

# GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC. Committee for 1991/92

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# <u>GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.</u> <u>NEWSLETTER NO. 43</u>



To the newer members this Newsletter is produced bi-monthly and distributed on the last training day of that month. Members unable to attend on that date may ask their Instructor to reserve a copy for them.

The new Committee has been elected since the last Newsletter (see front page listing). They are ready and willing to listen to anything you the members have to say, and are prepared to help you with any problem you may have.

This year a Life Membership was awarded to ROMA ROSCOE who has been a stalwart member of our Club over many years. Roma has served as a committee member, and has instructed very capably over the years. Many members have had the benefit of Roma's expertise and it has provided sound groundwork to build on. Congratulations Roma.

Whilst mentioning Life Members, my apology is extended to Tehree Gordon for omitting to state that she too is a Qualified Obedience Instructor, along with those mentioned in the last issue of the Newsletter, and was in fact, the first Geelong member in the club to gain this title.

Yet again our Open and Associate Obedience Trial proved a success, and to the many people who helped in the organisation of this, before and on the day, thank you for a job well done. To the competitors who were successful congratulations, and to those others, keep at it, you <u>WILL</u> win.

Our Club is currently collecting donations of dog food, canned or dry to make the Christmas period at the Geelong Animal Welfare Association just that little easier, so please give to allow others to live. Donations to this hamper can be left in the clubhouse.

DON'T forget to book your tickets for our Christmas dinner dance which is on DECEMBER 14. This night usually proves to be highly enjoyable, so make up a table with your friends and come along.

Members are further reminded that the last training evening for the year will be on <u>DECEMBER 18</u>. This trainingsession usually incorporates fun events in each class, prior to the general announcements and presentation of Annual Awards in the clubhouse. Please come inside for this end of year session. Coffee is provided free to ALL members on that evening, so mix and chat with your fellow classmates and join in the Christmas spirit. Bring along some meat to cook on the club barbecue after presentations have finished.

Again I would remind members that snakes are out and about. Early in the season, like now, after having slept for the winter, their venom is at its highest potency.

Snakebite treatment for animals is exactly the same treatment as administered to humans.

Should your dog be bitten ring your veterinarian immediately to ascertain whether they carry antivenin and if necessary, they will advise you as to what Clinic to go to if they don't have such stock on hand themselves.

We have had snakes in the outside exercise paddocks and on our grounds in past years, so do take care. A good thing to remember from now on if you take your dogs in bushland, in farming areas or near inland waterways, it is best done in the early morning or at dusk when it is not really warm enough for the snakes to be sunbaking.

## EDITORIAL/2

In closing may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year and remind those members who are in the lower classes to still keep up with your homework over the break. Don't however, do this in the heat of the day, make your training sessions early in the morning or early evening. Don't forget to include your best mate in your Christmas festivities, and if you take care over this holiday period it will be good to see you all back for recommencement of formal training on <u>JANUARY 29TH</u>. For any of your friends who may wish to join the Club, new enrolments and classes will start the following week on February 5.

Last but certainly not least, don't forget you can buy that special friend of yours a present from the Club Shop for Christmas. The shop has a full range of functional goodies and also those rewards we like to share on special occasions.

Elaine

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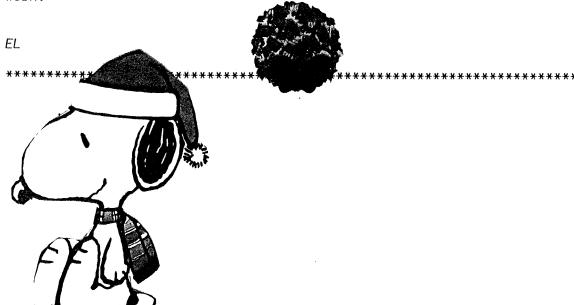
# TITBIT CORNER

Did you hear about the blonde bird who when asked if she was next in the ring, politely strode in and took up her position by the pole looking good, but should have incurred deductions for misbehaviour – forgot to take her dog with her! Good on you Lesley.

Seems one member of a Rottweiler household was saved by the bell. Wife wrote two consecutive trial entries out, <u>BUT</u> only posted <u>ONE</u>. Lucky her husband did the right thing and obtained his CD title on the Saturday, otherwise he may have practised his first aid and turned her into a Mummy! Margaret this is your life!

Seems some people should NEVER have licences to drive. In order to make our parking area more productive we have placed signs up with directions. ONE of you people ran over the sign DIDNYAS!!

The eternal delinquent (skinny Rottweiler) is now the proud owner of a BEST VETERAN sash after successfully competing at a specialist championship show. However, his <u>owner</u> may well earn a Veteran sash long before he learns his open work!





# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Welcome** to all the new members of the Club and I hope through the training you receive from our Instructors this will enable you to control your dog and make you a more responsible pet owner in our community.

At the end of October we had a fun day which was a great success. Thanks to the people who attended the working bee the day before, and to those who helped on the day, be it judging or working behind the scene. And, thanks to those members who entered the Fun Day. Most importantly the money we raised from the entries and the fun events will go to the Guide Dogs Association of Victoria.

To the members who marched in the Gala Parade and to all those who helped in organising same, thank you in promoting the club.

Well once again members can be very proud of the way our trial was run on Sunday, November 10. To those people who attended the working bee, helped in the kitchen, at the bar, stewarded, donated cakes for the cake stall and prizes for the raffle, and to all others that helped in any way, thank you.

Please remember as members, that this is YOUR Club, and if at any time you can help if only for an hour at any working bee or at training sessions, it will be greatly appreciated.

To the committee which has only been in office since October thanks for your support and efforts in running the Club. Thanks too, to the instructors for the time in training and guidance you are giving our members. Without instructors and committee working together we would not have a Club.

This being the last Newsletter for the year I would like to wish all members and their families a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

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### BARRY ELLIOIT

# GALA DAY PARADE

On November 1 we again joined in the Gala Parade and had perfect weather for handlers and dogs to be out enjoying themselves in.

This year we had a large contingent of club members join several of the Display Team for the walk and it was really pleasing to see our younger members getting involved as they are the future of this club.

There was a fairly long wait while the floats were judged, but unfortunately that couldn't be avoided, and finally the procession began.

From the comments of our intrepid walkers they had a great time meeting the crowds and several have already volunteered for next year's parade - that's beaut!

My sincere thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this outing so successful and enjoyable, and I am pleased that everyone had a great time.

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DESMA DICKESON DISPLAY TEAM LEADER

# OBEDIENCE CALENDAR

	CLOSING	<u>ACIUĂL</u>
VICTORIAN O.D.C. INC.	Closed	1.12.91
GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VIC. INC.	Closed	7.12.91
SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB OF VICTORIA	Closed	8.12.91
CROYDON & DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB. INC.	Closed	8.12.91

# CLUB CALENDAR

CHOCOLATE DRIVE CLOSES	27.11.91
DISPLAY (TAIT STREET SCHOOL)	29.11.91
7.30PM	
GENERAL MEETING	2.12.91
CHOCOLATE DELIVERY	4.12.91
CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE	14.12.91
INSTRUCTORS MEETING	16.12.91
LAST DAY OF TRAINING	18.12.91
(Display Team Demo. 6.30pm	
(Classes 7.00mm	





INSTRUCTORS MEETING
LAST DAY OF TRAINING
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(Presentations 8.00pm
NEWSLETTER CLOSING 8. 1.92
(Please note earlier cut-off date)
INSTRUCTORS MEETING 27.1.92
TRAINING RESUMES 29.1.92
COMMITTEE MEETING 4.2.92

# ADVERTISING RATES

Any member desirous of advertising anything in the Newsletter can do so by contacting the President or Secretary.

5.2.92

# The following rates are applicable:

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Full page Advertisement:	1 month	\$10.00
Half page Advertisement:	12 months	\$13.00
Half page Advertisement:	1 month	\$ 5.00
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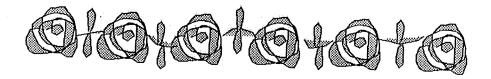
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# K9 PORTRAITS

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ENTRIES CLOSE 29/6/75.

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F.W. Lehrmann

(Affiliated with K.C.C.)

OPEN OBEDIENCE TRIAL

Secretary:

Mr. K. Scott Box 186

Geelong 3220 Phone 75 1786

SUNDAY 13th JULY, 1975.
BREAKWATER ROAD, BELMONT COMMON.

Entry Fee \$1.20

Inspection 12.30pm. to 1.00pm.

Admission

Free

Trial Commences 1.00pm.

Class	Judge	Class	Judge
Novice Dog (1) Novice Bitch (1) Open 'A' Utility	Mr. G. Cabena Mr. K. Musgrove Mrs. B. Cabena Mrs. M. Musgrove	Novice Dog (2) Novice Bitch (2) Open 'B' Encouragement Graduate	Mr. F. Lehrmann Mr. D. Weston Mr. K. O. Heyne Mr. R. Ashman Mr. F. Lehrmann

Please indicate preference of class 1 or 2 in Novice, stating reasons if any, and every attempt will be made to record your entry under the judge of your choice. However, the club reserves the right to place your entry in either class.

<u>Encouragement class</u> is for registered dogs & bitches that have never entered a novice class. Exercises will be full novice work with exception of heel free.

Graduate class will consist of Novice work with the addition of 'Stand free for examination, Drop on recall, Broad Jump, Three minute sit and five minute drop out of sight.

<u>Trophies</u> will be awarded to the highest qualifying score in each class. Ribbons will be awarded to the first three place getters in each class.

Entries must be made on official entry forms and reach the Secretary, Keith D. Scott Box 186 P.O. Geelong by 29th June, 1975. Entry fee \$ 1.20 must accompany each entry.

For entries in Graduate, Open and Utility it is essential that shoulder height of dog be shown.

Full canteen facilities will be available from 12.00 noon when lunch will be available.

ENTRIES CLOSE 29/6/75.

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED that if you earn a Certificate you are expected to come in for announcements the following training session!

The winner of our 'Design a Badge' competition is MARGARET METCALF. We look forward to seeing the finished product. Congratulations.

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BASIC OBEDIENCE!
Jim & Catherine Gulli with Tess
Boris Graljuk with Tara
Graham Mc Keegan with Tami

Lyn Newton with Crystel Ian Barnes with Bouncer Dianne Johnson with BoJo



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE PEOPLE!

BEGINNER'S OBEDIENCE!
Jenny Travers & Jess Wen
Ileana Miela & Jackson Jeo
Malinda Ksiasko & Toby Pet
Max Chapman & Joel Mic
Darren Edwards & Jess Ray
Claudia Castellan & Ceasar.

Wendy Bartels & Brandy Jeoff Evans & Biggles Peter Hackett & Mia Michael Foord & Floyd Ray Gove & Jana Allison Fox & Gemma Kerryn Adamson & Sally Annette Laing & Nikki Lachlan Doyle & Mitchel Allison Ryan & Ebony

GOOD LUCK IN CLASS TWO!

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Trent Leen
Max & Susie Peart
Jenny Smith
The Fragiotta Family
The Sowerby Family

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Anne-Maree Causon Stephanie Watson Paul Gibson/Laura Maloney The Petrovski Family Heather & Fred Eilkemeyer Noelene Ford Lisa Buso/Joe Todaro Sue Stuart

THE COMMITTEE, INSTRUCTORS AND MEMBERS EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO ALL THE ABOVE PEOPLE AND WISH YOU ALL THE VERY BEST WITH YOUR TRAINING.

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# CHRISTMAS







TIME: 7:00 pm PLACE: "CLUBROOMS" DATE: 14th December Cost: \$20:00 per head



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Welcome





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# THE GREAT SERUM RACE OF 1925

The article on Siberian Huskies in the July 1991 Newsletter makes mention of the important part these and other arctic sledge-dogs played in 1925 in saving Nome, and indeed the whole of Alaska, from possible disaster due to a diptheria epidemic. It may be of interest to recall some aspects of this trip, and the dogs which made it possible, when relays of Alaska's best dog-team drivers carried a precious 20 pound package of antitoxin serum over 665 miles through blizzards and in sub-zero temperatures. Driving night and day, they covered the distance in five-and-a-half days when it had never previously been travelled in less than nine.

The story began in January, 1925 when a diphtheria epidemic broke out in Nome, a small town on the west coast of Alaska near the Bering Strait. Within a short time five people were dead and nearly 30 were ill with the disease. The major concern was that diphtheria would spread like wildfire in the vast territory as both the local native tribes and Eskimos had no natural immunity to it. The only serum in the town was several months old and probably useless, but to make matters worse, Nome was completely isolated from the outside world. The sea was frozen and snow storms and blizzards were so bad that all planes were grounded. The nearest serum was at Anchorage, some 800 miles away, and although it could be transported by train to the railhead at Nenana, this still left over 660 miles of dangerous country to be travelled the only way possible - by dog-sledge.

Dogs had been used to pull sledges for hundreds, perhaps thousands of years, and two popular breeds of today, the Alaskan Malamute and the Siberian Husky, trace their ancestry back to sledge dogs used by native tribes in western Alaska and north-east Siberia respectively. When white prospectors and traders entered these areas, they soon adopted the native mode of transport although they often used inferior husky-type and mixed-breed dogs. Competition soon developed between rival dog-team owners and in 1908, the first of the All-Alaska Sweepstakes sledge races was held. In subsequent years, the lure of racing proved so popular that many drivers experimented with inter-breeding to try to obtain superior Dog teams in these days were often interesting mixes - Malamutes, Siberian Husky, Samoyed and Eskimo dog with all sorts of in-betweens, but it was the relatively pure Siberian Husky which was eventually to prove superior to the mixed breeds.

Conducted by the Nome Kennel Club, the All-Alaska Sweepstakes races were arduous affairs. The driver and his team of anything from 6 or 7 to as many as 20 dogs had to complete a dangerous and treacherous return trip from Nome to Candle, a distance of 408 miles. The best time was a little over 74 hours 14 minutes. However, so difficult was the course that few drivers completed it. Winning drivers and their teams became famous all over Alaska – some such as the Norwegian Leonhard Seppala who won three years straight 1915 – 1917, became a household word and his wins cemented the superiority of the pure breed Siberian Husky for this type of race.

It was these celebrated dog-team drivers (or "mushers") who volunteered to get the desperately needed serum from Nenana to Nome. Altogether, there were about 10 drivers who each covered on average stretches of 30 to 50 miles in appalling The temperature was between 20 and 50°F below zero with blizzards up to 80 miles per hour. One driver was later to describe part of his trip thus - "The wind was blowing snow so hard that I could hardly see my hand in front of I couldn't even see the wheel dog (the dog nearest the front of the It was Balto (my lead dog) who brought us through". Though every driver was a hero, two in particular are remembered for their incredible endurance, Leonhard Seppala and Gunnar Kasson. Seppala ran a team of 20 Siberian Huskies with two lead dogs, Togo and Scotty. He and his team had some of the worst country to cross, covered deep in soft, freshly fallen snow. Later, he was



# THE GREAT SERUM RACE OF 1925 (Cont..d)

faced with the decision of whether to save valuable time by cutting across Norton Bay or taking the long way round the coast. Officials had warned him that due to the storm, the ice on the bay was breaking up but Seppala apparently preferred speed to safety and crossed the bay. By the time he reached the next driver, Charlie Olsen, conditions had deteriorated further and Olsen was barely able to cover 25 miles before his short-haired huskies began to freeze He handed over to Kasson who had been waiting on the trail for in the legs. two days with his team of 13 long-haired malamutes under the lead dog Balto, claimed to be the best dog in Alaska. These dogs were in fact half wolf and had great stamina. The temperature dropped still further and with the wind gusting to 80 miles per hour, Kasson was soon completely unable to see where he was - he was totally reliant on Balto. He said later - "I didn't know where I I couldn't even quess. He (Balto) sniffed the trail through the snow and kept going straight on the glary ice of the frozen lagoons. I didn't even (Solomon was a small village some 30 know when I passed right by Solomon". miles from Nome where a message awaited Kasson telling him to stop until the storm was over and not to travel further under such conditions.) Kasson never received the message and pushed on to Nome, arriving at 5.30 in the morning, half-blinded and near exhaustion, having travelled through the night 64 miles in seven-and-a-half hours under the most incredibly difficult conditions. Nome was saved and it wasn't until several days later that further serum arrived by plane.

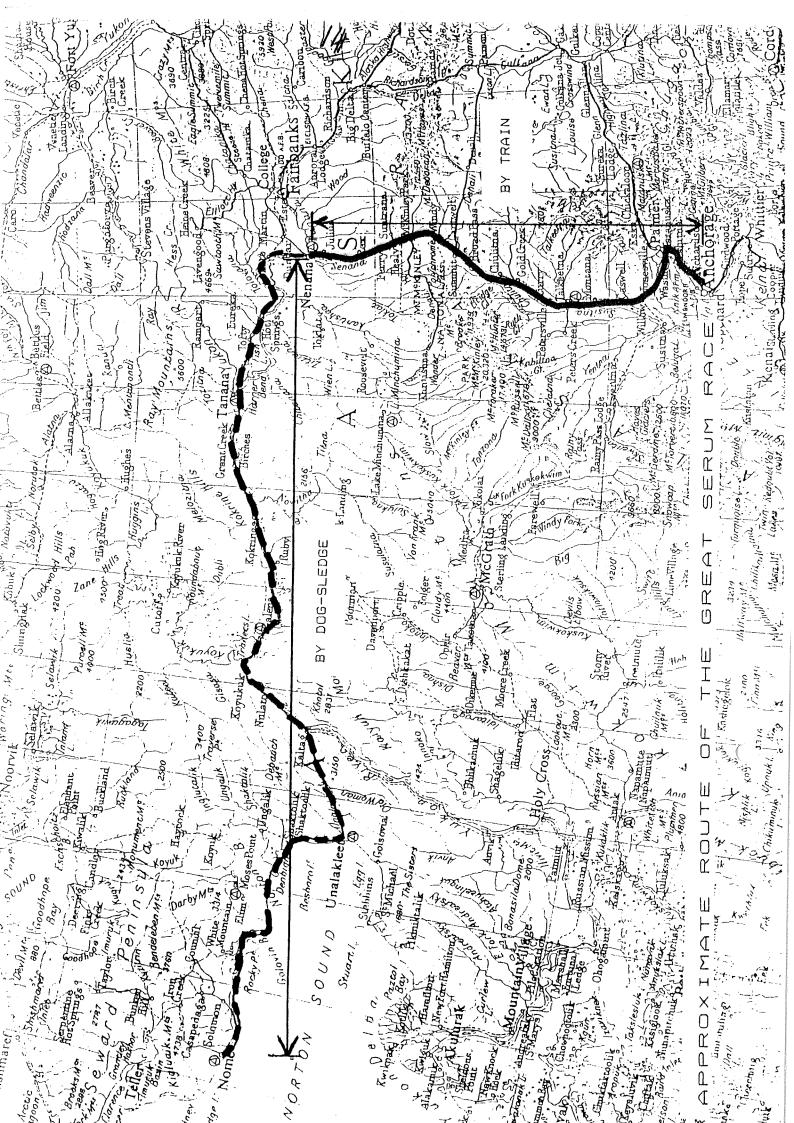
The mercy dash had several interesting sequels. Balto, Kasson's lead dog, was treated as a hero and was featured in an editorial in the New York Herald Tribune - "What Balto did for the folk of Nome, nosing his way across clear ice when the most skilled human mind and instincts had failed, is a warm and moving fact in a world full of warm, moving creatures, sights and sounds--." He was written up in other magazine stories and his picture appeared on postcards and in books. Today, he is still remembered by a life-sized statue in New York City's Central Park.

For Seppala, the race was a turning point. He was invited to the United States on a personal appearance tour and brought a team of Siberian Huskies with him. They competed in sledge dog races in New England and proved superior to most other teams, creating much interest among local drivers. Seppala and Olaf Swanson were largely responsible for breeding the pure breed of Siberian Husky we see today. In fact, many of the American dogs can trace their ancestry back to a bitch named Toto, daughter of Togo, one of Seppala's lead dogs in that historic serum race of 1925.

Written by Tony and Fiona Cavanagh. (Please note map on following page.)

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### ELSA DAHL AWARD



## FUN DAY RESULTS

CLASS 1:	Lisa Blackwell Lee-Ann O'Brien Julie Humphrey	- Jarrah	CLASS 2:	Paul Williamson Sharon Holt Maree Konieczka	- Abby - Tara - Nikita
CLASS 3:	Cathy Maloney Debbie Myers Yvette Brown	<ul><li>Mikey</li><li>Tootsie</li><li>Toff</li></ul>	CLASS 4A:	Lynn Connors- Southall Doreen Brooks Norm Cobb	- Meg - Shep - Brewster Boy
CLASS 4B:		- Bobbie	CLASS 5:	Angela Bloomer Jenny Travers Jim/Catherine Gulli	- Lacey - Jess - Tess
CLASS 6:		- Sally - Eric time of	CLASS 7:	Lynn Newton Roma Roscoe Stephen Mase	- Crystal - Topsy - Nick
CLASS 8A:	Gerry Dyst Carol Hirst Trish Gavaghan	- Boz - Jack - Holly	CLASS 8B:	Boris Graljuk Alan Anstis Barry Hirst	- Tara - Rocky - Sally
CLASS 9:	Fran Campbell John Vandenberg Pauline Naudi	- Ernie - Kessa - Brandy	CLASS 10:	Margaret Getsom Cheryl Young Elaine Longshaw	— Emma — Dandy — Saadi
CLASS 12:	Jenny Bradbury Lynn Gray Carlene McClure	- Marta - Shannar - Dell	<u>CLASS 13</u> : a	Len Richards Mitzi Clarke Lesley Gaylard	- Kelly - Asta - Tammy
CLASS 14:	Melinda Cowman John Vandenberg Cheryl Young	- Toby - Klaus - Dandy	CLASS 15:	Stephen Mase Fran Campbell Fiona Glencross	- Nick - Ernie - Ukon
CLASS 16:	Maureen Friars Lisa Blackwell	- Baron - Emma			
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# DISPLAY TEAM

On Friday, November 15 four members and three dogs from the Display Team went to visit a Church Youth Group for an informal visit. We put on a display of basic obedience and then demonstrated to the audience how to sit and stand a dog and also how to approach a dog they want to meet. After the display the children asked quite a lot of questions and I also noticed several passers-by showing a bit of interest also.

We were given a lovely supper and later thanked by the young members — it was a very pleasant evening.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a BIG THANK YOU to Betty Lawrence who so generously made and donated two mascots for the Display team. We now have a boy dog and a girl dog decked out in gear to match their bigger counterparts! A great job Betty and much appreciated.

DESMA DICKESON DISPLAY TEAM LEADER

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## GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG

The German Shepherd dog, has, since it's inception provided many services for its owner. Sheep herder, Guide dog, protector, tracker and faithful companion.

The German Shepherd has over the years received both good and bad publicity; so most people are familiar with its characteristics.

What they may not know is how far the German Shepherd dog has come over the past decade through the determination of the German Shepherd Council of Australia and the breeders acceptance of guidelines laid down by those more experienced.

The schemes introduced like H.D. x-raying; tattooing and breed surveying are all aimed at providing the best possible representatives of the breed and to offer the breeders guidance in the uniform development of the breed.

# H.D. X-raying:

These x-rays are usually taken under a general anaesthetic when the animal is 12 months old. An ear tattoo is necessary for identification. The plates are sent to Werribee Clinic for assessment. Animals fall in to one of five categories: "A" normal; near normal; acceptable; borderline and those that fail.

Those receiving the "A" stamp are deemed suitable for breeding purposes.

Hip dysplacia can not be eradicated, but with participation in this scheme the incidents of severe H.D. are much reduced.

## Tattoing:

This is basicly, self explanatory. All puppies are tattooed at 7-8 weeks of age with the breeders three letter prefix and three numbers. This gives the animal identification for life and is used in all our schemes.

## Breed Survey:

At 18 months of age the animal is presented to a panel of specialist Judges and qualified Breed Surveyors for assessment as to their breed worthiness.

The animal is put through situations it may encounter in everyday life and the reactions are closely monitored.

German Shepherds considered 'well above average' are given a Class I classification and those still 'above average' receive a Class II. Breed survey is the ultimate in breed participation.

The detailed information collected on the virtues and faults of the dogs; when collated; furthers the knowledge and understandy of the breed; data from which we all benefit.

All club members are encouraged to breed only from surveyed stock.

Gail Edmonds, Publicity Officer, G.S.D.C. of Victoria.

(Like the author said at the end of her letter, this is not exactly what we asked for!!!)

# LATE TRIAL RESULTS

NORTHERN

WERRIBEE

Paul Metcalf

Ormslee Swartz Quinta (Hannah)

Rottweiler

Paul Metcalf

Ormslee Swartz Quinta (Hannah)

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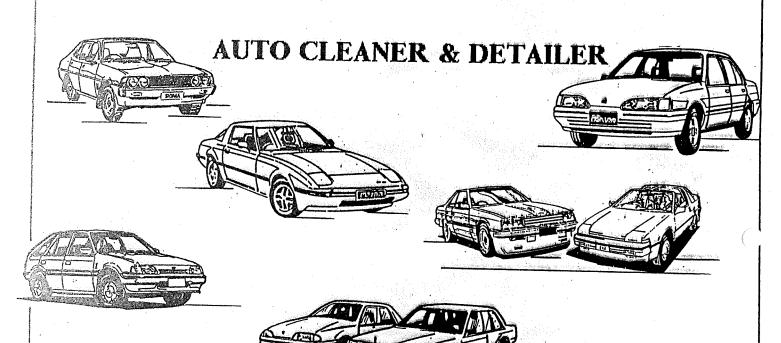
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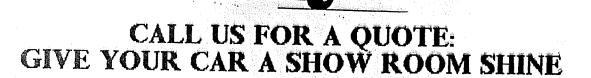
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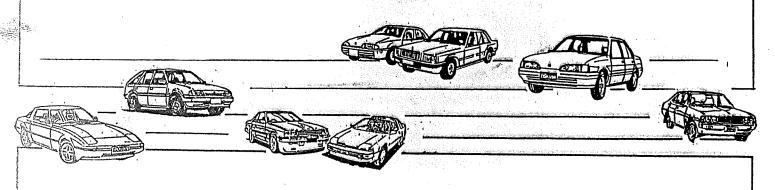
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# THE WELSH CORGI

Welsh Corgis come in two distinctly different varieties -

The Pembroke, the type kept by the Queen; The Cardigan, the type with the long fox-like tail. Both breeds make ideal pets and companions for today.

The Pembroke Corgi originated from the small, hardy, natural bob-tailed cattle dogs of the Pembrokeshire area in Wales. Their heritage endows them with all those valuable instincts of a working dog, a friend and helper of man possessing an independant spirit that originally enabled them to control the small Welsh cattle without undue direction from their masters. The Pembroke is alert, active, intelligent, trustworthy, and as their official breed description describes, gives an impression of substance and stamina in a small space—all attributes that made them the faithful custodians not only of the cattle but also of their owners home and possessions.

Chosen as a pet by the British Royal family in 1935, the Pembruke Welsh Corgi is now one of the best known breeds particularly in Commonwealth countries, being highly successful in both show and obedience rings world wide, and extremely popular as a family pet.

The modern Pembroke corgi is certainly still a robust dog, by nature cheerful and affectionate. Their distinctive head is foxy in shape and apperance, with pricked ears and alert and intelligent expression. An ideal weight of 22-26 lbs (10-12 kg) and a height of 10-12 inches (25.4-30.5 cm) makes them small enough to fit comfortably in the family car and live happily in the average suburban back yard. Their short coat requires only a quick brush to keep clean and shiny plus an occasional comb to keep the undercoat and skin in good condition. The Pembroke comes in a wide range of colours including the eye catching tri-colour combination of black, tan and white. Traditional coat colours which vary through all shades of red, fawn, sable and black with tan, usually have smart white markings on feet, chest and foreface.

The Cardigan Welsh Corgi - the corgi with the tail - is one of the oldest Welsh dog breeds and is generally acknowledged as being the ORIGINAL corgi or small "DWARF" dog of Wales. Since very ancient times they were used as a sheep and cattle herder, guard dog, general purpose farm dog and friend and companion in the lonely Crofters huts of the remote Welsh hillside country of Caridganshire.

No official pedigree records exist of these original Cardigan Corgis and it was not until about 1930 that separate show registers for both Cardigan and Pembroke types were recognised by the English Kennel Club. Despite some interbreeding with their Pembroke cousins at that time, the Cardigan corgis with their ancient lineage, have dominantly retained their individual characteristics and tractable nature, signified always by an expressive waving tail.

The Cardigan Corgi today, although nerver experiencing the impetus of Royal patronage, continues to maintain its popularity, particularly as an Obedience Standing about 12" (30cm) high at the shoulder, with head dog and family pet. foxy in shape and appearance, they have pricked ears that are characteristically, larger and more rounded than those of their Pembroke cousins. Usually a heavier dog than the Pembroke, they are slightly longer in back with a lovely tail that stretches out behind like a fox's brush. This long tail acts as a counterbalance when twisting, turning, climbing or jumping. With front feet that turn slightly outwards for balance, Cardigan corgis are very agile and extremely strong for their size. They have exceptionally sensitive hearing and Very adaptable, Caridgans are equally at home on a make excellent watchdogs. large property or in a smaller suburban backyard. A long-lived breed(14-16 years is quite common) they come in an even more extensive variety of colours than the Pembroke. The short to medium length coat of the Cardigan can vary through all shades of red (from light tan to mahogany and sable), tricolour with its black, tan and white, plus in addition the exclusive Cardigan colours of Brindle, black and white, and blue merle.

(This introduction comes from THE WELSH CORGI CLUB OF VICTORIA.)



# TRIAL RESULTS

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB

Jo-Anne Hamilton

Pitoulish Lady Bella CD (Bella)

Preliminary Track

Cocker Spaniel

SOUTHERN OBEDIENCE DOG

TRAINING CLUB

Pitoulish Lady Bella CD (Bella)

TRACK 1 - very good

Cocker Spaniel

WERRIBEE

Margaret Getsom

Lubrabend Winters Eve (Emma)

Shetland Sheepdog

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Sally Smelter

Limbunya Sgt Pepper (Pepper) Shetland Sheepdog

ENCOURAGEMENT 2nd Place

and

HIGHEST SCORING REGISTERED ENCOURAGEMENT TROPHY, GEELONG MEMBER

Carol Watts

Bronco Ivec

Angela Bloomer

Mistydawn Latin Lover (Rebel)

) <u>ENCOURAGEMENT</u> 3rd Place

Maltese Terrier

Leberfell Montana (Lacey)

ENCOURAGEMENT

German Shorthaired Pointer

3rd Place

Jessica Caramia

ENCOURAGEMENT ASSOC.

1st Place

and

HIGHEST SCORING ASSOCIATE ENCOURAGEMENT TROPHY, GEELONG MEMBER

Lyn Mann

Kylie Day

Palanquin Plum Pie (Mister)

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3rd Place

Castleriver Ceasar (Ceasar)

NOVICE

German Shepherd Dog

1ST PASS

and

HIGHEST SCORING REGISTERED QUALIFYING NOVICE TROPHY, GEELONG MEMBER

Fiona Glencross

Adbroke Cammarra Ukon CD (Ukon)

OPEN

German Shepherd Dog Sheba Drayton (Sheba)

3rd Place

NOVICE ASSOC. 2nd Place

2ND PASS

and

HIGHEST SCORING ASSOCIATE QUALIFYING NOVICE TROPHY, GEELONG MEMBER



Don Drayton

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