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GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC. NEWSLETTER NO. 48

Once again we extend a warm welcome to all new members and may your time spent with us be fulfilling in not only what you achieve togeth-'er with your dog, but in the new friendships forged through a common interest.

This Newsletter is produced bi-monthly and distributed on the LAST training session of that month, so remember that and there will be no need to miss out on receiving your copy. If you are unable to attend on that date please see the Secretary and she will retain a copy for you to collect.

Many of the newer members may not realize but our proximity to the river makes our grounds and sometimes the clubhouse prone to flooding. When this is imminent a team of devoted members come down and LIFT UP and HOOK all our chattels to the ceilings, and then have to go through the process of relocating them and clearing up after the waters have subsided. Spare a thought for their work and perhaps next time, if you live nearby, you might offer them your assistance.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER (is our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING commencing at 8 pm. If you want to have a say in who runs your club now is the time to come along and register your vote. Lists of members eligible to vote in this election have been posted in the clubrooms. Even if you are not eligible, come along and meet your new committee. This meeting will be followed by a General Meeting, so learn how your club makes the decisions that benefit you as a member. There will be NO guest speaker at either of these meetings. (Those of you who missed out on last meeting's speaker, did yourselves a disservice as it was a most interesting discussion on "Dental Care" by Dr. Brown.)

To the outgoing committee, thank you for your dedication over the past year, and to any individuals not standing for re-election, thank you for your past contributions.

OTHER DATES OF INTEREST:

OCTOBER 18 - PROMOTION DAY AND "FUN DAY". There will be a Class for everyone and their dog, plus you have the chance of taking home a ribbon which is an added bonus. The entry fee is \$2.00 and all proceeds go to the GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND. Written entries will be taken the preceding week and your instructor will advise you as to what class you are eligible to compete in. Novelty events are run after the luncheon break for the stayers.

NOVEMBER 1 is the start of Daylight Savings and, therefore, will be the last SUNDAY morning training for the year. All classes will be at normal times. That same week, WEDNESDAY evening training will resume, i.e. NOVEMBER 4 at 7 pm for ALL Classes. Please remember what class you are in and the name of YOUR instructor. Not only will it be very congested, but it is also NEW member intake evening and the office and training supervisor will have more than enough to concentrate on without having to contest with lost souls all because YOU couldn't remember ONE name. To train your dog you have to learn several commands, so start off on the right foot and get this ONE name RIGHT.



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Everyone can participate by giving an hour of their time either at the preceding working bees (starting times for these will be announced at general announcements following normal training); or maybe you could serve in the canteen on the day; become a steward; donate cakes, biscuits, jams, home grown vegies or handmade goodies for our stall (all profits from this stall go directly back to the Club); help with setting up and dismantling the rings. In other words, no special talents are required just a pair of active hands - and as they say "MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK".

For those interested in stewarding see DAVID BLACKWELL; and the other respective managers of the Canteen, Ground Maintenance, Hall etc. and you will be put on a roster according to the time you have available.

Have a think about YOUR contribution and it will certainly lighten the committee work load.

To the competitors, good luck, and may the success rate be as high as it was last Geelong trial. In the meantime keep practising.

Members please note, the schedule for this Trial may not be included in the next Gazette, so remember entries are \$7.00 and the closing date is October 25.

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CLUB CALENDAR

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3.10.92	Wine, Cheese & Beer Tasting
6.10.92	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
9.10.92	Film Night (Geelong Animal Welfare
	Society)
26.10.92	Instructors' Meeting
31.10.92	Working Bee
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1.11.92	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS COMMENCES
	LAST SUNDAY TRAINING
3.11.92	Committee Meeting
4.11.92	WEDNESDAY Evening Training Resumes
7.11.92	Working Bee
8.11.92	OPEN & ASSOCIATE GEELONG TRIAL
	(No training)
23.11.92	Instructors' Meeting
1.12.92	General Meeting
5.12.92	CHRISTMAS DINNER-DANCE
16.12.92	LAST TRAINING NIGHT FOR YEAR,
	PRESENTATION NIGHT, BREAK-UP NIGHT.
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REMEMBER: PROMOTION DAY & "FUN DAY", OCTOBER 18.

GENERAL MEETINGS COMMENCE AT 8PM, UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED. MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING A PLATE (MALES NOT EXEMPTED).

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Committee and I would like to welcome all new members to our Club and hope you have an enjoyable time training your canine companion. Always remember what your instructor shows and tells you and you will find with a little practice between lessons how easy it is to train your dog.

Since the last Newsletter the Club has been having discussions with other Obedience Clubs in Victoria and hopefully the results from these talks can only improve and enhance the standard of our sport and our involvement with the Victorian Canine Association.

As most of you are aware our last promotions day was held on Sunday, August 16. To those who PASSED, congratulations. To all others maybe with a little more effort in your training you will be successful next time.

The Spring Walk and BBQ held on Sunday, August 30 was a great success despite the weather, thankfully, it improved as the day progressed. Thanks go to the people who organised same and helped on the day.

To the members who have been trialling and who have obtained passes, congratulations. To all others, keep trying and good luck in your next trial.

The V.C.A. Obedience Advisory results after the elections are as follows:- Mrs Ute May, Mr Keith Ralph, Mr Frank Tipping and Mr Ray Ashman were the four people elected and we congratulate them. With new blood on the Advisory, hopefully, this can only improve the obedience scene.

To all instructors, committee and display team members, once again thank you for your time and effort in the running and promotion of our club.

BARRY ELLIOTT PRESIDENT

APOLOGY

In our last Newsletter we ran an article WHAT BREEDS ARE TRAIN-ING AT OUR CLUB. We omitted a quiet little dog from that list, YES, we do in fact have 12 Shelties. Our apologies to those owners and trainers.

AND

In our trial results, we said that THOMAS HARVEY received his first pass at Geelong; it was in fact his second pass.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS.....

The Gates Family Michelle Giles Andrew & Amanda Murray Steve Chapman The Taylor Family Dean & Victoria Hadfield Linda Breguet Margaret Liddy John & Barbara Hay Maree White Janine Epps Trevor & Yvonne McHugh Shane Skurrie/Kathy Riseley Thera & Sharon Van Kampen Jean Crossland/Janet Stanway The Quamil Family Belinda & Andrew Nuske Birol Nurdag Neville & Patricia Brice Kristen Bell Mark & Tammy Lomax The McBain Family The Francis Family The Mahoney Family Duane & Gloria Nelis Vicki Thomson The Foley Family Wayne & tina Bowker Karen Milburn Damian & Larrissa Tom Kevin Gearon

The Whelan Family Carl & Anne Tracey Elaine Sexton Karen & Gavin Divola John & Lyn Finley Sophia Alsop/John Fitzgerald The Combe Family Jenni Keepen Rob Lochrie/Mauree McKim Jean Blacksell Christina & John Sheilds Donna & Adrian McIver Dorothy Williams Trisha & Paul McNamara Melinda Bradford-Bell Kerry Szmagaj Nicole Freame/Rodney Bowd David & Robyn Payne Susan Fowler William & Peter Henderson The Patterson Family Susan & Greg Funston Barbara & Christine Farrall Roslyn Davis Haydn Marks Rodica Posogeanu Nicole Carvill/Tim Lord Peter & Robyn Neilson The Ferguson Family Moricia Vrymout

John McKay Tiffany Boer The Vickery Family Kim Deglaitis Craig Martin Rudolf Borosh The Lee Family The Mooreland Family Craig & Kirstin Gibson Wanda Kidman Gregory & Carol Smith Jill Deglaitas Paul Roadley Kerri Iacono Mandy Squires The Werzak Family Margaret & Bill Tayler Yvette Brown David Woolhouse Jason Michalik Trudy & Ian Towes Maxine Huybens Barry Vesper Paul & Laura Gibson Tania Orlov The Adamson Family The Lindsay Family The Glenny Family Emma Hollard Lindy Medlyn

BEGINNERS' OBEDIENCE CERTIFICATE

Suzanne Osman & Tyson Mary Quelch & Minnie Darren Knight/Samantha Penny & Jude $_{\perp}$ Sally Gray & Ruby Jason Wright & Mac Michael Potter & Gemma Pam Potter & Harley Norm Gates & Napoleon Kathy Sproat & Harris

CONGRATULATIONS! These people now train in CLASS 2.

BASIC OBEDIENCE CERTIFICATE

Cheryl Poole & Missi Ken Mansfield & Ebony Lee-Ann O'Brien & Jarrah Barbara Shell & Bella

CONGRATULATIONS! These members and dogs now train in CLASS 3.

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In the last Newsletter we omitted the name of BILL PATE from our BASIC OBEDIENCE CERTIFICATE Notice. Credit should go where credit is due!

VETERANS' SUCCESS IN CAPT. PAYNE TRIAL IN VICTORIA

KYNEION WILLIE:

In 1931 Captain Payne donated a 50 guinea trophy, with a proviso that it must be won three times in succession by the same worker, or five times in all, before it became his property.

For 50 years, the trophy attracted top sheepdog handlers, but till 1981 the coveted trophy eluded them. Eight noted handlers had won it three times; three others had won it three times, but not in succession. None satisfied the conditions.

Jim Nevett was a farmer at Undera in the Goulburn valley. Although he was always addicted to horses and dogs, he did not take up trial training till late in life. In 1956, he sold his farm and was able to concentrate on training sheep dogs.

Jim won his first trial that year with a bitch called **Quinton Poppy**, and went on to win 123 trials and countless placings. His successes include eighth in World Championship and four times winner of Capt. Payne Trophy.

In 1956 on a visit to Kyneton Kennels at Mooroopna he selected a tri-colour male pup by his old favourite **Austranaught Glen.** Little did he know that the tiny bundle of fluff was destined to become one of the most colorful legends of all time.

The pup was registered **Kyneton Willie**, and won his first trial at Holbrook, New South Wales at two years of age, but, unfortunately, was attacked by another dog. The result was disastrous. He emerged from the encounter minus the sight of his right eye.

With half his eyesight gone, **Kyneton Willy** worked with a terrific disadvantage and frequently had to turn his head sideways to keep sight of fast moving sheep. Nevitt worked his one-eyed dog with clever anticipation, always endeavouring to keep the sheep away from his dog's blind side.

In spite of his disability, Willie was successful on 22 prestigous occasions competing against Australia's foremost sheep dogs.

Nevitt was the only competitor to win the Captain Payne Trophy four times, but at 80 years of age, and working a 10 year old dog, his chances of winning the coveted trophy outright looked formidable indeed.

A hush.

However, after a polished display, the two veterans hoisted 90 points on the board in the first round.

So near and yet so far - a hush came over the crowd. There was complete silence. Suddenly the handler was having trouble as the wild young wethers bolted at first sight of the adversary.

A trial is often won or lost at the lift, and it was Nevitt's intention to walk the sheep quietly to the first obstacle.

As the sheep rushed forward, the worker had to bring his dog up with them lest they got too far away. Also, as the sheep had already passed the first obstacle, they had to be driven back and through it from the correct side and time was ticking away.

Nevitt realized he was losing points, but the 400km run had sapped some of the old dog's energy, and he was settling down and standing off his sheep.

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VETERANS' SUCCESS IN CAPT. PAYNE TRIAL IN VICTORIA /2

Willie was the master. Slowly and surely he edged them through all obstacles to the pen.

The atmosphere was intense.

At the edge of the gate the leader, a defiant young wether, cast a baleful glance towards the open pastures, but as he turned his head, his path was blocked by the shrewd old collie. Then with a defiant stamp of his foot, the wether bounded through the open gate into sanctuary. The others followed simultaneously, and a suntanned arm reached forward quickly and latched the gate.

Cheers.

Meanwhile, the old mentor was adding up the points. He thought he was slightly ahead, but there were agonising moments awaiting the decision.

Suddenly the points scores echoed over the amplifier - Kyneton Willie 179½ points, Moreland Belle 175 points. An excited crowd lustily cheered their local hero as they gathered to congratulate the winner.

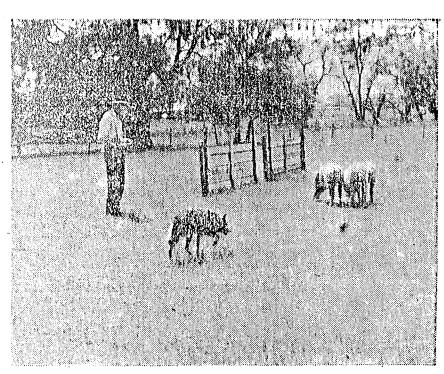
The old collie, oblivious to the excitement he had caused, stood in silence almost glued to his master's heels. Then the old master bent over and with a hand hardened and wrinkled by years of toil affectionately stroked the sagacious greying and toothless head of his old canine mate "You're a good dog Willie", and as if returning the appreciation, the old dog nuzzled close and licked his hand.

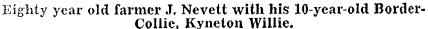
There was hardly a dry eye in the arena.

Then as quietly and modestly as they had come, the two veterans walked slowly from the scene where a few moments before they had re-written the record books.

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" OUR SAL G.D. "

Kelpie/Fox Terrier X 2½year old - Owned by Tom & Elaine Harvey Sally obtained her title at Sunbury O.D.C. on 5.9.92

QUALIFYING SCORES:

Broadmeadows Obedience Dog Club - 28. 6.92

Score: 184 points, Second Place

Geelong Obedience Dog Club - 19. 7.92

Score: 182 points, Fourth Place

Sunbury Obedience Dog Club - 5. 9.92

Score: 170 points, Fourth Place

SALLY was adopted from the Geelong Animal Welfare Centre on the 22.7.90 then approximately seven months old. She had been found wandering in the streets by the Ranger and taken to the Centre. Her poor condition and fear of people was evidence of neglect and we pondered over whether we would give this little girl a chance. After some months when Sally was in good health and accepting us we knew we had a great little companion who desperately needed re education with people and other dogs. So began her introduction to Geelong Obedience Dog Club, her first meeting with David Blackwell on 3.3.91. Sally today is the result of much hard work - friendship of some very special people. Many thanks to Helen Read, Val Moeller, David Blackwell, Kath Davies, Fred Lehrmann and all our friends.





QUALIFYING PASSES:

Southern Obedience Dog Club - Very Good

Victorian Gundog Club - Excellent

Title gained: August 30, 1992

Well the hard work and help of Helen Read and Jenny Bradbury has paid off.

Thanks to their enthusiasm and faith in BELLA she has found her forte in life.

Owned and "handled" by Jo-Anne Hamilton Bella is a Cocker Spaniel

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CARE OF YOUR PUPPY

The arrival of a new puppy in a household has been likened to that of a new baby ... and in many ways this is true. This young life is dependent on you for love, food, protection and health care. Nobody should take on a new dog unless prepared to provide these things - and it's not just for the first few months of the pup's life. Getting a new pup is a 10-18 year committment. Provide your dog with these things and you will be rewarded with a loyal, loving and healthy companion.

1. FEEDING

Feeding a new puppy can be as complicated or as easy as you choose it to be. In general, a puppy's diet should:

- 1) provide the nutrition for a puppy's special requirements i.e. rapid growth and limited stomach capacity
- 2) be palatable and digestible
- 3) be convenient and inexpensive

Commercial puppy food ie Eukanuba Puppy, PAL Puppy food and PAL puppy chow are ideal as they provide everything your puppy needs and they're convenient.

Some people however, prefer to feed home-made food. Care must be tak-en when doing this that a balanced diet is fed:

ie. 50% meat (supplemented with calcium) and eggs 25% vegetables, fruit . 25% carbohydrate

One of the most common puppy health complaints is diarrohea caused by sudden changes in diet. Any new component in a pups' diet should be introduced gradually. Milk is another common cause of diarrohea due to lactose intolerance. In these cases, a low lactose milk should be given or milk should be avoided altogether.

There is no hard and fast rule on the amount of food to give because each individual is different. General guidelines are provided on the packaging of commercial food. On the whole it's a matter of watching your pup's weight, feeling his general body condition and adjusting his diet accordingly.

Recommended feeding regime

6-12 weeks : Feed puppy ration 3-4 times daily 3-9 months : Feed puppy ration twice daily 9-12 months : Feed puppy ration once daily 12 months onwards : Normal adult food fed once daily

2. HOUSING

Puppies just taken from their mother have to adjust to a new home, new people, new bed, new animals and contend with the loss of their littermates and mother. This can cause stress to a puppy making him susceptible; to illness.

To help your puppy make the transition to his new home be sure to provide him with a warm, clean, comfortable bed and shelter.

CARE OF YOUR PUPPY/2

3. VACCINATION

Puppies need to be vaccinated against the following potentially fatal diseases:-

Canine Parvovirus: a severe, often fatal, viral disease that causes sudden depression, fever, vomiting and diarrohea.

Infectious Canine Hepatitis: a virus which damages the liver and causes a range of signs including depression, abdominal pain, cloudy eyes and death. Dogs that recover can continue to shed the virus for months.

Canine Distemper: another fatal viral disease with a range of symptoms including fever, 'cold-like' symptoms, conjunctivitis, convulsions, and muscle twitching.

Canine Parainfluenza: This virus is part of the Kennel Cough complex, a disease characterised by a harsh, hacking, continual cough that is highly infectious between dogs. While this vaccine doesn't provide 100% protection it certainly decreases the risk of contracting the disease and minimises the severity of the signs should they occur.

We recommend the following vaccination program for puppies:

6 - 8 weeks : Protech C4 12 - 14 weeks : Protech C4

If the first vaccine given is not the Protech C4, a Parainfluenza vaccine is required at 16 weeks of age.

4. WORMING

- * ROUNDWORMS occur in almost all puppies. These 'spaghetti-like' worms live in the small intestine and interfere with digestion. In severe cases they can cause complete blockage of the intestine.
- * TAPEWORMS usually don't appear until 4-5 months of age and are often seen as small white segments around the bottom or in the motions. Tapeworms can be carried by fleas.
- * HOOKWORMS & WHIPWORMS occur less commonly but can cause serious disease.

Recommended worming program:

2,4,6,8,10 & 12 weeks : Canex or Drontal 3,4,5 & 6 months : Canex or Drontal then Drontal given every 3-4 months

HEARTWORM:

In endemic areas, heartworm prevention, ie Dimmitrol or Heartguard should be started at three months of age. Geelong at this stage doesn't have a heartworm problem.

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CARE OF YOUR PUPPY/3

5. DENTAL CARE

Puppies get their first set of teeth in the first few weeks of life. Adult teeth come through around 4-7 months of age. During this time puppies like to chew and it's not uncommon for some bleeding to occur when a tooth falls out.

Puppyhood is the best time to train a puppy to look after his teeth. This is done by encouraging him to chew raw, fresh bones so that this becomes part of life for him. There are also teeth cleaning products available to help keep your dog's teeth healthy throughout life.

6. TRAINING AND EXERCISE

* Socialisation:

It's vital to socialise young puppies with other dogs and people to help prevent some of the common behavioural problems seen in adulthood. Socialisation can begin after the temporary vaccination by mixing your puppy with friends and family and their dogs who you know are healthy and vaccinated. You'll still need to avoid public places ie. beach, park, until the vaccination program is complete.

We run regular Puppy Preschool sessions which allow early socialisation of puppies.

*Obedience Training:

Training can start at home as soon as you get the puppy. The way you treat your puppy in his early days will have an enormous influence on the type of pet he'll become. Don't leave all the work to a one hour weekly class at Obedience School. Training puppies takes times, committment and patience, keeping in mind that lessons need only be short and can be incorporated with play. Puppies only have a short attention span anyway - but they're eager to please and love to learn.

We recommend David Weston's book "Dog Training: the gentle method" which retails for around \$20.

*Toilet Training:

Concentrate on this for a few weeks around 10--14 weeks of age and most puppies soon get the idea. It's a matter of taking your puppy to the right spot in your garden after he eats, drinks, sleeps or plays and WAIT until he goes to the toilet. Then praise him profusely. If you catch him in the act in the wrong spot then a loud 'NO' will usually get the message across, but only if you act at the time the deed is done. 10 seconds later and the pup won't connect what the scolding is for. Never rub the pup's nose in the accident.

* Entertainment:

Pups have no trouble finding things to play with - often it's your best shoe or your favourite pot plant. The general idea here is to give your pup a few of his own toys which are easily identifiable (eg. no point giving him an old shoe as it will be just the same to him as your new one). Let him play with his toys; keep other objects out of his way or scold him if caught in the wrong act with a firm 'NO'.

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CARE OF YOUR PUPPY/4

7. BATHING AND FLEA CONTROL

Bathe your pup when necessary using dog shampoo suitable for puppies; Groom puppies regularly and for fleas, use a suitable powder, spray or shampoo.

8. DESEXING

Female bitches are speyed and male dogs are castrated from 5-6 months of age.

TRAINING SUPERVISOR'S REPORT 91/92

Another year has come and gone, a successful one I believe, with many handlers passing from class to class, gaining experience and enjoyment from the training and time shared with their dogs.

I trust that all the handlers who participated in the "SPRING WALK enjoyed the walk and the change from the normal training day. We will organize another walk towards the end of the year.

On October 18 the Club will conduct a FUN DAY/PROMOTION DAY for all classes. A pass on the day for Class one's and two's will move the handlers and their dogs up to the next class. Good luck.

I would like to remind all members that it is your responsibility to LEARN your instructor's name, ask if you have to. Please read your Newsletter and come into the clubhouse for a hot or cold drink and listen to the announcements after your class has finished.

For the year past, I would like to thank my two assistants for their help, Desma Dickeson and Maureen Friars. Also to all instructors and assistant instructors thank you for your co-operation and dedication, it is very much appreciated.

COLIN HUMPHREYS
TRAINING SUPERVISOR

An ostrich with its head in the sand is just as blind to opportunity as to disaster.

A big, energetic German Shepherd was talking to a little Poodlein the next cage at the kennel. "What's your name?" asks the Poodle. The Shepherd shakes his head. "Not really sure - but I think it's Downboy!"

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One last kiss,
One Last breath,
Those eyes that spoke
That brain that thought,
Say goodbye with one last look,
Off to sleep, forever at peace.
No more pain,
Our dear friend.
Now you can only know the good times,
not the bad,
It's the hardest thing to say goodbye
but you'll live forever in our hearts.
You'll be so sadly missed
Goodnight sweet Hannah
Rest in Peace.

Best friend of Paul, Margaret, Katie, Rebekah & Bree Metcalfe





SECRETARY'S REPORT

LISA BLACKWELL

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

ALL MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE:

Due to daylight savings the last classes on a Sunday will be on NOVEMBER 1.

In lieu of Sunday classes, Wednesday night training will commence on NOVEMBER 4 at 7.00pm to 8.00pm for ALL sessions.

FUN DAY:

Our Annual Fun Day will be on Sunday, October 18. There will be special classes for those members who are ready for testing for Basic and Beginners' Obedience Certificates. NO MATTER WHAT LEVEL OF TRAINING YOU ARE AT, THERE WILL BE A CLASS FOR YOU. Entry fee is \$2.00 and the proceeds will go to the Guide Dogs for the Blind Geelong Branch. NO ENTRIES WILL BE TAKEN ON THE DAY FOR THESE CLASSES! Entries close on Sunday, October 11 to allow the Trial Secretary to organise classes, etc. The BBQ will be fired up for a BYO EVERYTHING LUNCH. After lunch, there will be novelty events for the whole family.

Best dressed dog; Handler/dog look alike; Fastest recall; Fastest Goodo eater; Dumbbell toss (for handlers only); Instructors class; child handlers 6-ll years and 12-16 years.

K9 KWIZ with Dr. Trevor Brown

- 1. What is the condition H.D. in dogs?
- Where is the dog's Cruxiate ligament?
- 3. What joint is made from the radius, ulna and humerus?
- 4. Does a dog's penis have a bone?
- 5. What does the word "arthritis" mean?
- 6. What are the carpal bones commonly called?
- 7. What do the initials O.C.D. stand for? (NOT One Cute Dog)
- 8. What is made in the bone marrow?
- 9. What is a compound fracture?
- 10. What dietary element is important for bone growth?



GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.



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THE ALASKAN MALAMUIE

The **Alaskan Malamute** is a breed of sled dog which originated in the far north of Alaska and in the Yukon territory. It was the work dog of the Mahiemut group of inuits or Eskimo people. As such it lived in the far northern latitudes, often above the Arctic Circle. The ambient temperature varied from $+5^{\circ}\text{C}$ in summer to -50°C in winter.

It's main duty was to haul the inuits and their possessions in the annual movement from the sealing grounds on the pack to the summer hunting grounds inland. In performing this duty they had to exhibit endurance, ability to withstand the climate, and the strength to pull considerable loads. All that on a diet that varied from dried fish to frozen seal meat.

If the inuits chanced upon a polar bear on the pack ice, the dogs had to have the courage to hold it at bay until the hunters killed it. They were often used to detect the breathing holes of seals when on these expeditions, so the seals could be speared.

These dogs remained unchanged for several thousand years, as evidenced by skeletal remains found.

Apart from being used by the minders in the Alaskan/Yukon gold rushes, they were not associated with Europeans until the early 1900's. They were registered with the American Kennel Club through the efforts of Eva and Milton Seeley, and the early standard was based on their Kotzebue dogs. They were generally smaller than the average Malamute of today. Males stood from 22 to 25 inches and weighed from 65 to 85 pounds.

Most of this founding line was lost during World War 2 and the Antarctic expeditions. Consequently the stud book was reopened, and other 'strains' of Malamutes admitted, including the M'Loot type. These tended to be bigger dogs with less angulation. Perhaps as a result of this, the Standard was revised in 1960 to accommodate a greater size range.

GENERAL APPEARANCE

The breed is primarily a working sledge dog of the Arctic for hauling heavy freight and therefore, should be a heavily boned and powerfully built dog, not too compact and never appearing low on the leg.

Size: Height - Dogs 64-71cm (25-28"). Bitches 58-66cm (23-26"). Weight between 38-65kg (85-125 1bs), size consideration not to outweigh type.

Colour: Ranging from light grey through the intermediate shadings to black, or from gold through the shades of red to live, always with white on the underbody, parts of legs, feet and part of mask markings.

THE DOG

Many people are attracted to Malamutes because they want a guard dog. Malamutes look ferocious because, to the uninitiated, they look like a cross-bred German Shepherd. Furthermore, several non-specialist dog books say that they make good guards. They do not. The average Malamute will not only warn of an intruder, it will welcome one with open arms, a cup of coffee and the safe combination. Having said that, I have yet to hear of a burglar prepared to risk it, and I have myself twice had break-in attempts at different houses foiled by the sudden appearance of a couple of friendly, tail-waving Malamutes. Even my neighbours, who know my dogs well, say they would not be prepared to enter the house in my absence. I have only ever come across one Malamute who gave warning of strangers about, which she did only at night. If you want a dog that is a visual deterrent then a Malamute is fine, but if you want one which will attack, look elsewhere.

THE ALASKAN MALAMUTE/2

Allied to this is the fact that **Malamutes** don't usually bark - quite an asset in a built-up area. This does not mean that they are silent, however. They howl. The single dog will only do this in rare circumstances: to join in with a police siren, an ambulance or a fire-engine.

If you live in the country, you would have to face the fact that **Malamutes** are not safe with stock, especially sheep, poultry and game. Nor are you likely to be able to train them to be. There are occasional exceptions to this general rule, and these dogs need no training, but they are few and far between. This means that if you are going to let the dog off the lead, not only must there be no stock in the paddock in which you are, but also none in any of the neighbouring fields: the dog has only to set up a rabbit and chase it, to end up in a flock of sheep.

If you live in a town you will have different problems. Malamutes have a regret-table tendency to aggression with other dogs. Unfortunately, it is likely to be something small - like a Yorkshire Terrier, or a Jack Russell - that hurls abuse at the Malamute. Most Malamutes will immediately retaliate and unless you are very careful it's a case of 'Look, no Yorkie'. So you will have to exercise your dog on a lead except when you go out at the crack of dawn. This tendency makes the breed a difficult one to keep if you have other dogs, unless they are kept as kennelled dogs.

The whole question of trainability is a vexed one. It is not always realised that intelligence and trainability are not necessarily synonymous. Malamutes are highly intelligent but not particularly trainable in general, although most litters contain a 'biddable' puppy which, in the right hands, will achieve a moderate level of success. However, the precision work needed in competitive obedience work is unlikely to be achieved with a Malamute. I gather that one sticking-point tends to be the retrieve: puppies love retrieving, but there comes a point in most right-thinking Malamutes' lives when they take the entirely rational view that, since you threw it, you can fetch it back.

I am not suggesting for one moment that it is not a good idea to take a puppy to training classes — in fact I encourage it. But do not expect to reach too dizzy a height. I have heard of some **Malamutes** being used for Agility and I have a feeling that this might be an area of activity that they might well enjoy — provided the dog could be prevented from rushing off after a dog in the crowd!

There is only one possible answer to the question 'Are **Malamutes** good with children?' and that is "Are your children good with dogs?' Children, especially young children, think that puppies play all day. They do not. They sleep. If a child keeps waking apuppy to play, sooner or later the puppy - and this applies not only to **Malamutes**, but any puppy - will snap. The child must be taught - and be made to learn - that dogs, like people, have the right to be left alone sometimes.

If you bring up your children to understand and obey the word 'no', and if your children are obedient and well-behaved, you will have no problems. If you believe that it is wrong to stop a child expressing itself; wrong to thwart it; wrong to 'repress' it; in other words, wrong to bring it up to be a civilised human being, then you should not have any kind of dog.

Malamutes are strong willed, cussed animals. To keep one successfully, you have to be stronger and more cussed.

(Condensed from an Alaskan Malamute Club, Secretary, Richard Sanzin booklet.)



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" TOPHAND CINDY C.D. "



Australian Cattle Dog - Owned & Trained by Stan Deane Bred by Ms. Pam Franks of Coimadai

Cindy obtained her title at Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc. on 19.7.92, twelve months after she obtained her first pass at the same venue.

QUALIFYING SCORES:



Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc. - 28.7.91

Score: 185 points

Bendigo Obedience Dog Club Inc. - 18.8.91

Score: 171 points

Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc. - 19.7.92

Score: 171 points

My thanks to all the Instructors, especially Helen Read for her expertise, patience and willingness to experiment with different ways of handling a head strong working dog. Australian Cattle Dogs are not a popular dog for Trialling because of their insistance to do what they want, not what the handler wants, once they are in the Trial ring (although they are not on their own in that). However, we proved it can be done.



CONGRATULATIONS TO -STAN and CINDY



TITBIT CORNER

Heard about the new sport called "DOG FISHING"?

Recipe:

2 handfuls of ankles

1 fully stretched body

Gently hang over edge of river bank fully extended whilst ankles are gripped then try and coax one fat Dobermann to get within reach of extended arms.

WRONG Recipe:

Fat Dobermann strayed out of reach and found alternative route out of water, while smaller fat Dobermann in and <u>out</u> of same area, came to see what mum was doing. (Thought) perhaps if I clamber over her back I can look down and see what new game she's playing.

RESULT: No bites, lost time, sanity and cleanliness!

Contestants: Two male Rottweilers, Helen Read and Val Moeller.

Why was this so? One swimming Rottweiler couldn't get back out of the water after a swim because of a cutaway in the river bank (or so he told his owner)!



"TWO YEAR OLD ATTACKS ROTTWETLER"



"Who says life was meant to be easy", living with a two year old is far from easy.

I'm a mature three year old Rottweiler bitch who lives with two owners, a two year old Rottweiler and a two year old human.

Life began very nicely for me, a substitute baby to some degree. I had many privileges of sleeping inside, even on the bed, constant belly rubs, walks and training. I felt very loved, confident and happy being family member number three.

But soon my owners began to do some strange things like introducing me to plastic dolls covered in layers of baby powder and socializing me with small children.

It soon made sense and I was introduced to a very small person whom made strange noises and smells, but this was fine as she was rather cute just lying there. My position changed from number three to number four and this was fine as life didn't change a great deal.

Now today this little person is a lot bigger and a lot more active and certainly makes life very different for me.

This innocent looking toddler has in her possession 28 very sharp pearly white teeth and one impulsive raging temper at times, and this combination can be a painful combination at times. You read headlines of dogs attacking young children, but let me assure you this headline appears reversed "Two year old attacks Rottweiler" many times and I am certainly not the only K9 victim of those little fangs and temper, and mostly only because I happen to be at the right level at the wrong time!

Then there are the good points too occasionally. Our toddler discovered that the dog treats and biscuits are kept at an obtainable height in the kitchen pantry which happens to be beside the back door. I have spent many hours being hand fed biscuits through a small hole, which I may say is gradually enlarging with each and every binge. If I knock a few times on the flywire door every now and again, I receive a biscuit for my trouble. "Who's got who obedience trained?"

There are many things to be sacrificed living with two year olds, I often have to share my snoozer bed with this child, and my large waterbowl often becomes a bath tub for her many dolls, it's very difficult to drink with dolls bobbing up and down at you.

Being locked in the cubby house I must say is the worst. No escape from mud pies, cups of tea, snail cocktails the list goes on.

Having my face and paws cleaned and bossed around by a pushy pretend mum, and worst of all is being left locked in while the two year old has decided playing inside with lego bricks is more fun.

But I do get a chance for revenge every now and again by placing numerous dog rocks right at the end of her slide, which she spends most of her time bare footed on.

But overall besides these negative points, I love that terrible two year old and would do everything possible to protect her from harm.

Written by
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SHEPHOLME MANTILLA C.D., T.D. (Tracking Dog) "



German Shepherd - Owned by Maria & Barry Elliott Trained by Maria Elliott

Jenna obtained her first pass for her T.D. title at a Tracking Trial held by Southern Obedience Dog Club, held at a property at Tynong North, in July 1991, with a pass rate of GOOD.

She obtained her T.D. (Tracking Dog) title at the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria tracking trial, held at the field and game reserve Haddon, (outer suburb of Ballarat), on the 8th August 1992, with a pass rate of VERY GOOD.

"AS YOU CAN SEE IT WAS A LONG TIME BETWEEN DRINKS"

But, I can assure you, I made up for the time lapse! You'll note there are no scores given in tracking trials, only Pass or Fail. A Pass being graded from either a GOOD, VERY GOOD OR EXCELLENT.

> CONGRATULATIONS TO -MARIA and JENNA



" IN THE BLACK G.D. "

Bouncer Barnes - Owned by Ian Barnes

QUALIFYING SCORES:

Broadmeadows Obedience Dog Club - 21. 7.92 Score: First Place

German Shepherd Dog Club of Vic. -

Score: Second Place

Geelong Obedience Dog Club - 19. 7.92

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CONGRATULATIONS TO -IAN and BOUNCER





THE IRISH SETTER

The Irish Setter makes an ideal pet-companion for either the family or the individual. He is beautiful and intelligent, is by nature clean in habits, and possesses a disposition as fine as anyone would wish.

The **Irish Setter** is extremely loyal and will relate to each member of the family, adjusting his tempo to fit each one whether it is romping happily with older children or sitting quietly with smaller children or adults.

He is a dog who will happily run by your side in the park of sit contently at your feet. He is especially slow to become angrily aroused and will not cause alarm by barking without cause. He is a big dog that carries himself with a quiet dignity.

The Irish Setter makes an ideal pet. You couldn't get a better dog when it comes to temperament and loyalty. These qualities combined with his lustrous coat and proud gait make him an animal that you will be proud to own.

AS A SHOW DOG

The Irish Setter's popularity as a show dog is no doubt due to his possession of three of the greatest showring assets, colour, conformation and character.

Combined with intriguing beauty of coat is a wonderful disposition. He is kind affectionate and easily trained. He is the possessor of a gallant competitive spirit and the showmanship required to make him or her a real champion. Indeed most Irish Setters are innate and veritable show-offs.

IN OBEDIENCE

Everyone who owns or is contemplating owning an **Irish Setter** may wonder if he or she can be trained to be an acceptable companion or to an obedience title. The answer is a definite yes. One of the greatest myths about the breed is that they are stupid. The numerous **Irish Setters** who have gained obedience titles, work in the field responding to hand signals or have been trained just to be better mannered companions in the home prove such beliefs unfounded.

To go about training your **Irish Setter** you should take his natural development and temperament into account. The **Irish Setter** is slow to mature, both physically and mentally. He remains young and mischievious in disposition throughout his life, which often reaches advanced age. He is intelligent and understanding and expects to be treated that way.

He cannot be broken to blind obedience but is most anxious to please his master or mistress whom he loves and respects. Thus, before and during training, you must take time to win his allegiance. Once learned, he will never forget anything he has been taught and wants only an appreciative word from you.

IN THE FIELD

The Irish Setter is and always has been first of all a bird dog. His hunting ability is one of his greatest assets and his poetry in motion, his flaming colour and the way he goes about his work in typical Irish flourish and style on point over game make hunting or field trial work with him an unforgettable experience.

Nothing will match the thrill of watching him do what nature intended him to do when as a mature and flashing specimen he eagerly races forward at your command, searching the likely cover and slams to a stop, locked up on intense point on finding that elusive and hypnotic scent of game. At day's end you will return with not only your share of the game bag but you and your dog as a team will have enjoyed every minute of it.

THE TRISH SETTER/2

The Irish Setter, is with no doubt one of the most beautiful of all breeds, with his rich chestnut coat, and lively, cheerful exuberance. He is totally a companion dog and wants only in life to be beside and to please his master. He is basically an energetic dog and loves nothing better than to go for long walks. He is naturally affectionate and is happiest when he is with his family and the centre of attention.

(Information compiled by The Irish Setter Club of Victoria Inc. in booklet form.)



JUST SAY "NO" TO GREEN LAWNS

With a little assist from Mother Nature, lawns turned brown all last summer. People did their part, too, passing along the word that green (in well watered and well fertilized) is ugly and brown is beautiful. Now comes another reason for letting the turf fend for itself. The Journal of the National Cancer Institute for September issued notice that dogs allowed to romp on lawns treated with a herbicide containing the chemical 2, 4-D (also called 2,4-D acid or 2.4-dichloro-phenoxyacetic acid) were twice as likely to develop malignant lymphoma (lymphatic cancer) as dogs who did not have contact with the chemical or the treated lawns. Factors that were not significant were the use of flea control products and smoking on the part of the owner.

The study examined chemical exposures in almost 500 dogs with malignant lymphoma. The dogs most at risk were owned by the most lawn-conscious people, those who used the herbicide more than four times a year. The chemical was just as lethal in its granulated as in its liquid form but a little less so if applied by a professional lawn treatment company rather than the lawn owner (perhaps because the professionals spread it more evenly). Another possible conclusion from this study: If 2.4-D is a threat to dogs who roll in the chemical and lick it off their coats, it may also be a threat to humans handling the compound.

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- 3. The elbow
- Yes
- Inflammation and swelling of a joint
- 6. Wrist
- 7. Osteochondritis dissecans
- 8. Blood cells (both red and white)
- 9. Broken bone which protrudes from the skin
- 10. Calcium (and phosphorus)

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AGILITY & OBEDIENCE CALENDAR

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SOUTHERN O.D.C.	CLOSED 7.11.92	ACTUAL 21.11.92
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GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF		
VICTORIA (R.O.T.)	CLOSED	3.10.92
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WARRINGAL O.D.C. INC.	CLOSED	4.10.92
AIREDALE TERRIER CLUB OF		
VICTORIA (R.O.T.)	CLOSED	10.10.92
KNOX O.D.C.	28. 9.92	11.10.92
STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER		
CLUB OF VICTORIA (R.O.T.)	CLOSED	17.10.92
NORTHCOTE O.D.C. INC.	4.10.92	17.10.92
BELGIAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB		
OF VICTORIA (R.O.T.)	CLOSED	18.10.92
ALTONA CIVIC O.D.C. INC.	4.10.92	19.10.92
WERRIBEE O.D.C. INC.	10.10.92	24.10.92
GISBORNE & DISTRICT O.D.C. INC.	11.10.92	25.10.92
DALMATIAN CLUB OF VICTORIA		
(R.O.T.)	2.10.92	31.10.92
BERWICK O.D.C.	16.10.92	31.10.92
EASTERN SUBURBS O.D.C.	25.10.92	1.11.92
BAIRNSDALE & DISTRICT O.D.C.	24.10.92	7.11.92
GEELONG O.D.C.INC.	25.10.92	8.11.92
SHERBROOKE O.D.C.	1.11.92	15.11.92
	7.11.92	21.11.92
GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF		
VICTORIA	8.11.92	22.11.92
	9.11.92	28.11.92
BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF VICTORIA (R.O.T.)	15.11.92 (?)	29.11.92

(R.O.T.) = Restricted Obedience trial, i.e. that breed only..

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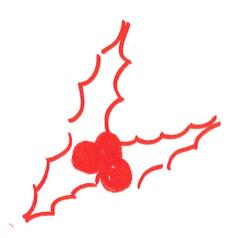
Recently noticed in the "Sun-Herald"

Pet owners have been warned to check the expiry dates of animal shampoos after two pet dogs died.

A Sydney company has recalled remaining bottles of the shampoo, $\mbox{\it Dyzon}$ Insecticidal Rinse for Dogs.

The dogs two golden retrievers, died within two months of each other after their Wollongong masters bathed them with the shampoo, which had passed its expiry date.





SOCIAL NEWS

Well it is that time of the year again when Christmas is fast approaching. Once again the social committee of your club have out done themselves and have already organized this years Christmas party.

The date to remember is....
SATURDAY 5th DECEMBER 1992
A spit roast dinner and live entertainment have been arranged. There will be more details later and tickets will be available soon.

The Christmas party is a fantastic night.
Everyone is welcome, so keep the 5th of
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LEONIE KELLEHER
SOCIAL CO-ORDINATER





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SUNBURY

Gerry Dyst Troopsford Heinrich (Boz) NOVICE German Shepherd Dog 2nd PASS

AGILITY

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Cheryl Young Ajoujou Jazzy Joe CD (Dandy) 2nd PASS

(Toy Poodle)

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GERMAN SHEPHERD Shepholme Mantilla CD (Jenna) 2nd PASS T.D. DOG CLUB OF VIC. German Shepherd Dog

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