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A heeling pattern



Return to handler & sit



Whoa!! Stop!! It's not a game!

Gundog Working Tests



A long recall after a 1 minute sit stay



Dummy is thrown



Return to handler with dummy



Retrieve dummy



Sit & give

Welcome to our new members

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

4/4/09

Katie Chen with Holly Marica, Robert and Emma with Ziggv Trish Downs with Ziggy Beth Ellicott and Nick Francis with Ruby Rebecca and Luke Fahey with **Brindle** Judy Finney with Oscar Audrey and Gavin Lewis with Finn Rhea Liebmann with Rani Madeleine and Peter Luchsinger with **Sparty** Andrew and Jennifer Surjadi with Remy Sharon, Tony, Daniel and Keiran McAdams with Mac and Clark Leon. Chris and Hannah McNamara with Trevor Sue Singe with **Poppy and Friar Tuck** Gretel Shanahan with Tully Eiko Woodhouse with Bonny

25/4/09

Daniel, Marie and Megan Allman with **Oscar** Mark and Sophie Barnsley with **Pip** Faaiza Haque with **Spencer** Ellen Ho with **Jelly** Alex Lewis and Sarah Warren with **Lola**

Devna and Pawan Luthra with **Millie** Suwandi Tan and Elisabeth Djapardy with **Muffin**

Gail, Rebecca and Jonathon Thompson with

9/5/09

Jessica Baylis with **Holly** Robyn and Steve Davies with Scruffv Christine Elliott and Zac Homer with Flovd Sue and Jason Feros with Mala Ian and Anthea Gorfin with Frankie Graham, Sharon, Jessica, Rachel and Geoffrev John Herkes with Ella and Bailev Rosaline Lam with **Danny** Adam and Edwina Read with Cooper Katherine Reidy with Mac Jutta, Rudi, Thorolf and Franziska Rudischhauser with Kuno Jean Shatek with Jaffa Karen Trafford with Keziah Adrian Watson with Crunchy Michelle Wickens with Tali Victoria Wouters with Tex



2008 APDT Prize for Canine Welfare Science

Sydney University Animal Welfare Veterinary Science Essay was awarded to Melissa Cresswell.

This prize, judged by Dr Paul McGreevy, is awarded annually to the student enrolled in Animal Behaviour & Animal Welfare Science whose essay demonstrates the greatest understanding of the issues relating to behaviour & welfare of the domestic dog. Melissa has had an interest in dog training most of her life & is a member & instructor at the Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club.

APDT congratulate Melissa.

Melissa Cresswell (right) received her award from Sandy Lack, APDT Vice President, at Sydney University on 3rd April, 2009.

Congratulations from all at Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club - we are very proud of you!

Congratulations on your promotion

28.3.09

To **3rd** Class Prue Petinsky with Amy Roger Faulkner & Disni

3.4.09

To 2nd Class
Kathryn Genther & Zena
Jane Jones & Beth
Michael Bell & Nevada

16.4.09

To 2nd Class

Jenny Arnott & Lara

25.4.09

To 3rd Class

Abbie Hartman & Archie

2.5.09

To 2nd Class Ray Temple & Cody Paul Jobberns & Zara Belle



Club Treasurer - Position Vacant

This is an executive position. The treasurer is a member of the Finance Sub Committee.

The treasurer needs to be a member of Dogs NSW.

Duties include:

Receive & bank all monies paid to the Club. Arrange payment of accounts Keep all necessary books of accounts & financial statements

Prepare balance sheets for all general & committee meetings & a report for the AGM Liaise with club officers re purchase & stock control of equipment & trophies.

Please contact the President, Sandra Fry (Ph 9416 6080) if you can help

An important message from Ku-ring-gai Council

A spate of recent dog attacks has prompted Council to appeal to dog owners to properly supervise their pets in all public places.

The NSW Companion Animals Act requires dogs to be on leashes in all public areas other than off-leash areas, where they are required to be 'under effective control' of their owners.

It is an offence for dogs to attack, bite, harass, chase or rush at any person or animal (other than vermin). It is important to understand there does not need to be an actual injury to a person or animal for an offence to occur.

The minimum penalty for breaching the attack provisions of the Companion Animals Act is a \$550 fine.

Ku-ring-gai has pioneered off-leash areas & now has a total of 20, more than any other Council area in NSW.



Let's take a look at some of the questions commonly asked by owners of new puppies

How do I get my puppy to focus on me?

- You have to be more exciting & interesting than anything else in the world around you.
- Regularly practise the 'look' or 'watch' exercise you learned in class. Give huge amounts of praise & rewards as soon as your pup looks at you. Once your puppy understands the word means 'look up at my face' & it immediately earns a treat, you'll find your pup pays you a lot of attention. Use the cue word when the pup is still or when you're walking with them.
- Always use a 'happy' & enthusiastic voice tone when talking to & praising your pup.
- Choose a praise word like 'yes' & use it for any good response. Later on you will be able to reward **every good response** with your **praise word** & give **treats every so often** (instead of every time, as you must do when training a new exercise).
- Have fun when training bounce around, run for a couple of steps, clap your hands, generally be a bit silly & light-hearted. Training should always be fun for you & your pup.
- Try to keep the lead loose. A tight lead ends up in a tug-of-war & the pup certainly won't concentrate on you when the only thing on their mind is to 'get over there' or 'sniff that thing'! Use the 'look' or 'watch' cue liberally (& treat reward of course!!) to regain their attention.
- Use plenty of treats or a toy motivator during training. Once the 'look' cue is established you can start reducing the number of treats, but be generous in the early stages of training.

How do I get my puppy to come to me when I call them?

- Never use a an angry, stern or scolding voice to call your puppy.
- Make returning to you fun & **very** rewarding. Give plenty of praise & lots of rewards as soon as the pup turns & looks at you & when the pup reaches you.
- If your pup tends to run away, try running in the opposite direction, squeak in a high pitched voice & sound happy usually their curiosity will get the better of them & they'll come running to see what exciting thing you've found or are doing. As soon as the pup reaches you, offer a flavoursome treat or a favourite toy. Gently & quietly take hold of the collar so the pup doesn't learn to grab the treats & run off again. A long lead may help with training the 'run-away' pup.
- Turn coming to you into a game call, put your hand on their collar, reward liberally, then **release the pup again** & keep repeating this exercise. Do this as many times as you can, each time you are in safe area such as your garden or a fenced, leash free park. Don't let your pup get too far away before calling them back. As the recall becomes more reliable you can increase the distance you let them go before calling them again.
- Use exciting food treats for this exercise. Frankfurts, cheese, cabanossi & BBQ chicken are very tempting to all dogs. Reward liberally each time the pup comes to you
- You have to make yourself the 'best thing since sliced bread' in your pup's eyes more fun, more interesting & the giver of rewards. (NB. The pup's normal kibble is boring as a treat!)
- Remember **never** scold your pup when they come to you. If they've been naughty, you go them, not the other way round.

I thought my puppy was toilet trained but.....!

If your puppy seems to have forgotten their toilet routine, here are a few tips.

Firstly, get them checked by your vet to make sure there is no underlying urinary problem.

If all is clear then -

- Go right back to basics take them out every two hours during the day & wait till they have a piddle or a poo. As they start to squat, quietly say 'good toilet' (or whatever word you've chosen to use). As they finish give lots of praise & a treat. You will need to do this with absolute consistency, for a minimum of 3 days to re-establish a toilet routine.
- Once you're sure they know the cue word, use it as you go out into the garden, for example 'go toilet" or 'be quick'. (Some owners teach two cue words one for piddle, one for poo).
- Take them to the same area each time. Pups quickly learn that there is a certain spot that is their toilet area.
- Take the pup out as soon a they wake up, within half an hour of a meal & after playing with them for about 10-15 minutes (games make bladders & bowels work overtime!)
- Be patient, you may have to wait up to 5 minutes before they oblige (& 5 minutes on a cold winter's night can seem like an eternity!!)
- Don't show your annoyance if they make another mistake, just quietly say 'uhuh' & clean up the mess!!
- Use non-ammonia based cleaners those with an enzymatic base are good or use a cleaner with an eucalyptus oil scent.
- \bullet If your pup tends to defaecate on concrete patios or pathways, try feeding them in these spots
- dogs don't normally like to go to the toilet in areas where they eat.
- Until they are about 4-5 months old, pups should sleep in a crate or small pen if they are sleeping in your bedroom. Take them out as soon as **you** wake up or accidents will happen.
- Remember if your puppy is shut in a laundry or garage whilst you are away, you must not be surprised if they wee or poo their bladder & bowel control are not fully developed yet & when 'you've gotta go, you've gotta go!'

Never scold your pup or rub their nose in the mess - they will not understand what you're carrying on about, especially if the 'accident' occurred some minutes before.

When can I stop training my puppy - I really don't have any spare time?

The simple answer is never! Young dogs, in particular, will forget what you've taught them & slip back into doing whatever they like if training is not regularly reinforced with practice, praise & rewards.

But... once you've really made an intensive effort & taught your puppy the basic exercises, you can practise all these when you take your puppy for their daily walk - walking nicely on a loose lead, sitting beside you before you cross a road, coming to you when off lead in a fenced park or your garden. Remember to always take plenty of treats with you on every walk & praise & reward whenever the pup is behaving well.

You can practise down & 'on your mat' when your puppy is inside & you're watching TV. Wait or stay can happen before every meal. Have your pup sit or lie down, tell them to wait then call them as you put their food on the floor.

Tips for Obedience Training

After completing the basics - what else can I do with my dog?

Obedience & agility trialling, flyball, herding, earthdog tests, canine freestyle (dancing with dogs) endurance tests, etc. You may be able to join our club team who give demonstrations at a variety of community events. We show the public the joy & satisfaction of having a happy, well-behaved canine family member & promote responsible dog ownership.

At our annual obedience trial on 26 April dogs performed under the eagle eyes of our judges.

The tests they competed in ranged from CCD (Community Companion Dog) to UDX (Utility Dog Excellent). At least 10 Club members qualified & some moved up to the next level.

CCD is the entry level test. Each dog & handler team complete a heeling pattern (the dog on lead), a brief stand for examination (on lead) & a short recall (off lead). Dogs who get through their individual tests then go on to do a 1 minute sit stay & a 2 minute down stay - this is done as a group, with the handlers in full sight, only 6 metres away from the dogs.

Our Saturday classes cover all the exercises you & your dog will need to know & be competent in, to compete in any of the above activities.

Basic obedience is the bottom-line essential for everything

Heeling - which means walking quietly & steadily beside your left leg at normal, slow & fast paces

Sitting, dropping & standing beside your left leg & staying in the heel position as you turn in any direction

Standing still whilst another person (judge, vet, council ranger or a club instructor) runs their hands gently over the dog's body



Coming when called. Involves handler & dog walking a short distance off lead, the dog staying in a sit whilst the handler walks away & turns to face their dog, then the recall & the dog sitting in front when they reach their handler





Staying steadily in a sit & down position when in a line of dogs (group stays)

Think back....! You are already doing all basic essentials of these exercises in class.

In Advanced First & Advanced Puppy classes you will find your dog's concentration span is often very short & you may only get a limited response - a few steps of good heeling, a quick sit or down then the dog is distracted by something much more interesting & appears to forget all they've ever learned & goes back to just being 'a dog' - pulling, jumping & generally fooling around!

Don't despair - with many, many short training sessions the wanted behaviours will become the norm & you'll wonder why you ever thought you'd never succeed.

In the early stages you need to practise the basic exercises in quiet surroundings with the least number of distractions. (NB. Sometimes your dog will be distracted during class (it's **so.....** exciting!) but remember, in class we are really training & showing **you** how to train your dog).

Once you have the basics in place, it is time to start practising in other places. During your daily walks, on the footpath outside the shopping centre, at the sports ground, when you have visitors, during the family BBQ, etc.

When you reach 3rd Class you'll be encouraged to get ready to compete in the Ku-ring-gai K9 Award. This is an in-house test of basic manners & obedience. We hold the test twice each year (see the April/May issue of Yaps & Yelps for more details or read about the Award in your Club Handbook).

Once your dog is reasonably competent in the 3rd Class exercises, you are ready to start agility (so long as your dog is over 12 months old). Agility training takes place from 9.30 - 12 midday on Saturdays. You will be shown how to train your dog to negotiate jumps, tunnels, the table (where the dog has to wait for a few seconds in the middle of the course), the A frame, the dog walk & the seesaw. Sounds simple, but some of the obstacles have special requirements - such as contact points which the dog's feet must touch on the way up or down the obstacle. It's lots of fun & most dogs absolutely love it!! It's also very good exercise for humans!

Once you are in 4th Class you will have a number of options -

- to continue training your dog so you are ready to trial at the CCD level obedience
- to continue with obedience training just because you & your dog enjoy working together
- or to join the Social Novice Class where you & your dog will participate in some general obedience work & some agility. Every so often a session introducing you to tracking may be included.

Every second week, one of our instructors is available to teach you the basics of flyball. In this sporting activity the dogs run over 3 very low jumps, step on a special dispenser box which releases a tennis ball which they catch & then they return over the jumps to their handler. Again it's a lot of fun & the dogs become really excited & thoroughly enjoy the game.

We encourage you all to stay with the club beyond the very basic classes. You can expect to be in Advanced First & Advanced Puppy classes for at least 4 weeks, before you will be ready to be tested for promotion to 2^{nd} Class.

Promotion to 2nd, 3rd & 4th Class requires you to pass an easy, one-on-one test. Ask your instructors to tell you exactly what you'll be expected to do for the test to each level.

It is normal to stay at each level for a minimum of 4 weeks as there are new exercises to be learned & you & your dog need time to perfect these. Promotion beyond 4th Class is by achievement of obedience titles.

A Healthy Dog is a Happy Dog

Winter is here & your dog feels the cold too!

Some ideas to help ward off the winter chills & keep your dog comfortable

Most dogs love roaring around in the cold weather but once the exercise stops

Older dogs will often show signs of stiffness & sometimes be sore as they get up after a snooze or when they try to jump onto a bed or into the car.

Some will be reluctant to go for their normal length walks, preferring to just mosey around reading the messages left on trees & footpaths, then clearly indicating 'we'll go home now'. Just like humans, older dogs or those who have suffered injuries, are prone to osteoarthritis (the ageing effect of wear & tear on joint surfaces). It causes pain, stiffness & sometimes swelling of joints, especially in the legs & spine.

Warmth & gentle massage can help a lot but it is advisable to have your Vet check your dog thoroughly to rule out any other veterinary problems. These days Vets have access to very effective anti-inflammatory & pain relieving medications & can prescribe whatever is suitable for your dog.

Acupuncture can also provide excellent pain relief & an increase in mobility. A lot of Vet practices now provide this medium alongside traditional veterinary medicine.

Don't forget to continue regular tick, heartworm & flea control measures during the winter months. Although ticks & fleas are less prevalent during winter they are still around & mosquitoes never take a winter holiday.

Whenever possible your dog should sleep inside, especially during winter. Even when inside they need a well padded bed, raised at least 15cms above floor level to protect them from draughts. Their bed should be in a quiet, sheltered corner of a room so they can relax & sleep.

If your dog must sleep outside, make sure they have a waterproof shelter, protected from cold winds & that their bed is raised well above any concrete or ground surface. Provide plenty of soft, warm bedding so the dog can make a nest & snuggle in. Their 'house' should be big enough so the dog can lie in a fully stretched position if they want to, but small enough to be cosy & so the dog's body can warm the surrounding air in their 'house'.

If you want to spoil your pet, why not give it its own warm, soft, cuddle toy? There is a vast range of soft, plush toys for your pet to snuggle up to. These are especially soothing & reassuring for young puppies who have recently left their mums. Remove all hard/sharp parts!

You can also give your dog the latest in pet coats. A huge range is available from knitted coats all the way through to attractive oilskin coats for the tough Aussie dog.

Don't forget the value of exercise for you & your pets. It's one of the best ways of warming up & in this cooler weather, your pet won't run the risk of heat stress & the discomfort of walking on burning hot bitumen or concrete.

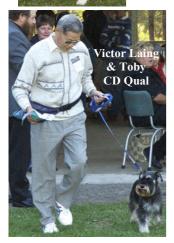
If your dog gets wet, make sure you dry them off completely before putting them to bed.

Thermostatically controlled heat pads can be placed under a pet's bed & provided your pet will not chew the electric lead, the pads are a good way of providing soft, gentle heat. Ask your vet to order one in for you. (**Not** recommended for **young puppies**, who like to chew everything!)



Karin Bridge & Matilda CD Qual

Success for Club members at our Obedience Trial

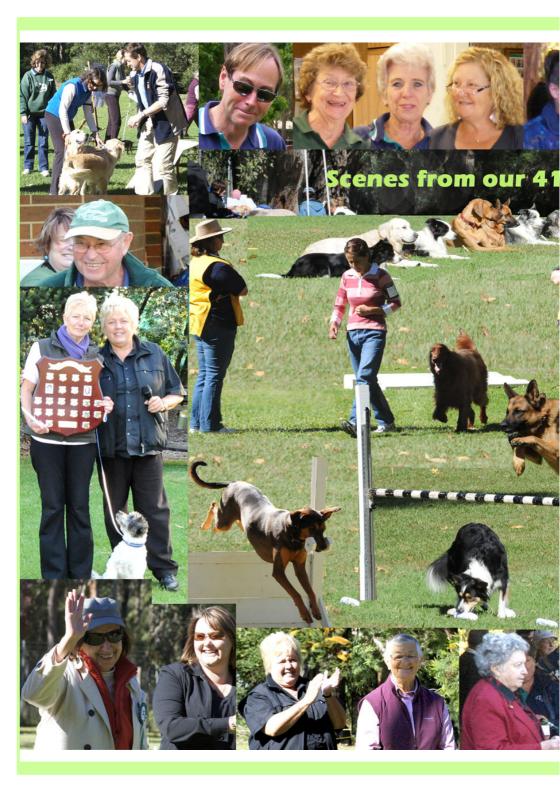


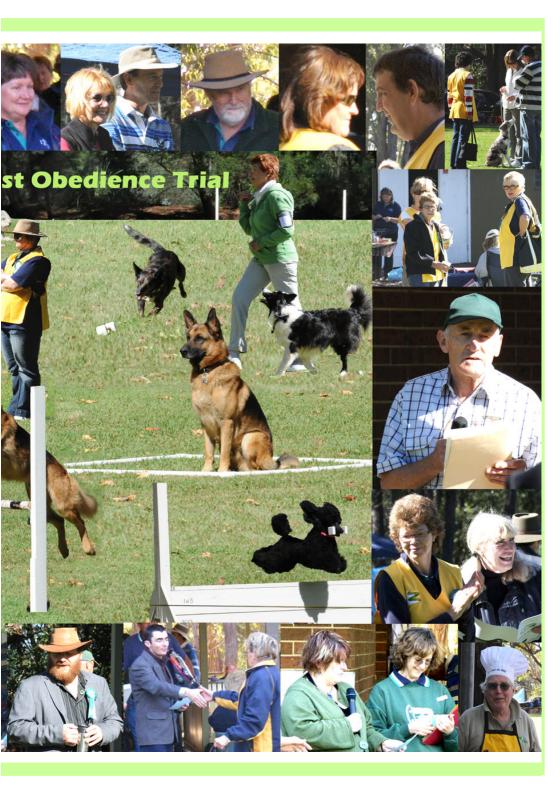
Geoff Woodman

& Kayley CD Qual









Zanzebern Pure Elegance CGC CD OJC OAC

"Ellie"

11th September 1998 - 26th April 2009

She wagged her tail until the last And she smiles in her last long sleep The troubles of her life are past A shrine in my heart I'll keep

I loved my girl to the very end And she in our daily walk, Was never just a dog, but a constant friend And we had no need to talk

Goodbye happy, waggy girl

Sadly missed by Gael, Bob and Tara



Vale - Four much loved dogs our love & sympathy to Gael, Karin, Barb & their families

Dalheath Money Matters JDM ADM JDO SPD GD ET CCD CGC

"Matilda" 15/2/03 – 1/5/09



Matilda came to me as a one year old with just a little show experience behind her. She had a very willing, but soft & submissive nature – always desperately wanting to please me. To help Matilda grow in confidence, I showered her with love & attention. My philosophy was basically that she could do no wrong, all mistakes were mine & I had to hide my disappointment if training errors were made or she'd feel she'd let me down.

How could I do less for a dog that offered me her total devotion & faithfulness?

Matilda taught me more than any of my other dogs, that the journey is everything.

What is any result worth if the road you fleetingly travel together isn't one of mutual joy?

Our road included being a member of the Sydney Royal Demonstration team & visits to nursing homes & schools where she excelled as an ambassador for dogs & for her breed. Her many titles – JDM ADM JDO SPD GD ET CCD CGC – are a reflection of the time we spent together – nothing more & nothing less –

for it is as my companion that Matilda was and forever will be a Champion

Driftway Kannella CD ET ADM JDM

"Nella"

1.11.96 to 11.05.09

Our beautiful black girl has left this world.

Nella always loved to retrieve, learning to fetch the newspaper from only 3 months. She started in obedience, attaining her CD, Ku-ring-gai K9 Award & enjoyed the gundog working tests.

She performed in the demonstration team at the Royal Easter Show, specialising in "Jump over dog".



After trying Canine Fun Sports one evening, she picked up the basics of agility very quickly & worked towards competition, winning the Novice Agility at the Easter Show & going on to gain her Masters titles in Agility & Jumping. She also attained multiple ADAC titles, won our club agility point score title & came 8th in the final of NSW Agility Dog of the Year. Whilst not as flashy as some working breeds, Nella was deceptively economical, making surprisingly good times with focused & ever reliable runs.

She loved going for walks in the bush with her friends, especially if there were creeks & waterholes for swimming. All those kilometres kept her very fit & helped her pass the Endurance Test.

Even nearing the end of her days she always gave life her best with a tireless wagging tail.

Jilla seems rather lost without her motherly warmth & security & we miss her soft velvety ears & paw in our laps & the gaze of her sweet brown eyes.

Much loved & deeply missed.

Barb, Rob, family & friends.





"Tara"

26th September 2001 - 29th May 2009

You walked with me in spring time A clumsy puppy running free As you grew, we grew together -You became a part of me

Because you did not fear the future, Living only for the now I drew strength from your example -Yet time slipped by somehow.

Goodbye beautiful big girl You will always walk with us

Sadly missed by Gael and Bob

Trial Results

Obedience & Agility triallers - please enter your results in the Trial Results folder in the Club office. This is the best way to ensure results 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
Darien Northcote & Lulu	11.10.08	GSDL	CCD - Qual
	19.10.08	Southern Highlands K&OC	CCD - Qual
	15.11.08	Macquarie Towns DTC	CCD - Title
	12.4.09	GSDL	CD - Qual & 2nd
Judy Mourelle & Jazz	20.9.08	Blacktown K& DTC	CCD - Qual
	26.4.09	Northern Suburbs DTC	CCD - Title & 2nd
	29.4.09	Metropolitan Mid Week DTC	CCD - Qual & 3rd
Darien Northcote & Vella	19.10.08	Southern Highlands K&OC	CCD - Title &1st
	29.11.08	Blue Mountains DTC	CD - Title & 1st
Patricia Walsh & Venus	21.2.09	Werriwa DTC	CD - Qual & 1st
Patricia Walsh & Tianah	21.2.09	Werriwa DTC	CD - Title & 1st
Judy Perrin & Fernie	31.1.09	Penrith DTC	CDX - Qual
	14.3.09	Hornsby DTC	CDX - Qual
	22.3.09	Brush Farm DTC	CDX - Title
	20.4.09	Metropolitan Mid Week DTC	CDX - Qual
Tricia Nicola & Pandora	14.3.09	Hornsby DTC	CCD - Qual
	26.4.09	Northern Suburbs DTC	CCD - Title
Geoff Woodman & Kayley	26.4.09	Northern Suburbs DTC	CD - Qual

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
Wendy Johnston & Quix	11.4.09	Armidale Dog Training Club	ADX Qual & 2nd
•	12.4.09	Armidale Dog Training Club	JDX Qual & 3rd
Patricia Walsh & Venus	22.3.09	Dogs NSW	JDO - Qual
Geoff Woodman & Kayley	22.2.09	Dogs NSW	JDO - Qual
	24.3.09	ACT Companion Dog Club	SDX - Qual & 1st
	3.2.09	Hawkesbury Dog Agility Club	ADM - Qual 2nd
	14.3.09	Belconnen DOC	ADM - Qual & 3rd
Nicole Keller & Alfa	8.3.09	Newcastle	ADO2 - Title
Geoff Woodman & Tammy	14.3.09	Belconnen DOC	AD - Qual & 1st
Anna Uther & Keshi	21.4.09	Royal Ag Soc (Sydney Royal Easter Show)	GDX - Qual
Anna Uther & Holly	21.4.09	Royal Ag Soc (Sydney Royal Easter Show)	GDX - Qual

Our Annual Agility Trial - Sunday 2 August 2009

We always need help on the day.

Anyone interested in learning how to be a time keeper or steward is welcome. Please see Russell Clarke for details on any Saturday morning during Agility training.

The Club Demonstration Team will be part of the Purr-fect Pets Expo Franklins Level of the St Ives Shopping Village on Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 July 2009.

Our Team will be giving demonstrations of basic obedience, fun & games & Dancing with Dogs

11am on Saturday & 11am & 2.30 on Sunday. Come & support the team.

THE CANINE QUIZ

Copyright - R. J. Park, Sydney, Australia, March 2009

Our thanks to Bob Park for allowing the Canine Quiz to be published in our Club Journal. Please note this quiz is copyright & cannot be reproduced without permission of the author. The answers will be published in the next issue of Yaps & Yelps. The Editor

If "APOD" means "A pack of dogs" then solve the following

- 1. ADITM.
- 2. ADIMBF.
- 3. ACAADHL.
- 4. A S E D.
- 5. C"H!" ALSTDOW.
- 6. DDA.
- 7. D-E-D.
- 8 FDHHD
- 9. FASAPDT....
- 10. GADABN.
- 11. HOTDTBY.
- 12. HMITDITW?
- 13. LSDL.
- 14. MDAEGOITMS.
- 15. NSDTC.
- 16. OMHWTTCTGHPDAB,
- 17. POTD.
- 18. RCAD.
- 19. RLADTTE.
- 20. SM.
- 21. TTHLOAD.
- 22. TDAMH.
- 23. T D I W T D.

- 24. TLDLTSSF.....
- 25. TQBFJOTLD.
- 26. TTWTD.
- 27. T D N.
- 28. WLTDO?
- 29. WAK, K, PW, GTDAB,
- 30. YANBAHD.....
- 31 YCTAODNT
- 32. ASOF.
- 33. OTFFHLITM.
- 34. TQBFJOTLD.
- 35. THOTB.
- 36. TDOTJ.
- 37. APOW.
- 38. AWISC.
- 39. KTWFTD.
- 40. TACDLTWOTE.....
- 41. TBWCW.
- 42 TTTW
- 43. WAOTBBW?
- 44. W D.
- 45 W-W

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 \$30 (\$10 joining fee & \$20 annual subscription)

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•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: \$3 per class per dog for all members except Juniors & Pensioners who pay \$2.

YAPS & YELPS The Club journal is published every two months & is available from the table at the clubhouse.

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

NB. Agility

New memberships

can only be accepted on

Saturday afternoons

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

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

NSDTC Vaccination Policy

- NSDTC Inc requires a **minimum C3** (distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus) vaccination <u>after the age of 12 weeks</u> 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.
- All vaccination certificates must be signed by a registered veterinary surgeon.
- Homeopathic 'vaccinations' will not be accepted.

REMEMBER. 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 <u>on lead</u> 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 \$3.00 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.

Highlights from the General Meeting held on Saturday 18th April 2009

Business Arising from the Minutes:

Wind-up of Brenda Aloff committee will be finalised at the end of April. Payment for the Louise Lennon Pavilion has been credited to NSDTC. Full report tabled & covered in Other Reports

New forms still to be uploaded to the website. Electrical sub-board has been moved successfully

The Ground Hire from KMC saga is still on-going with no reply to our letter of 4th March received to date.

Correspondence: (** Items for action)

Account for payment from Acrobat Print for Y&Y - to Deb**

Overdue notice for PO Box hire from Aust Post **

From KMC re maintenance requests (gutter guard, door, water leak) **

From KMC re permission to relocate the electricity sub-board

From Dogs NSW requesting Agility demo for St Ives Show

Thank you card from Ella Somerville

Business Arising from Correspondence:

The PO Box hire has been paid.

Nicholas reported the DA for verandah extensions didn't include the installation of gutter guard. Barbara located the DA. The secretary will write to the owner of the dog, who attached another dog & bit a club member on 4th April after training, stating that the dog must be muzzled whilst on the training grounds.

It was moved by Judy Perrin on behalf of the Brenda Aloff sub-committee, seconded by Bron Maurer that:

a) The profit from the Brenda Aloff seminar be set aside for the future education of our instructors & members by setting up a designated N.S.D.T.C. 'Education Account'. The interest earned being for the benefit of the club.

b) An Education sub committee be set up to research & recommend to the club future educational courses & to plan their implementation. Results (a) Carried 16 for, 6 against (b) Carried unanimously. Treasurer to research a suitable account.

An education sub-committee containing representatives from both obedience and agility consisting of Jenny Scamps, Bron Maurer, Julie Parrott, Penny Dalzell, Pam Lui, Mo Kramer & Judy Perrin was appointed. They will meet & report back to future committee meetings.

Treasurers Report: Read by the Treasurer, Deb Selby. Current Balance \$72,507.70 as at 31st March 2009

Business Arising from Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer reported that there was nearly \$8,000 in up-coming expenditure (this included \$4,400 to the Council for disputed ground hire in 2008 which should not be nearly that amount)

Obedience Training Report: Given by Chief Instructor, Judy Perrin

Two mock trials under Judge Di have been conducted. Plans in place for Canteen bandanna fundraiser in October. The successful Brenda Aloff Seminar should help our understanding & teaching of Canine Body Language.

The 'Are you ready for the Obedience Ring' flier has been distributed to trialling class members.

All classes now being instructed on aspects for the KK9 award.

UD classes now start, where possible at 12 noon. Promotion tests have been altered slightly

Agility Training Report:

There will be an Agility demo at 9.30am on 31st May for the Dogs' Day Out & on 16th May for the St Ives Show.

Wendy Johnston & Vickie Priestley currently lead the Club point score.

Obedience Trial Report: Given by Trial Manager, Andy Seitz

All is on track for the trial on 26 April.

Agility Trial Report:

Russell needs a cheque for \$175 to hire equipment. We are waiting for the schedule to go in the journal.

Membership Secretary's Report: Current membership is 433. An up-to-date list will be available in time for the trial.

Other Reports:

Brenda Aloff: Penny Dalzell tabled a final report. The seminar was a great success.

The course was fully subscribed (125) with another 15 turned away.

Thank you cards have been sent to sponsors, etc. & Certificates of Attendance are being distributed.

The seminar came in under budget; advances have been repaid with the balance to be divided between the 2 clubs (projected at under \$6K each). The raffle made \$689. Thank you to all helpers

General Business:

- * Jenny Scamps reported that Pigs' Ears are now in short supply. 4 month waiting list for orders. The supplier has offered beef ears in 2 sizes. The club will buy a carton of each size & sell them in \$5 lots.
- * Di Hollett reported a spreadsheet for a Financial Plan had been set up & any items for the budget should be given to the committee prior to their meeting on 2 May The committee consists of Sandy Fry, Deb Selby, Di Hollett & Barb Rogleff.
- * Nicholas Gray reported the PA system is still undergoing repairs & is required for the trial next Sunday
- * Bron Maurer suggested we need a new video camera. Prices around the \$500 mark. Barb Rogleff to check in Choice.
- * Ginny Legh noted we needed a compatible DVD recorder/player.
- * Nicholas Gray will report the water leak outside the clubhouse to the Council.

PATRONS

Mr Stoyan Rogleff Mayor of Ku-ring-gai Dr Angus Ross Dr Michael Eaton Dr Marc Simpson

CLUB EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE

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9477 4430 Treasurer: Debbie Selby

Vice Presidents: Di Hollett 9984 8488 (Finance)

> 9449 1941 (Admin) Eve Park

Chief Instructors: Judy Perrin 9449 7388 (Obedience)

Russell Clarke 9997 1798 (Agility)

9416 6080 **Joining Enquiries:** Sandra Fry

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Clubhouse Coordinator & KK9 Coordinator: Bronwyn Maurer

Clubhouse Catering: Anna Uther

Council & Showground Liaison Officer: Barbara Rogleff

Librarian: Ruth Hyde

Assistant Librarian & Purchasing Officer: Jenny Scamps

Membership Secretary: Pam Rushworth

Assistant Membership Secretaries: John Jonker

Newsletter Editor: Ginny Legh

Obedience Demonstration Coordinator: Vickie Dean Publicity Officer & Web Coordinator: Nicholas Gray

Training Equipment Officer: Kay Luke

Assistant Training Equipment Officer: Barbara Gurney Trial Equipment Officers: Obedience: Andy Seitz **Agility:** Geoff Woodman

Trophy Officer (general): Patricia Woodman

Trial Committee (Obedience) Trial Committee (Agility) Trial Manager: Andy Seitz Trial Manager: Andy Seitz Trial Secretary: Eve Park Trial Secretary: Russell Clarke Chief Steward: Gael Goldsack Chief Steward: Phil Palangas **Trophy Officer:** Denise Wigney Trophy Officer: Tracey Elder

Catering Officers: Kay Luke & Kay Hogan

NSDTC DOGGY DIARY DATES



June - August 2009

Saturday 6 June No training - Sausage Sizzle & games from 12 noon

Saturday 13 June Flyball 2.15- 2.45

Saturday 20 June New Members

Saturday 27 June Flyball 2.15- 2.45. General Meeting 4pm

Membership renewals due

Saturday 4 July New Members. BYO BBQ 5pm. Nominations open for AGM

Saturday 11 July Flyball 2.15- 2.45

Saturday 18 July New Members. Instructors' meeting 4pm

Wednesday 22 July Committee Meeting 7.30pm

Saturday 25 July Flyball 2.15- 2.45

Saturday 1 August New Members. BYO BBQ 5pm. Nominations close for AGM

Sunday 2 August NSDTC Annual Agility Trial

Saturday 8 August Flyball 2.15- 2.45

Saturday 15 August New Members

Saturday 22 August Flyball 2.15-2.45. Annual General Meeting 4pm

Saturday 29 August New Members

