trial & Rally Obedience Trial 13th January 2018

NSDTC held its Rally Obedience (Rally O) & Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs (RATG) trials on Saturday 13th January. While the day started out very warm, by the time the trials began at 6pm the weather conditions were perfect. Our own club members excelled, taking out 1st place in 7 of the 8 classes, some with perfect scores. (See blow for pics of our members receiving their awards)

These trials could not be held without the tremendous dedication of our volunteers who pledged their time, expertise & muscle in the weeks leading up to the event as well as on the afternoon & evening. While too numerous to mention individually, the trial committee would like to thank our judges & ring stewards, our Dogs NSW representative, our catalogue editor, caterers, raffle organisers & those who set up & took down rings & organised equipment. NSDTC is blessed to have so many wonderful & talented members.

### Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs Awards



Novice RATG, Judge Lyn Elliott,  
1st Lana Partridge with Heidi (L)

Open RATG  
Judge Ray Temple,  
2nd Arun Raghu with Jerry (R)





## Rally Obedience Trial



Novice Rally O Judge Sue Hutchins (L) with NSDTC member Anna Uther and Tilly, 1st Place with 100 points!

Advanced A Rally O Judge Vickie Harris, 1st Suzi Rusli (R) with Magi



Advanced B Rally O Judge Vickie Harris, 1st Alaina Graham with Sophi (L), 2nd Leslie Rowlings with Danni (R)

## Rally Obedience Trial

Rally O Masters, Judge Di Hollett,  
1st Nicole Keller with Jett (Middle),  
2nd Alaina Graham with Sophi (L),  
3rd Gila Levy with Tessa (R)



Rally O Excellent A Judge Tiki Friezer,  
1st Suzi Rusli with Magi (R), 2nd  
Barbara Hodel with Shelby (L)

Rally O Excellent B, Judge Tiki Friezer,  
1st Alaina Graham with Sophi (L)  
2nd Leslie Rowlings with Danni (Middle)



## Awards Night - Dogs of the Year 2017

On January 17th the Club held its inaugural Awards night. Many of our members enjoy the challenge of canine performance sports such as Obedience Trials, Rally O, Dog Dancing, Agility and Retrieving Trials.

We are one of the few Sydney clubs able to offer training in all of these fields. Any club member who achieves a title in any discipline receives a personal trophy with their dog's name and the name of the title achieved. The Awards night acknowledges and celebrates our highest achievers, presenting them with a variety of perpetual trophies (see details in photos below).

Congratulations to all who take on the challenge of competing with their dogs and a special congratulations to our top trophy winners.



Winner of the Obedience Dog of the Year Anna Steele with Kofi UDX. Presented by Obedience Chief Instructor, Judy Perrin



Winner of the Keebah Trophy for Excellence in Trialling in CCD, CD, Penny Dalzell and Zyperty Presented by Obedience Chief Instructor, Judy Perrin



Suzi Rusli and Magi RN, RA Presented by Rally O Coordinator



Above, Winner of the Enniskey Trophy for Excellence in Trialling in CDX, UD or UDX, Penny Dalzell with Zyperty Presented by Obedience Chief Instructor, Judy Perrin

## Awards Night - Dogs of the Year 2017



Rebecca Braid and Zander, Winner of CCD.  
Presented by the Obedience Instructor Judy Perrin.



Winner of the Dances With Dogs  
Dog of the Year, Gila Levy with Tess,  
Presented by Penny Dalziell.



Winner of the Rally Obedience Dog of the  
Year, Alaina Graham and Sophi Presented by  
Rally O Coordinator Di Hollett.



Anna Uther and Chino RN. Presented by  
Rally O Coordinator Di Hollett.



## Agility Champions

PAT WALSH	KEESHOUND	ANGEL
LOUISE EVERITT	LAKELAND TERRIER	POPPY
JOYCE CLARKE	MINI SCHNAUZER	TESS
LYN COUMBIS	CATTLE X	TILLY
ALISON HARVEY	SHET. SH.	STELLA
NELLY FELCZYNSKI	MINI SCHNAUZER	FLYNN

## Jumping Dog

EMMA MAYNE	B.C.	MIA
GAYLE DANIELS	SPOODLE	MURHPHY
GAYLE DANIELS	SPOODLE	ZOE
GEOFF WOODMAN	GOLDEN R.	BRONTE
JENNIFER FAHEY	SHET. SH.	TEAGAN
MAGGIE YOUNG	PAPILLON	FLY
MARY FIEN	B.C.	BILLY
WAYNE BOGART	POODLE X	LAYLA
WAYNE BOGART	POODLE X	LILY

## Jumping Dog Excellent

ANNA UTER	POODLE	CHINO
JENNIFER FAHEY	SHET. SH.	TEAGAN
MARY FIEN	B.C.	BILLY

## Jumping Dog Master

BARBARA ROGELEFF	ST. POODLE	BOOMER
JANENE BRANC	CATTLE X	ZIRCON

## Agility Dog

MARY FIEN	B.C.	BILLY
GAYLE DANIELS	SPOODLE	MURHPHY
GAYLE DANIELS	SPOODLE	ZOE
GEOFF WOODMAN	GOLDEN R.	

HAMISH

## Agility Dog Excellent

BARBARA ROGELEFF	ST. POODLE	BOOMER
JENNIFER FAHEY	SHET. SH.	LARA
JENNIFER HAMILTON	J.R. X	PARIS

## Agility Dog Master

BARBARA ROGELEFF	ST. POODLE	BOOMER
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**Snooker Dog**

ANNA UTERH

POODLE

TILLY

GEOFF WOODMAN

GOLDEN R.

HAMISH

MAGGIE YOUNG

PAPILLON

FLY

MARY FIEN

B.C.

BILLY

**Snooker Dog Excellent**

ALAINA GRAHAM

STAFFY

SOPHIE

ANNA UTERH

POODLE

CHINO

BARBARA ROGELEFF

ST. POODLE

BOOMER

BARBARA ROGELEFF

ST. POODLE

LYLA

**Strategic Pairs Dog Master**

BARBARA ROGELEFF

ST. POODLE

LYLA

NOELLE DESHON

KELPIE

NED

**Gambler Dog**

MARY FIEN

B.C.

BILLY

BARBARA ROGELEFF

ST. POODLE

BOOMER

**Gambler Dog Excellent**

BARBARA ROGELEFF

ST. POODLE

BOOMER

BARBARA ROGELEFF

ST. POODLE

LYLA

**Rally Novice**

JANET PHILLIPS

LAGOTTO

TESS

PAULINE CAMP

B.C.

KIERA

CHRISTIANA AUSTEN

B.C.

BADGER

SUSI RUSLI

GOLDEN R.

KIRIN

**Rally Advanced**

PAULINE CAMP

B.C.

KIERA

LESLIE ROWLING

AUS. SH.

DANNIE

SUSIE RUSLI

G.R.

MAGI

**Rally Excellent**

MARCELLE FITZGERALD

SH. SHEEP

LEITH

MARCELLE FITZGERALD

SH. SHEEP.

GABBY

LESLIE ROWLING

AUS. SH.

DANNIE

GEOFF WOODMAN

GOLDEN

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BRONTE

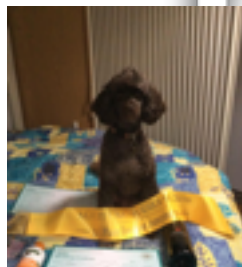
**Rally Master**

GILLA LEVY

M I N I

SCHNAUZER

TESS



**Community Companion Dog**

STEVE YEOMAN  
JENNIFER HAMILTON  
REBECCA BRAID

LABRADOR  
J.R. X  
GR

COOPER  
PARIS  
ZANDER

**Companion Dog**

VIRGINIA PENNEFATHER  
PENNY DALZELL  
GEOFF WOODMAN

G.S.P.  
B.C.  
G.R.

QUINN  
ZYPPERTTY  
HAMISH

**Companion Dog Excellent**

PAULINE CAMP  
PENNY DALZELL  
LESLIE ROWLING

B.C.  
B.C.  
AUS SHEP

KIERA  
ZYPPERTTY  
DANNIE

**Utility Dog Excellent**

ANNA STEEL

M. POODLE

KOFI

**RATG Novice**

KALA RAGHU

LABRADOR

JERRY

**DWD Starters**

PAULINE CAMP

B.C.

KIERA

**DWD Novice**

PAULINE CAMP  
PENNY DALZELL

B.C.  
B.C.

KIERA  
ZYPPERTTY

**HWM Novice**

PAULINE CAMP  
PENNY DALZELL

B.C.  
B.C.

KIERA  
ZYPPERTTY

**HWM Advanced**

GILA LEVY

MINI SCHNAUZER

TESS



# Paralysis Ticks and your Dog

We are right in the middle of tick season now. Ticks thrive in the hot, humid summer weather. The poison from a paralysis tick bite can kill your dog.

The paralysis tick, *Ixodes holocyclus*, is found along the eastern coast of Australia. It is one of about 75 species found in Australia. They are prevalent in the bushy, seaside areas where there is an abundance of its natural hosts, the bandicoot and possum. So the Kur-ing-gai area and Northern Beaches of Sydney have a high incidence of ticks.

The best means of prevention is to search your pet daily; this means running your fingers over every square inch of its body. Particular attention is needed for the head, neck, shoulders and forelimbs but do not forget between the toes, in the ears and even inside the mouth.

Oral preventative tablets are available, such as Simparica, Nexguard and others.; as well as tick collars. While use of these products does help, there is unfortunately no product that will give a 100% guarantee. This is why we highly recommend daily searching of your pet. Also, if your pet has a long or thick coat, having them clipped short for the summer months makes searching for ticks that much easier.



Adult tick - 1-2mm long



Engorged adult tick >2mm long

If your pet develops any of the following symptoms:

- \* Wobbly or weak hind legs
- \* Lethargy
- \* Vomiting or retching
- \* Change in the sound of the voice
- \* Coughing or distressed breathing

Take your dog to a vet immediately

## How to remove a tick.

Grab the tick firmly at the point of attachment next to the skin with fingers or a pair of tweezers or tick hook, and pull the tick out.

Observe your dog closely for the next 48 hours. If your dog is not showing any symptoms (remember symptoms can occur for up to four days after you have removed the tick), keep them cool, quiet and for the first eight hours withhold food, water and any medication.

## The Good News

This summer at Mona Vale Veterinary Clinic, we've had 3 deaths in dogs related to tick toxicity - and have seen around 40 cases of tick toxicity in dogs this season. This is down by more than 75% compared with 3 years ago when we didn't have the oral preventatives.

We still see a lot of tick toxicity in cats - the oral preventatives we have for dogs are not available for cats yet. We can only presume therefore that the oral preventative tablets are the sole reason for the massive reduction in the number of cases of tick toxicity in dogs. Rather than that there has been any reduction in the tick populations or in their toxicity.

This is good news for dog lovers. However, we still recommend checking regularly.

*Thanks to Alison Moran from Mona Vale Veterinary clinic for this article.  
[www.monavalevet.com.au/](http://www.monavalevet.com.au/)*





# Education Talk Summary

## Steve Austin

On Saturday November 18, Steve Austin was our last education event guest presenter for 2017, and what a fantastic demonstration he gave us.

Steve works with environmental agencies, state and federal government and the Australian Border Force to support them in their activities. His dogs are trained to very high levels with varying responsibilities when they are working. Some are trained for example to detect noxious plants, rabbit populations in environmentally sensitive areas, and drug detection at airports and ports.

Steve brought some of his Springer Spaniels to the club to show us the way in which he trains his dogs and to demonstrate some of the work they do. The focus of the dogs was inspiring, along with their amazing capacity to work, and the speed with which they carried it out.

The dogs showed great enthusiasm for variously detecting cane toad scent, water on a pipe (as part of the work he is doing in detecting water leaks for the WA Government), and drug detection.

A big thank you to Steve for so generously giving us his time that afternoon in November.

There are many more exciting education events coming up again in 2018. They are all on the website. We look forward to welcoming you all along.



## Karin Bridge

### "Everything you wanted to know about clicker training but were afraid to ask"

What is a clicker? Why should I try it? Will I have to use one forever? Do I still need food? These and many more questions are typical of the type people ask about clicker training.

In this workshop your questions will be answered plus you'll learn the advantages of using a clicker both for improving your own 'training chops' and for helping to improve communication and engagement with your dog.



Not just a talk, we'll also play some training games with people to make sure your understanding and skills are up to scratch.

And then, once you're ready we can 'add the dog' - and if numbers merit it plan a follow up session with dogs.

REGISTER: BY EMAIL TO SALLY STAWMAN [frinton1@bigpond.com](mailto:frinton1@bigpond.com)

ON THE NSDTC FACEBOOK PAGE

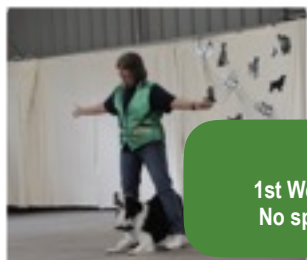
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# Fun with our Dogs

There is a wide range of activities that we can do with our dogs apart from taking them for a walk or playing fetch with a ball. We are incredibly lucky at NSDTC to have a range of talented instructors across many dog sports. All activities NSDTC trains in have competitions available (known as "trials" in dog sports) but you are also welcome to come along and train with your dog for enjoyment.

Different activities do require you and your dog to achieve specific levels of Obedience through our 3pm classes. This is for the safety of you and your dog as most of the activities require your dog to work off lead but once you have achieved the pre-requisite Obedience level all the activities are included in your annual membership fee.

In upcoming issues Yaps & Yelps will give descriptions of what dog sports are available and how to get involved. If you have an interest in a particular activity ask your instructor or a committee member when you are at training and they will point you in the right direction. Information about the different activities and training times can also be found on the website [nsdogtraining.org.au](http://nsdogtraining.org.au).

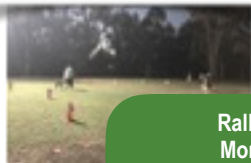


**Trick Training**  
1st Wed of the month 6.30pm  
No specific Obedience level.

**Obedience Classes**  
Sat 3pm



**Retrieving for Gundogs**  
Wed 6.30pm  
No specific Obedience level.  
Gundog breeds only.



**Rally Obedience**  
Mon nights 7pm  
2nd Class or above.



**Advanced Obedience.**  
Sat from 12.30pm depending on class.



**Agility**  
Sat 9am  
3rd Class or above and over  
12mths old.



# The Treat Jar

## Liver Fudge Training Treats

### What You Need:

- A piece of liver
- 1 cup of flour or rice flour
- 1 egg



### Instructions:

Put the liver into the blender to break it up  
Add the flour and egg

Add some baking paper, and simply pour into a tray.  
Bake on 160 degrees C for 15 minutes.  
Turn out onto cutting board and cut into bite size pieces

Try not to eat all at once!!

*Many thanks to Mel Duker, NSTDC member and previous editor, for this recipe. You can read more of her recipes starring her dog Bodhi on her blog [jstworldldog.com](http://jstworldldog.com)*



Lots of NSTDC members have great recipes for dog treats!

If you have a dog treat recipe you would like to share please send it through to [nsdte.editor@gmail.com](mailto:nsdte.editor@gmail.com)



## Puppy Page

## Playtime or learning??

**Most early learning for puppies comes through play.  
They rough-house & rumble with their litter mates & mum  
Now it's YOUR responsibility**

**You & your family** - once the pup leaves its litter mates & joins your family, you have to provide the learning through play with you, the family & carefully chosen doggy playmates.



**Litter mates** - when they were still with their litter mates & the game became too rough, the 'hurt' pup uttered a high pitched, sharp squeak & the game stopped.

Puppies don't bear grudges & will soon start another game. Now **you** have to do the same.

**Mouthing & bite inhibition** - puppy play can be rough & humans don't have a convenient covering of thick hair all over their arms & legs so pups have to be taught not to bite.

The best way to do this is to use the same method the litter used to indicate it was too rough - **you** give a high pitched squeak & end the game suddenly. Once the pup settles down, start the game again. You can also use a growly voiced 'aaaahh' to indicate the game's getting too rough. If the pup responds by toning it down, continue with the play, if the pup keeps getting wilder, squeak & end the game again.

**Make training fun** - play should include all the basic obedience exercises. In fact the best way to teach obedience is by making it fun, ie turn basic obedience exercises into a game!

Take 'sit' for example - as soon as the pup's bottom hits the floor, praise & either reward with a treat or have a quick game of tug or roll a ball a short distance for your pup. Then repeat the 'sit', play the game, do the 'sit', play the game, etc. You'll soon get a wonderfully quick & reliable sit when rewards always follows the action. Do the same for the stand, down & come exercises.



Teaching your pup to '**fetch**' is another wonderful game. This can be played in doors & outdoors. Using a small soft toy is often the best starting point. Place it a short distance away & encourage your pup to 'fetch' it. **Don't throw** the toy, **roll** it along the floor/ground. Once they pounce & pick it up, call them back with 'come'. Offer a treat or another toy as you say 'give' (**toy swapping**).

Once they are retrieving a soft toy, use your imagination & get them to 'fetch' all sorts of items - balls, toys, empty drink cans, scrunched up paper, empty plastic milk bottles, etc.

**Don't** use items of clothing, like socks or shoes or the TV remote as you can't expect the pup to know the difference between your 'good' shoes & the toys they are allowed to pick up.

**'Find'** is another great learning game. 'Start by sitting in a chair & hide something whilst the pup is watching you. For example tuck a small soft toy or a treat under your thigh & say 'find'. Praise as the pup starts to sniff around & give excited praise as they find it.

This game can be extended to finding hidden items under armchairs, behind doors, in the next room, under a pillow, in cardboard boxes or outside in all sorts of places. Use items like their toys, a treat biscuit or a bunch of old keys, your oldest hat, a gardening glove, etc. Even get them to 'find' a person!



Teach them simple tricks -  
shake hands, bow, roll over & high five are great fun



**Make learning playtime & you'll have a enthusiastic, willing & happy puppy**

\* Thanks to Ginny Legh for this article

## *Farewell*

### *Beryl Colbran*



Beryl was a long time member of NSDTC.

She bred, showed & trialled Boxers for many years & one of her famous comments was "Boxers grow up the day before they die!"

In latter years she owned & trained a Golden Retriever.

Beryl was 98 years old when she passed away on 20 November 2017.

Older members of NSDTC have fond memories of a gentle, smiling lady who loved & lived for her dogs.

Rest in peace Beryl & may you meet up with all your friends who wait for you at Rainbow Bridge.

## President's Report

### President's Report 2017.

Once again it is that time of the year when one is reminded that time flies when you are having fun! It only seems yesterday that I was preparing the report for the 2016 Annual Meeting. What a year it has been!

The Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club (N.S.D.T.C.) celebrated the Anniversary of its 50<sup>th</sup> year in fine fashion on the 24th June 2017 with a special day of Club celebrations with many former members of the Club, friends, current members and families attending. The weather was kind and provided a lovely sunny day, while the Club provided many wonderful displays from all disciplines of Obedience, RATG, Rally 'O', Agility, and Dancing with Dogs to the delight of the gathered crowds. A BBQ was provided and to finish off the celebrations, in fine style, with the help of the Club's Patron, Mayor of Ku-ring-gai, Jennifer Anderson and Betty and Kevin O'Connor, two lovely celebration cakes were cut. One for the humans and one for the stars of the day, the dogs.

Congratulations go to all members of the Club who participated and contributed their time and effort to ensure the day was a success, as well as those who continued on with the Clubs normal training commitments later that afternoon.

The Club has hosted this years Rally O; Obedience; Agility and RATG trials at the Club grounds. It is with great pride that I can report that each of the trials was a resounding success. This is a reflection on the spirit of the Club's membership who are prepared to dedicate their time and energy to support those trials in the various roles necessary, from Trial Secretary, Manager, Stewards as well as the many other vital roles essential to ensure a trial runs smoothly.

N.S.D.T.C. is renowned for its trial catering from our own members Kay Hogan and Sharon Househam who never fail to provide beautiful food from the kitchen for our officials and volunteers as well as the ever-popular BBQ crew providing sustenance to our competitors – Thank you.

This year saw the N.S.D.T.C once again participate in Ku-ring-gai Council's 2017 "Dogs Day Out" which was held at our grounds. Each discipline provided a number of demonstrations and some fabulous entertainment.

2017 has been a successful year for many of the Club's members in gaining titles in their respective disciplines of Agility, Obedience, DWD and RATG. However a special note must be made of the effort and success of Penny Dalzell and her dog "Zypperty" at the Sydney Royal; her Club teams in the Dogs NSW, Dancing with Dogs competition and the Obedience Interclub Championship; Congratulations also to Ray Temple and "Rebel" on their continuing success in gaining their "Open" titles and highest points scored, in Retrieving, during the year.

The Club continues to grow in strength and membership. The introduction of online membership and payments; the success of our Facebook page and online Journal; the growth in the training disciplines offered by the Club and the excellent Education seminars and sessions, provided by our Education officer, Sally Stawman has ensured that many more members of the community are electing to join N.S.D.T.C to have fun and ensure that they have a well trained and community responsible dog.

This has also been augmented by the Club's continuing commitment to the ongoing provision of Instructor's training and education. This year N.S.D.T.C hosted a specialist training seminar involving the very popular Sue Hogben, to ensure members are provided access to the most current information in dog training.

As with many volunteer organisations there is always a core group of hardworking and dedicated people who continue to contribute their time and efforts into ensuring the Club functions smoothly and continues to provide a level of excellence in training and delivery of service. This is what makes this Club a popular, well known and respected community based training organisation.

I must express my many thanks to those members for their continuing support including, but not limited to our Secretary, Gael Goldsack; Chief Obedience and Agility Instructors, Judy Perrin and Jennifer Hamilton; Club Treasurer and the Committee; and to the many Instructor's that volunteer their time to provide valuable instruction and guidance to the N.S.D.T.C. members.

Unfortunately, as provided by our Constitution, which I must add was recently reviewed and updated by our Treasurer, Phil Palangas, I now complete my term as President of this Club. I take pride in the knowledge that the Club is comprised of a body of people who are committed and dedicated to advancing the Club into the future and continue to ensure that this is a progressive and fun loving organisation which provides a safe environment for the community to learn and have fun with their dogs. You should all be Very proud of yourselves!

Thank you for providing me with the opportunity to take on the role of President. It has been an honour and wonderful experience.

I look forward to seeing you all at training.

Thank you.

**Kim Dowding**

Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club  
26<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.



## 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. Online enrolment is also available at [nsdogtraining.org.au](http://nsdogtraining.org.au).
- All dogs must be FULLY IMMUNISED (Veterinary Certificate required plus 2 weeks from date of last vaccination). Please read NSDTC Vaccination Policy on the next page.
- Junior Members are 12 to 15 years of age.
- Training equipment (leads, training collars, etc) can be purchased at the Clubhouse.
- 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.

### 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)

**Membership Renewal:** Due by 30 June each year. Announcements will be made in June as to how to renew and renewals can be completed via the website [nsdogtraining.org.au](http://nsdogtraining.org.au) or at the membership desk.

**Training** is held in the Dog Rings at St Ives Showground every Saturday, February - November inclusive.

NB. **NO** training on Public Holidays. Please check the website calendar for No Training Dates.

If training is cancelled due to weather you will find a message on the website ([nsdogtraining.org.au](http://nsdogtraining.org.au)) and on the club Facebook page (Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club).

The club's Extreme Weather Policy (Temperature) for cancelling training is Agility over 30oC in the shade and Obedience over 32oC in the shade. A post will be put on the club's Facebook page by 8am for Agility and 11am for Obedience.

**Club Newsletter:** The Club journal is available at the enrolment table or can be viewed on our website [nsdogtraining.org.au](http://nsdogtraining.org.au). Articles are welcomed & may be left at the table or emailed to [nsdtc.editor@gmail.com](mailto:nsdtc.editor@gmail.com)

**Club Enquiries: Ginny Legh 9489 1554**  
**Membership Enquiries: Pam Rutledge [pamru@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pamru@bigpond.net.au)**

### 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 Grounds 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.

### **NSDTC Inc Vaccination Policy 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.

### **Patrons**

Mayor of Ku-ring-gai

### **Committee Of Management - Office Bearers**

President:	Karin Bridge	0409 226 838	
Club Secretary:	Gael Goldsack	9487 3646 (Postal Address - PO Box 426 Turramurra 2074)	
Treasurer:	Phil Palangas	9653 3470	
Vice Presidents:	Kim Dowding	9653 2045	
	Maggie Young	9451 7986	
Chief Instructors:	Jennifer Hamilton	9982 9029	(Agility)
	Judy Perrin	9449 7388	(Obedience)

### **Committee Members**

Assistant Treasurer:	Gale Coutts
Club Librarians:	Penny Dalzell, Virginia Pennefather & Eve Park
Clubhouse Coordinator/Catering:	Rebecca Braid
Committee (general):	Pat Walsh
DWD Coordinator:	Penny Dalzell
Ku-ring-gai K9 Co-ordinator:	Sharon Househam
Membership Secretary:	Kala Raghu
Membership Team Members:	Lana Partridge & Noelle Deshon
Newsletter Editor	Linda Zanella
Obedience Demo Team Coordinator:	John Jonker
Rally O Coordinator:	Di Hollett
Social Secretary:	Sue Guthrie
Title Trophy Mementos Officer:	Karin Bridge
Training Equipment (sales) Officer:	Gale Coutts
Training & Trial Equipment Officer:	John Jonker
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### **Obedience, Rally O & RATG Trial Committee**

Trial Secretary: Denise Wigney  
Trial Manager: Tracy Geary (Chair)  
Chief Steward: Gael Goldsack (Obedience)  
Gael Coutts (Rally-O)  
Trophy Officer: Denise Wigney

### **Agility Trial Committee**

Trial Secretary: Tsuey Hiu  
Trial Manager: Karin Bridge  
Chief Steward: Melinda Duker  
Trophy Officer: Maggie Young (Chair)

**Trial Equipment Officers:** 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 & Di Hollett.

### **Dances with Dogs Sub Committee**

Penny Dalzell & Ginny Legh

### **Inter-club Challenge Coordinator**

Penny Dalzell

## **What Class Am I In? After your first lesson, your classes are called**

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

**Puppy Class for  
New Members with puppies  
under 9 months**

**First Class for  
New Members with dogs 9  
months old & over**

**Puppy Class - Weeks 2, 3 & 4 or First Class - Weeks 2, 3 & 4**

Every new member is given a GREEN LEAD - please use it in class  
Please wear your membership badge with your name on it

## Diary Dates

### New Member Dates:

Sat 17 February  
Sat 3 March  
Sat 17 March  
Sat 7 April

### Promotion Test Dates:

Sat 3rd March 2pm  
Sat 7th April 2pm

### Meeting Dates:

General Meeting Sat 24 February 4pm  
Committee Meeting Wed 28 February 7.30pm  
Instructors Meeting Sat 7 April 4.15pm

### Other Important Dates:

Sat 10 March / 24 March / 7 April - Trial Steward Training  
Sunday 29 April - NSDTC Obedience & Rally O Trial

### Education Talks:

Wed 14 March 7.30pm - Karin Bridge  
"Clicker Training - Everything you want to know but were afraid to ask"

Wed 11 April 7.30pm - Karin Bridge  
"Alternatives to Luring"

### No Training Dates:

Sat 31 March - Easter Saturday  
Mon 2 April - Easter Monday  
Wed 25 April - ANZAC Day