



Yaps & Yelps

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Club Agility Pointscore Winner

Virginia Pennefather & Tec



Highest score for CCD Title

Tricia Nicola & Pandora

Congratulations to our Club trophy winners



2009

Club Obedience Champion

Darien Northcott & Lulu
with Patron Stoyen Rogleff

Welcome to our new members

Training your dog is fun & owning an obedient dog is a pleasure



10/10/09 & 17/10/09

Lorraine Broadway with **Lucy**
Alice van den Berg with **Bella**
William Dunsmuir & Barbara Blanche with **Zac**
Nicole Carlaw with **Abbey**
Bec Cheney with **Molly**
Alice Lubrano & Thomas, Christopher & Jack
Goubar with **McLovin**
Joanne, David, Scott & Amy Hewitt with **Riley**
Cymbeline Johnson & Loess Roeffen with **Trixie & Bonny**
Emily Keen with **Sasha**
Pat, John, Claire, Sarah & Gemma Landon with **Hendrix**
Anthony & Elizabeth Miller with **Jenna**
Pam & Barry Thomas with **Wykita**
Jo & Luke Wailes with **Lily**
Limor, Oren, Adi, Lee & Eden Weingarten with **Evee**
Robina Zanelli with **Juno**
Heidi Kringas & Conor MacNeill with **Biscuit**
Juliet Byrnes & Andrew Rogers with **Meme & Woody**
Barbara Allen & Nigel Hope with **Kirra**

24/10/09 and 31/10/09

Peter, Laura & Hermione Andrews with **Spencer**
Arki Mountfort Martin & Cameron Durbin with **Leo**
Natasha, Andrew, Rachael, Claire & Darryl Hunt with **Jessie**
Sue van Oosterom with **Ivy**
Tom, Debbie, Keith & Simon Ready with **Buddy**
Micheala, Cindy & Daisy Scott with **Milo**
Jacinta Drewitt Smith with **Bailey**

14/11/09

Paul, Wendy, Kirsten & Jayden Levy with **Pebbles**
Diane & David Gold with **Willow**
Natalie Coakes with **Buddy**
Karyn Jacka with **Kayla**
Helen Marshall with **Roxie**

30/11/09

Vanessa Coulton with **Banjo**
Sharon Ashworth & Mac Mackenzie with **Juno & Iggy**
Wendy & Frank Volckmar with **Roxy**
Leigh & Mark Drummond with **Bridie**

4/01/2010

Pauline Davis & John and Brendan Hirt with **Bib & Bob**
Astaridh Sudjoko & Patrick Ngai with **Diesel**



Condolence

On behalf of all Club members we send our heartfelt sympathy to Club Instructor and Secretary, Gael Goldsack, on the sudden loss of her husband Bob on 27th November 2009.

*When words can not make it better
please know our hearts and thoughts are with you*



Congratulations

Vicki Etherington AOM

Vicki was awarded a Medal (AOM) Of The Order Of Australia In The General Division for service to the community, particularly through the Royal New South Wales Canine Council at the Australia Day Awards 2010

Vicki is a NSDTC Club member, an obedience instructor & judge, Chairperson of the Dogs NSW Obedience & Tracking Committee & is vitally involved with animal welfare & the RSPCA

Vicki & her Border Collie, Country, compete in obedience, agility, dances with dogs, tracking & many other dog activities when Vicki finds time away from her community duties



Congratulations on your promotion

10.10.09
Lyn Coumbis & Tilly to 3rd Class

Megan Elliott & Max to 3rd Class
Nicole Keller & Alfa to 4th Class

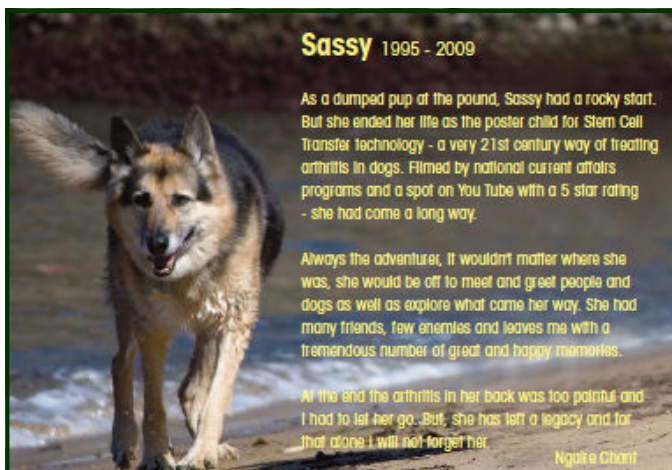
31.10.09
Roger Faulkner & Disni to 4th Class

14.11.09
Paul Jobberns & Zara Belle to 3rd Class

7.11.09
William Dunsmuir & Zac to 2nd Class
Louise Everitt & Poppy to 2nd Class

21.11.09
Ray Temple & Cody to 3rd Class
Angus Cottee & Erin to 3rd Class

Sadness for all
who knew her



Puppy Pages

Rules of Seven Thanks to Gael Goldsack

These rules have been used by puppy breeders across the world for many years with great success.

Usually breeders will have exposed their puppies to most of the experiences listed below, but it has usually happened within the bounds of their home & garden as the pups were not fully vaccinated & therefore unable to go out into the big wide world before they came to live with you. Owners should continue to find new things for their puppies to experience for at least the first 6 months of their life.

The most important thing is to make every experience non-frightening, pleasurable & very rewarding. Use your 'happy' voice & reward liberally when the pup reacts well. If your puppy shows any uncertainty or anxiety ask them to 'sit' so you can positively reward the sit with lots of quiet praise & treats & diffuse the fear reaction by praising a known response.

Encourage them to walk quietly up to the 'thing', smell it, touch it & investigate it fully. Praise & reassure them throughout the new experience. This applies equally to 'things' & unknown people.

1. **BEEN ON 7 different surfaces:** carpet, concrete, wood, vinyl, grass, dirt, gravel, wood chips, newspaper, etc.
2. **PLAYED WITH 7 different types of objects:** big balls ,small balls, soft fabric toys, fuzzy balls, squeaky toys ,metal items ,wooden items, paper/cardboard items, plastic containers, etc.
3. **BEEN IN 7 different locations:** front yard, back yard, basement, kitchen, car, garage, laundry, bathroom, crate, kennel, etc.
4. **BEEN EXPOSED to 7 challenges:** climbed a box, climbed off a box, gone through a tunnel, climbed up steps, climbed down steps, climbed over low obstacles, played hide & seek, gone in & out through doors with a step, etc.
5. **EATEN FROM 7 different containers:** metal, plastic, cardboard, paper, china plates, licked from a frying pan, licked from a dripping tap, etc.
6. **EATEN IN 7 different locations:** crate, yard, kitchen, laundry, bathroom, car, pen, etc.
7. **MET & PLAYED WITH 7 new people:** thin, tall, fat men & women, children & the elderly, people wearing dark glasses, men with beards, , people with umbrellas, etc.

Here's a fun version of the Rules of Seven, plus two extras

1. **BEEN ON 7 different surfaces:** red mud, brown mud, sticky mud, slimy mud, clay based mud, chook yard mud, cow pat based mud
2. **PLAYED WITH 7 different types of objects:** couches, arm chairs, table legs, remote controls, cushions, the left shoe of every pair in the house, cameras, brief cases, CD covers,
3. **BEEN IN 7 different locations:** in the way, where the garbage bin is kept, fruiting vegetable garden beds, sprawled across the middle of their human's bed when their human returns from a middle of the night pit stop, underfoot, every room in the house unsupervised, anywhere off limits to puppies,
4. **BEEN EXPOSED to 7 challenges:** stolen cooking meat from a barbeque, opened the cupboard door to get left shoes, sneaked outside with one of the shopping bags & made sure the stolen one contained the meat rather than the washing powder, sneaked food out of other hounds' bowls, looked innocent when so very obviously guilty, licked cooked meat juices off a very sharp carving knife after

carefully carrying it outside, made suspicious noises in the lounge room & then doubled back to the kitchen to steal food while the human is investigating ...

- 5: EATEN FROM 7 different containers:** pizza box, maccas bag, chinese take-away container, roasting tray, cake cooling rack, unattended dinner plate, hot Weber BBQ ...
- 6: EATEN IN 7 different locations:** dining room table, top of patio outdoor table, kitchen bench, reached into front seat of car & stolen take-away food, on human's bed, garbage bin area, anywhere there is human food...
- 7: MET AND LEANED ON 7 new people:** human on crutches, everyone at the vet clinic, toddler, grandperson (preferably a fragile one), someone dripping wet & just out of the shower, person who dislikes dogs, someone sitting on the toilet ...
- 8: HEARD 7 different household noises:** 'drop it', 'stop it, fridge door opening, pantry door opening, food container being opened, food dropping on floor, human thinking about getting something to eat ...
- 9: HEARD 7 different outdoor noises:** neighbours coming to fence with dog treat, BBQ being lit, meat sizzling on the lit BBQ, picnic food being laid out on the ground, grooming tools being bought out so they can take appropriate avoidance action, tomatoes ripening on the vine, human stubbing toe while wandering around with a torch that has weak batteries looking for the remote ...

What's the most common phrase puppy class instructors hear?

My puppy does it perfectly at home!

Why?

- At home your pup is in familiar surroundings
- The noises are much the same as always
- The same well-known people & other family pets are around & doing familiar things
- **In other words there are no distractions!**

Once you take your pup to a dog club training class, the park or for a walk on local streets there are the most wonderful new things to investigate, people to meet & greet & best of all, other dogs who might want to play. Alternatively there may be frightening things like strange noises, big noisy trucks & buses, the hustle & bustle of a shopping centre or the noise of nail guns, chain saws or kids with cap guns.

Your puppy seems to have forgotten all you have taught them. They don't listen to anything you say. They pull like a steam train & behave like a maniac or are suddenly frightened & just want to run to the safety of home.

The solution

Train the basics at home in the relative peace & quiet of the home garden.

Use the same cue word every time & verbally praise & reward every good response.

If the pup is timid or frightened, use a reassuring voice to give a well known cue word (like 'sit') & heaps of praise when the pup responds plus lots of little treats.

The next step is to do the same on the footpath just outside your front fence (on lead of course). Once your pup is listening to you most of the time, rather than taking notice of the surrounding distractions, progress to doing the same a bit further away from home, until eventually you'll have your pup's attention for the whole walk.

With heaps of time, practise & patience your pup will listen to you & obey your cue words in class at the dog club, on the street & in the park most of the time.

Remember the Five P's - patience, praise, practice, persistence & purpose.

Obedience Training

Dear Dog, before we enter the trial ring....

(a heartfelt plea from Judy Perrin, our Chief Instructor)

Today is costing me time, money, patience, an increase in blood pressure, possible embarrassment & a lot of fun. Please bear in mind the following small points so we may go home 'still friends'.

All I ask is you TRY to do your very best - no more, no less - just like the kids in exam week.

CALM DOWN & THINK - both before & during the trial.

LISTEN TO ME - I am no longer your mum, just your handler & handlers like to be listened to because that is why they are there. I have things to tell you & without listening, you will miss them.

CONCENTRATE on what I have to say. On this occasion I am right, absolutely right & know what you must do despite the fact that I am normally a useless trainer.

WATCH my hand signals. Yes, I know they are sometimes crappy but they DO tell you roughly which way to go.

IGNORE birds, traffic, bacon sandwich smells, barking dogs, running dogs, other dog's balls, aeroplanes, butterflies in the grass - everything EXCEPT me.

UNDERSTAND that today, I am right - everything I say is right & you follow it to the letter. If I do something stupid, follow me - that way it's my fault, not yours & that gives you great psychological power over me. I will accept the fact you are laughing at me & continue to love you.

BELIEVE that once you have completed all of the exercises & beaten the pants out of all the other dogs - or even scraped through - you are going to get all that your little heart desires because, pardon me, I will be absolutely delirious. I will give you liver, chicken, cheese, sausages form the BBQ, peanut butter, sardines, fillet steak, a glass of red - whatever you like.

STAY CLOSE at all times - that is, stick your nose on my left leg & keep it there, right beside my left pocket where there may be the smell of the rotten cheese you love so much. Avoid nibbling through my pocket - it's all gone should the judge become suspicious - remember, I am right & you cannot let me down when I try to cheat a little. Remember, also, that most judges are triallers too & they are watching out very carefully for 'cheating a little'.

RUNNING AROUND THE RING OR OUT OF IT between exercise is NOT a smart thing to do as I will panic & you know what THAT means.

FOLLOW every command (cue if you are a thoroughly modern dog) even if I get them wrong. You know what the exercise involves even if I get confused. Remember, my gin & tonic breakfast may be making me a bit woozy so try to push me in a straight line when I start to weave (weaving is an Agility exercise as you well know & today is NOT Agility).

REALISE that my voice will change completely & try to remember that I mean the same, even when I squeak, as I do when I'm my normal self.

GLUE YOUR FEET & YOUR BUTT to the ground & SQUEEZE at the beginning of the SIT STAY exercise because they - the judge & the stewards- are gleefully looking for the slightest suggestion of 'butt rise'. Brownie points are awarded for successful 'butt rise spotters'.

STAY CALM - I will be trembling when I return to you after this exercise. I am not allowed to feed you & you know it. This is NOT the time to test my Blood Pressure 'cause I will kill you (not really) if you blow the exercise. I will be calm but trembling uncontrollably. My face may look weird, my voice will be 'off'. Accept the fact that I will have gone from a case of Creeping Stress to Galloping Stress & be sympathetic - please. I will be unsteady on my feet, my heart will be pounding, my breathing will be stertorous, I will be sweating, my teeth will be chattering - an absolute disaster.

STAY for goodness sake (rules on feet & butt as earlier - add a hip roll but don't do a stupid dead dog roll onto your back & kick your legs - it's NOT a good look in a line of 9 controlled canines) for just another few minutes whilst I struggle to avoid throwing up on the same patch I nearly widdled on earlier.

WAIT until the judge says 'exercise finished' or all that good work will be washed away in a big bucket & I WILL kill you (not really).

REMIND ME TO HURRY YOU OUT OF THE RING before you widdle in excitement or all MY work will be in the bucket too & you may kill me (not really).

NOW & only NOW can you put on the silly big smile you had on your face when you knocked off my fillet steak last night.

Thank you dog & good luck!!

Congratulations to our KK9 Award Winners



Heidi Richardson & Echo, Janene Hobbs & Connor & Eve Park & Yogi



Walking quietly & calmly through a crowd

Thanks to Judy Perrin for
the action shots



**Accepting a stranger running the
scanner over the dog's body to check
the microchip number**



Happily accepting being groomed



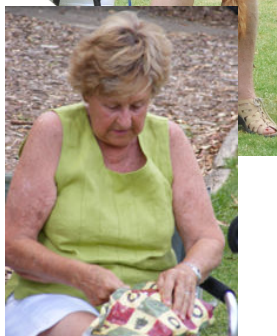
Clever Christmas costumes





by clever people







Happy snaps from a hot Christmas party



A Healthy Dog is a Happy Dog

HELP! MY PUPPY ATE MY SHOES!

By Nancy Paule Melone, Ph.D.

It is often the case that new puppy owners feel challenged during certain periods of normal puppy development. If your husband, forgetting to close his closet door before leaving for work, has just lost his new pair of shoes to the jaws of the newest canine member of the family, you may be experiencing such a moment. Anyone who has welcomed a new puppy into their home can understand the feelings of frustration expressed by the reader in this message:

Dear Nancy

At 7 months, Bernie, my large breed puppy, is chewing everything! Can you give me some idea as to when I can expect this behavior to lessen? I keep him as supervised or contained as possible, have appropriate chew toys and totally agree that a tired puppy is a good puppy.

So, we are basically doing fine, but I am just wondering when this chewing will end as it's been 15 years since my last puppy. Sharon and Bernie

(But mom, now Jason can say the dog ate my homework and it's true!)

Bernie's excessive chewing is probably caused by a totally normal event in a puppy's life—he is teething and (fortunately for Sharon and the remainder of her husband's shoe collection) is about to get the LAST of his permanent teeth, his molars. Canine permanent molars usually erupt around the 6th-7th month in the puppy's life. It is likely that Bernie's mouth is a bit sore and chewing may help him manage the tenderness. Usually, when a puppy finishes teething owners see a reduction in the amount of chewing (although it may not completely disappear if you just have a heavy chewer). If Sharon is not already doing so, she might want to stick one of his Kongs in the freezer before giving it to him. The cold can help soothe those gums.

Sharon's question gives us a good opportunity to talk about canine teeth generally. Puppies usually get their "baby teeth" at around 6 to 8 weeks. When this period is concluded, they will usually have around 28 of these sharp little deciduous teeth (the technical term for "baby teeth"). Owners may never see these teeth as a puppy loses them because they are small and often swallowed. At around 3 months, most puppies begin to get their permanent teeth. This period lasts until the puppy is around 7 months old, as in Bernie's case, when the last of his permanent molars erupt. When this period is complete, the dog has around 42 permanent adult teeth that will carry him through his life if they are well cared for.

It is important for the dog's general health that these permanent teeth be kept free of plaque, regularly cleaned and periodically examined by a vet for damage. As many pet owners have learned, natural bones and even durable nylon bones can crack teeth in heavy chewers, leading to lost teeth or expensive dental bills to repair them (yes, dogs do get root canals and bonding!). Like humans, poor dental health in a dog can lead to poor general health, not to mention bad breath, gum disease and lost teeth or expensive dental bills.

If you have a new puppy, it is often helpful to know when to expect certain teeth to erupt because it can signal the end of the difficult chewing phase. If you divide the dog's mouth into a left and right side and start at the front of the adult dog's mouth, going along one side, you will see on both the top and bottom three incisors (the most forward teeth). Next are the upper and lower canines, easily recognized by most pet owners. After the canines you can see four upper and lower premolars, and finally two molars on the upper jaw and three molars on the lower jaw.

The Hills website has a good picture of this at www.hillspet.com/media/images/Atlas/normal_canine_dentition.JPG.

The permanent teeth at the front of the dog's mouth (incisors) come in sooner than those toward the rear (molars).

Incisors begin to appear at 3 to 4 months of age. The last incisor surfaces during the 5th month. Canines come in between 4 and 5 months of age. Premolars erupt at from 4 to 6 months of age and the last of the molars appear at about 7 months.

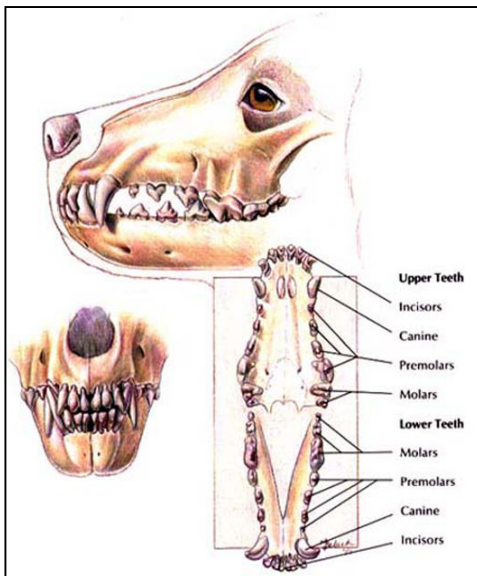
So, Sharon should see some relief from Bernie's chewing by about 8 months of age. Let's hope that her son's built-in excuse for not getting homework done also disappears!

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Many thanks to Gael Goldsack who obtained permission from the author to print this article.

Gael originally saw the article in a Bernese Mountain Dog Newsletter.

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If your dog is fat, YOU aren't getting enough exercise!

Paralysis ticks are alive & well!!

- ✦ Check your dog daily.
- ✦ Use your finger tips & go over every millimetre of your dog's body. Remember to include ears, eyelids, nostrils, inside lip margins, around anus & vulva & between toes & around nail beds.
- ✦ If you find a tick, remove it immediately & closely observe your dog for the next 48 hours.
- ✦ If you notice any change in voice, vomiting or gagging, wobbly walking, cough or difficulty breathing, **get your dog to your 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.

Don't know what paralysis ticks look like? Check the chart on the Club notice board.

Hot weather

Your dog needs the same care & consideration you give yourself.

Shade, preferably access to indoor air conditioning & plenty of cool water. Exercise only in the early morning or late evening. Puppies & older dogs are particularly liable to suffer from heat stress or heat stroke - a life-threatening veterinary emergency.

Summer Dog Treat Recipe

4 cups plain yogurt
 2 tablespoons honey
 1 large banana
 2 tablespoons peanut butter

Process all ingredients in a blender or food processor
 Freeze in large ice cube trays.
 Serve frozen on a hot day.

The cost of raising an average size dog to the age of 11 is \$16,400!

Dogs working to help people

Our family dogs lead comparatively easy lives. Occasionally they are asked to take part in Club activities, fetch the paper, take us for a walk or give us a cuddle. Some dogs really work.

Service Dogs — Helpful in Many Ways (Mayo Clinic)

When disability or illness makes it difficult to open a door, pick up keys or call for help, a service dog might ease these frustrations of daily living.

The December 2009 issue of Mayo Clinic Health Letter covers the many different ways that service dogs help people manage their disabilities. The modern era of service dogs began after World War I, when dogs were trained to guide blind war veterans. Since then, service dogs have been trained in many specialties, including:

Skilled assistance dogs. These dogs are trained to help those who are physically disabled. They can open doors, pull wheelchairs, turn on lights, retrieve the telephone or summon help.

Hearing dogs. These dogs alert their handlers to alarm clocks, doorbells, smoke alarms, approaching vehicles or someone calling the handler's name.

Diabetes response dogs. These dogs carry objects such as juice bottles and can retrieve a phone or sniff the handler's breath for low blood sugar.

Alzheimer's helper dogs. These dogs are trained to stay with a person who has Alzheimer's or fetch help if the person starts to wander or gets into an unsafe situation.

Parkinson's disease helper dogs. These dogs can assist with balance.

Psychiatric service dogs. These dogs help people who are disabled by severe mental illness by calming anxieties, prodding their handler to take medications and interrupting harmful compulsions.

Many breeds can be trained as service dogs, but Labradors or Golden retrievers are most commonly used. Their specialized training takes six months to a year. In addition, a week or two of training with a new handler is necessary while learning to work together.

While service dogs can increase safety and independence for people with disabilities, they aren't the right solution for everyone. Even a well-trained dog can misbehave or be annoying. Dogs need exercise, attention, grooming and medical care.

Cost also is a factor. Usually the cost to train a dog is \$10,000 to \$20,000, though some charity groups cover this cost. The Delta Society has a directory of service dog organizations that help train and place service dogs. Many operate as charities, but some charge for their services.

Some of the well known Australian associations who train service dogs are



Australian Support Dogs Incorporated (ASDOG) is a registered charity that chooses, raises and trains suitable dogs for people with physical disabilities.

Our dogs are trained to live and work confidently with recipients in their home and help them with their own particular tasks or needs whether it be shopping, taking trips in buses, trains or taxis to work and social destinations.

ASDOG is a member of Assistance Dogs International (ADI) and follows their internationally accepted code of ethics in relation to all areas of operation and accreditation of dogs and recipient.



Guide Dogs™

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT are the state's largest provider of Guide Dogs to the blind and vision impaired.

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Pets As Therapy (PAT) is a free community service provided by Guide Dogs NSW/ ACT.

Pets As Therapy is designed to fulfil the companionship needs of people throughout NSW and the ACT who may be disadvantaged because of age, illness, disability or isolation.

Ownership of a PAT dog is a very rewarding experience, but it is also an ongoing responsibility. The dogs require exercise, grooming and constant care, and their health care requires a financial commitment from the user. PAT dog users will also need to maintain the animal's level of obedience.



Paws for Diabetics Inc is a charitable non-profit organisation of dedicated volunteers, involved in the training and placement of diabetic alert dogs.

Paws for Diabetics Inc is a member of Assistance Dogs International (ADI) and as such we abide by their internationally accepted code of ethics. We also follow their guidelines in all aspects of training and accreditation of dogs and recipients.

These dogs are the latest tool in Diabetes management, as they give their owners warning well in advance of an impending hypoglycaemic episode, allowing for prompt treatment to avert the episode from happening. A hypoglycaemic attack left untreated can lead to coma and even death, so these dogs are real life-savers.

Dogs are placed with those who meet the criteria and recipients are given extensive training on handling and caring for an assistance dog. Training these dogs is an expensive exercise, and we rely on donations to fund this training.



RIGHTEOUS PUPS

A U S T R A L I A

Righteous Pups Australia (formerly Righteous Pups Bendigo) is a not for profit organisation with a mission to raise, socialize and train Autism Assistance Dogs to do a variety of practical tasks for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their families.

We also train Therapy dogs who, visit and interact with older persons, the infirmed, persons with disabilities and the socially isolated within the community.

Another part of RPA is to work with academically and/or socially challenged high school students through our S.W.A.T. (Specifically Working with At-risk Teens) program. Working with animals has proven to have a major positive impact on teenagers, especially those with anger and depression related issues.

Our dog training team also incorporates a training team composed of local unemployed young people, giving them a sense of purpose and significance. These trainees are now highly competent dog trainers who absolutely love working with the dogs. There is a tremendous sense of personal pride when you are involved in something greater than yourself and we have seen young people's lives changed.



The Pups in Prison program was launched at Kirkconnell Correctional Centre near Bathurst in 2002 and supports Assistance Dogs Australia by setting the foundations for the dogs to progress to advanced training and shapes as a most promising venture from which both inmates and those with physical disabilities will benefit.

With the commencement of Pups in Prison it was hoped that the program would help reduce re-offending behaviour by giving the inmates valuable work skills and training, leading to possible employment after their release from prison. This program certainly has been a win-win situation for both Assistance Dogs Australia and the Prisons already running this program.

All you'll need to know

- New Members - Enrolment by 2.15 pm please.
- All dogs must be **FULLY IMMUNISED** (Veterinary Certificate required plus 2 weeks from date of last vaccination). Please read NSDTC Vaccination Policy opposite.
- Junior Members are 12 to 15 years of age.
- Training equipment (leads, training collars, etc) can be purchased at the Clubhouse.

MEMBERSHIP FEES: for full financial year - 1 July to 30 June

- Single \$40 (\$20 joining fee & \$20 annual subscription)
- Junior Members \$30 (\$10 joining fee & \$20 annual subscription)
- Pensioners & other bona fide concessions \$30 (\$10 joining fee & \$20 annual subscription)
- Dual/Family Membership \$50 (\$30 joining fee & \$20 annual subscription)
- Those joining 1 January to 31 May receive a \$10 reduction in membership fee

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEES are due by 30 June each year.

GROUND FEES: \$4 per dog for all members per morning or afternoon session
Juniors & Pensioners pay \$2.

YAPS & YELPS: The Club journal is available at the enrolment table.
Yaps & Yelps can also be viewed on our website www.nsdogtraining
Articles for Yaps & Yelps are welcomed & may be left at the table or emailed to The Editor, Ginny Legh at ginny.l@tpg.com.au

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

OBEDIENCE:

Saturdays 3.00 - 4.00pm Adv Puppies, First, Adv First, Second & Third classes
Every second Saturday Classes start for New Members & New Puppies

Saturdays 1.30 - 2.30pm Fourth (CCD & CD) & Fifth (CDX) Classes

Saturdays 12.30 - 1.30pm Sixth (UD) Class

Wednesday 7.30 - 8.30pm Training for Instructors only

AGILITY: Beginners First Saturday & Monday of the month
All levels Saturdays 9.30 - 12 noon
Night Agility Mondays all levels 7.00 - 9.30pm

FLYBALL: All levels Alternate Saturdays 2.15 - 2.45pm

NB. Agility
New memberships
**can only be
accepted on
Saturday
afternoons**

Dogs must be at least **1 year old & in Third Class or above** to start Agility or Flyball

NSDTC Inc VACCINATION POLICY

- We require a **minimum C3** (distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus) vaccination after the age of 12 weeks for all puppies **less** than 12 months old.
- All dogs joining or renewing that are 12 months to 3 years of age must have had at least a C3 vaccination in the preceding 12 months.
- Dogs joining or renewing over the age of 3 years who have not had a C3 vaccination in the preceding 12 months must be referred to the Club Veterinary Officer or nominee with their most recent vaccination certificate or letter of exemption from their vet.
- As Bordetella and Parainfluenza are not **normally** life threatening to healthy dogs, these vaccinations are optional but **recommended** and owners are reminded that these will be required if the dog is to be boarded in kennels.
- Vaccination certificates **must be signed** by a registered veterinary surgeon.
- Homeopathic 'vaccinations' will not be accepted.

PLEASE NOTE: A delay of two weeks after the final puppy vaccination is required before puppies are permitted to join classes.

PARKING

- Parking for Club Members who are **not** instructing or doing other club related duties is to the **LEFT** of the road as you enter the showground.
 - The parking area on the right, nearer the Clubhouse, is for "on duty" Club Members who need to leave their dogs, carry equipment, etc.
- Thank you.

CLUB & GROUND RULES

Please adhere to the following rules. They 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 carry extra plastic bags!).
- Each week pay your \$4.00 ground fee at the Clubhouse & collect your ticket.
- 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.

Trial Results

Obedience & Agility triallers - please enter your results in the Trial Results folder in the Club office for results to appear in Yaps & Yelps.

Obedience

CDD = Community Companion Dog CD = Companion Dog CDX = Companion Dog Excellent
UD = Utility Dog UDX = Utility Dog Excellent O.CH = Obedience Champion

Owner & Dog	Date	Event	Result
Heidi Richardson & Echo	11.7.09	Springwood DTC	CCD - Qual
	23.8.09	Brush Farm DTC	CCD - Qual
	29.8.09	Central Coast DTC	CCD - Qual
	31.10.09	Sutherland DTC	CD - Qual & 1st place

Agility

AD = Agility Dog JD = Jumping Dog SD = Snooker Dog GD = Gamblers Dog SPD = Strategic Pairs
O=Open X= Excellent M=Masters are added to the above as more advanced titles are gained

Owner & Dog	Date	Event	Result
Janice Liang & Jasper	25.10.09	Brush Farm Agility	AD - Title
Bronwen Taylor & Sissy	24.10.09	Agility Dog Club NSW	AD - Qual
Tricia Nicola & Pandora	5.9.09	Dogs NSW Agility	SD - Title & 1st place
Tricia Nicola & Mindi	25.10.09	Brush Farm Agility	JDO - Title
	12.9.09	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club NSW	JDO - Title
	16.9.09	Newcastle	ADX - Qual
	6.10.09	Hawkesbury	ADO - Title
	13.9.09	Kyaemba DTC	JDX - Qual
Geoff Woodman & Xanthe	13.9.09	Kyaemba DTC	JDM - Qual
Geoff Woodman & Kayley	13.9.09	Kyaemba DTC	ADM - Qual
	13.9.09	Kyaemba DTC	ADO - Qual
	3.10.09	Dogs ACT	ADM - Qual
	4.10.09	Belconnen DOC	JDM - Qual
	19.10.09	Belconnen DOC	JDM - Qual
	19.10.09	Belconnen DOC	JDM - Qual
	3.10.09	Dogs ACT	GD - Title
Geoff Woodman & Tammy			

Welcome to this month's meeting of Dogaholics Anonymous

If you can answer YES to more than three of the following, you have come to the right place.

- . Can you say "bitch" in public without blushing?
- . Do you drive a station wagon, van or 4X4 when everyone else drives a real car?
- . If you go overseas, is it to London in March to attend Crufts?
- . Do you discuss things at the dinner table that would make most doctors leave in disgust?
- . Do you consider formal wear to be clean jeans & freshly washed tennis shoes?
- . Was your furniture & carpeting chosen to suit a dog household?
- . Are your end tables really dog crates with tablecloths thrown over them?
- . Do you know the meaning of titles such as CD, CDX, UD, CGC, AD, ADX, CH, & OTCH?
- . Do you get up before dawn to go to training classes? Dog Shows? Seminars?
- . Do all your pockets contain freeze dried liver, BBQ chicken or squeaky toys & plastic bags?
- . When you meet a new person do you always ask them what kind of dog they have & pity them if they don't have one?
- . Do you remember the name of their dog sooner than you remember their name?

A **YES** to **one** of the above, there is still hope. A **YES** to **two**, you are in serious trouble.
If you answered **YES** to **three or more**, you have come to the "right" place.

My advice to all of you with three or more yeses is to sit back, smile & know that your life will always be filled with good friends & good dogs & it will never be boring!

PATRONS

The Mayor of Ku-ring-gai - Cr Ian Cross
Mr Stoyan Rogleff
Dr Angus Ross Dr Michael Eaton Dr Chris Boulton

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

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	(Postal Address - PO Box 426 Turramurra 2074)	
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	Eve Park	9449 1941 (Admin)
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	Cyril Hart	4376 1257 (Agility)

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Council & Showground Liaison Officer:	Barbara Rogleff
Education Officer:	Karin Bridge
Membership Secretary:	Pam Rushworth
Newsletter Editor:	Ginny Legh
Obedience Demonstration Coordinator:	Vickie Dean
Publicity Officer & Web Coordinator:	Nicholas Gray
Training Equipment Officer:	Kay Luke
Training & Trial Equipment Officer:	Andy Seitz
Asst Treasurer (& Asst Equipment Officer):	Barbara Gurney

Trial Sub Committee (Obedience)

Trial Manager:	Andy Seitz
Trial Secretary:	Di Hollett
Chief Steward:	Gael Goldsack
Trophy Officer:	Denise Wigney

Trial Sub Committee (Agility)

Trial Manager:	Andy Seitz
Trial Secretary:	Tsui Hui
Chief Steward:	Phil Palangas
Trophy Officer:	Maggie Young

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9440 2047(Saturdays only)

Please note this telephone has no message recording facility.
It will only be answered during training times
&/or
if the ring tone is heard by someone in the Clubhouse.

NSDTC DOGGY DIARY DATES



February - April 2010

Saturday 6 Feb	New Members	BYO BBQ 5pm	
Saturday 13 Feb	Flyball training	2.15-2.45pm	
Saturday 20 Feb	New Members		
Saturday 27 Feb	Flyball training	2.15-2.45pm	General Meeting 4.00
Saturday 6 Mar	New Members	BYO BBQ 5pm	Trial steward training 12.30
Saturday 13 Mar	Flyball training	2.15-2.45pm	
Saturday 20 Mar	New Members		Instructors' meeting 4.00
Wed 24 Mar	Committee Meeting 7.30pm		
Saturday 27 Mar	Flyball training	2.15-2.45pm	Trial steward training 4.00
Saturday 3 April	No training - Easter Saturday		
Saturday 10 April	New Members		Trial steward training 12.30 & 4.00
Saturday 17 April	Flyball training	2.15-2.45pm	General Meeting 4.00
Saturday 24 April	New Members		
Sunday 25 April	NSDTC Obedience Trial		
Saturday 1 May	KK9 Test Day 12-2.00pm		
	Flyball training	2.15-2.45pm	BYO BBQ 5pm



**The minutes of all General Meetings are available to all members
They can be viewed on the noticeboard in the Club House**