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GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.
NEWSLETTER NO. 68

Welcome to our new members may 1966 be a year of shared happiness in training for you and your dogs.

The Newsletter is distributed on the last training day of every second month, other than this first issue which is distributed at the first February training session. If you are unable to attend on that day, please see the Secretary and a copy can be retained for you.

Congratulations to all those people winning Year 1995 awards and may your successes snowball. Full details further on in Newsletter.

No matter how much we as responsible owners try, nor how much Governments legislate there are those among the community who will **NEVER** listen or attempt to do the right thing. These are the people who get away with irresponsibility under the various Dog Acts continually and these are the very same people who see us having lessening rights each day as the dog debate rages daily via the media.

You, new members, have taken the first steps to responsible dog ownership. Extend your knowledge further afield, and show the ignorant members of the public how dogs should be managed in public by abiding by all the various By-Laws. If your dog fouls in a public place whilst out walking **ON LEAD** clean up after it; don't take it to a doggy beach+let it run unsupervised no matter what the breed or size. Show the anti-dog lobby that **YOU** have a **companion** that is controlled!

I believe unprovoked dog attacks by loose dogs of **ANY BREED** or **SIZE** on someone else's property, or in public places should certainly incur heavy penalties. However, I think it grossly wrong when my dog and your dog, can not defend it's own property whether we are in attendance or not.

If a burglar/intruder scales the fence and two padlocked side gates, or forces entry into my house through closed doors or windows, they **ARE** encroaching on my personal space and that of my dogs. I personally would not just say, "**WELCOME, come on in and help yourself, what's mine is yours!**", and neither would my dogs (I hope). Yet this low-life can sue **ME**. One wonders what our so-called legislators are doing! The message being issued seems to say "**Crime does pay!**" What do you think?

Now on a more positive scene, it was pleasing to note that registration for V.C.A. members living in the Greater City of Geelong has been reduced further. Maybe this in itself will help to get more people responsibly involved with dogs in the future.

Our first **GENERAL MEETING** for the year is on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6 at 8 pm**. Now is the time for you newer members to come along and see how the club functions and how decisions are reached. Everyone is asked to bring along a plate for supper, and this is the time for the new to meet with some of the old (some of us are definitely older than a lot of others), and chat about your **special friend**.

Happy New Year to you all.

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END OF YEAR TITLES AND AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WHO OBTAINED OBEDIENCE
TITLES IN 1995

- * TONY SMITH & HIS GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG, BREBARON ENFORCER C.D.
(OSCAR) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT (CDX)
- * ANGIE BLOOMER & HER GERMAN SHORT HAired POINTER, LEBERFELL
MONTANA C.D. (LACY) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT (CDX)
- * HEATHER O'KEEFE & HER ASSOCIATE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG, BINGO
O'KEEFE C.D. (BINGO) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT (CDX)
- * CRAIG COGGER & HIS STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER, SCHWARTZSTAFF
RUFF N TUFF, (MAJOR) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG (CD)
- * RICHARD & REBECCA DALTON & THEIR ASSOCIATE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG,
RASTUS JACK (RASTUS) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG (CD)
- * MONICA SMITH & HER ASSOCIATE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG, BLACK RUSSIAN
RAJAH (RAJAH) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG (CD)
- * HELEN READ & HER ROTTWEILER, ORMSLEE AUSTRAL ABOTT AI (A), (ABOTT)
OBTAINED COMPANION DOG (CD)
- * VAL MOELLER & HER ROTTWEILER, ORMSLEE AUSTRAL AMIGO AI (A), (SAXON)
OBTAINED COMPANION DOG (CD)
- * HEATHER O'KEEFE & HER ASSOCIATE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG, BINGO O'KEEFE
(BINGO) OBTAINED COMPANION DOG (CD)

TRIAL DOGS OF 1995

- * ASSOCIATE: BILL LAING'S, GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG, MARCUS
LAANECORIE U.D.
- * REGISTERED: JOHN & ANN-MARIE CORRIGAN'S, BORDER COLLIE,
KURRAWA MIA CASEN C.D.
- * AGILITY: JOHN BELL'S ASSOCIATE BORDER COLLIE, BESSIE.

SPECIAL AWARDS

THE ELSA DAHL AWARD WAS AWARDED TO OUR "TOP-DOG" - (PRESIDENT) -
FRED LEHRMANN

THE COMMITTEE/INSTRUCTOR PERSON OF THE YEAR WAS AWARDED TO
(SECRETARY) - LISA BLACKWELL

Congratulations to these two members (both Life), whom I am
sure you will agree, are more than worthy recipients of these
coveted awards.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to 1996. It's back to training after the long spell: or was it not long enough? Please let us hear your views on this subject. as we need it for the end of this year's calendar.

Thanks to the help of so many of you, we were able to salvage quite a few items of equipment. even so some is damaged, and may have to be replaced over the next year or so. We have estimated roughly \$5 000 damages give or take a hundred or so dollars

Our Trial Secretary Pam has been able to secure a replacement date for our lost November trial. This will be the middle of April. so start training.

The new committee stood up to the flood well and the newly elected Social Secretary provided us all with well organised activities to see out the last training day. Thank you all for staying back in large numbers. It was good to see the many groups enjoying their barbecues and drinks. Santa arrived late and was told off by our secretary Lisa. for setting a bad example for the kids as they and their mums and dads are expected to be on time in class. (Are they?)

I would like to say "thank you" for being honoured with the "Elsa Dahl Award". I feel that I was only doing what I accepted to put in by being on committee and being a member. Fortunately. I had the opportunity to do a little more as I live close by and I had the time. but I also feel that a lot of others would have been eligible for the award as well. Therefore I shall share this honour in my thoughts with quite a few of you. Congratulations to Lisa for being named the "Committee Person" of the Year. Again she was selected from a few worthy nominees.

So now on with 1996. Let's all be part of the Club. and in that way we shall all enjoy our involvement.

Good training.

FRED LEHRMANN
PRESIDENT.





TRIAL RESULT

SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB (R.O.T.)

Leslev Gavlard

Kirrimist Magic In Black
(Misty)

NOVICE

2nd Place

1ST PASS

(Was "Misty's" first trial. and this is the first trial result I have had to publish in over four months. Well done you two!)

DISPLAY TEAM REPORT

The team went to Moolap Primary School mid-November for an early evening display. We had lots of room and spectators too, so made for a very good display.

Thanks go to John Bell for the use of his agility gear - (ours got caught up in the floods) - and to Michael Foord for collecting said gear. Our thanks go also to Vicki & Paul Rockcliffe for presenting the dogs with little gifts (dog chews) and the handlers with vouchers for a drink and snack - it was very much appreciated!

Our next outing was to Balmoral Lodge to entertain the residents. My thanks to Barbara, Pat, Peg and Arthur who came along with me. The dogs behaved very well as always and the residents loved them, so we have been invited to return in early February. We were given afternoon tea (a great reward) and presented with a bath mat to be raffled by the Club - was a very pleasant outing.

On breakup day prior to Christmas we "displayed" at the Club to show members (and hopefully potential new members to the team) what the team does - thank you to all the team members for the hard work and effort.

Hopefully in 1996 we will be able to put on a short program at the Club every 2-3 months so club members can see us "strut our stuff" and give some thought to joining the team. Anyone who is interested please see me.

DESMA DICKESON
MANAGER



CHRISTMAS DINNER YUM-YUM

Did you hear about the London Labrador **Sandy** being in the doghouse after scoffing a three-course Christmas dinner meant for eight people. Instead of dishing up turkey and stuffing, her horrified owner had to serve meat and potato pie with chips - without gravy.

"It was the only thing we had left. All the shops were closed on Christmas Day", said the owner.

The despairing mother of two had spent hours laying out the food on Christmas Eve ready to cook it the next morning. The prepared food had been neatly put on a cloth on the kitchen table before she and her husband retired for the night.

While they slept **Sandy** sprang into action. Tugging at the edge of the cloth she brought the food crashing down.

The next day **Sandy** was found in her dog basket, too full to move and ringed by turkey bones, sprouts and carrots.

In the Christmas Eve binge the hungry hound had ploughed through an entree of one kilogram of prawns and 200 grams of smoked salmon; a main course of one turkey, a kilo of Cumberland sausages, 10 rashers of streaky bacon, a tub of apple sauce, a basin of sage and onion stuffing, parboiled potatoes, carrots, sprouts and 500 grams of roasted, buttered parsnips.

Cont....

CHRISTMAS DINNER YUM-YUM Cont/2

For dessert she had scoffed 12 miniature ginger and brandy puddings in lemon sauce, a tub of fresh cream and a box of continental chocolates.

(Just as well Sandy hadn't been taught how to open bottles otherwise she would have been one well pickled pooch!)

LIVER YUM-YUMS FOR THE MORE DISCERNING EATERS

LIVER CUBES

Liquify (ugh) 1 lb liver. For this I use chicken livers in a tub, and use the liquid that comes with it. If you use vacuum packed frozen beef liver, add a tad of water. Add a cup flour, 1/2 cup corn meal, 1 tsp. onion powder, 1 tsp. minced garlic, 1 tsp. garlic salt, and 1 tsp. oregano. Spread on cookie sheet greased with oil (consistency when spreading on sheet should be that of peanut butter). Cook at 350 degrees for 12-15 min. I like to make them $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick. Cut up and freeze away. They do not take well to standing at room temp. for long periods of time! So, defrost only what you will use in about two days.

LIVER PIECES

Take a pound of beef liver. Put it in water on the stove, add $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp of garlic powder. Boil for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Then remove, put on a cookie sheet or something similar and bake at low heat for another hour or so (200°F). After that, cut up into small pieces. Smells whilst cooking, but keeps wonderfully in the freezer, and the doggies love it. The broth can be used on dry food as an extra treat.

REFLECTIONS

There is sorrow enough
In the natural way,
From men and women
To fill our day.
But when we are certain
of sorrow in store,
Why do we always
arrange for more?
Brothers and sisters
I bid you beware,
of giving your heart
To a dog to tear.



Rudyard Kipling

The psychological and moral comfort of a presence at once humble and understanding - this is the greatest benefit that the dog has bestowed upon man.

Percy Bysshe Shelley



Allow me to introduce myself; my name is Joan, as a dog person I'm a club nobody, you won't find my name on the prize lists or the trial schedules but still dogs have always been a part of my life, all I ask of my dog is companionship, and some respect. However I've done quite a bit of listening at the club grounds in my time which has led me to believe that there is a rather a lot of you who share my 'strange lack of ambition'. The Club has been important in my doggy relationships over the years and in an effort to put something back I am now the current Social Co-ordinator, which means it is my charter to help provide activities that are 'social' the dictionary tells me that 'social' means 'people doing things together'. Take note dear reader TOGETHER ! Please bring your ideas for 'togetherness' activities, with or without dogs, either to me personally, or via the Suggestion Box so that we can inject some FUN into our membership. My active term of office began with a short notice 'baptism of fire' on the last day of training for '95, I think some of us at least, had fun, even some dogs had fun and some people had fun with their dogs which is even better. This short program was only possible because of the good natured co-operation of the generous souls who pitched in to help on the day, next time how about some new volunteers to let the others 'have a go' at whatever activity is on, it's up to all of us to extend a hand of friendship to our classmates and a smile to a stranger at training to make ours a truly friendly Club where our dogs are our partners and a means of entry into a like minded community.

Joan Vlahovic.

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ONCE BITTEN, SO WHY SO SHY?

By Dr. David Hill

A woman called seeking advice because her very large dog had bitten the neighbour. She did not want to bring the dog to me or any other Vet. because she'd hear Vets. were very expensive. She did not want to give me her name nor to seek the assistance of a dog training club because she said, **Rocky** did not like strangers.

All she wanted was for me to give her a few home remedy tips in the fond hope that a few words into a telephone would both salve her conscience and change the dog.

It is imperative that this person seeks professional help **NOW!** The team of dog and owner need an on-site assessment from an animal behaviour specialist. Telephone advice is not adequate.

There is an urgent need to know why this particular dog is biting. Is the problem one of pure aggression, is it fear biting or related to dominance or territory dispute? The handler must learn how to recognise the dog's body language and how to adequately control the animal.

The way to obtain assistance is via a referral from the local Vet. Not by picking a trainer from the Yellow Pages. Many of the advertised trainers are excellent, however this particular problem with **Rocky** is too serious to entrust to anyone whose abilities do not come with an endorsement from a veterinarian.

Rocky's owner is in a heap of legal and moral trouble should this dog offend again. In almost all cases where a dog bites sends someone to hospital the dog has bitten before; usually someone known to the dog.

Private attention is not cheap, dog bites less so. Even more expensive would be losing a legal action where it was successfully argued that the owner knew the dog was likely to bite, had been advised to seek professional assistance and then had knowingly and deliberately ignored that advice. Dogs that **kill** people are dogs like **Rocky**.

(Dr. Hill is an East Bentleigh veterinarian, and a regular Herald Sun columnist.)

Editorial note:

One would have to think **ROCKY** doesn't go to the Vet at all, and may never have met one. Therefore he is not immunised; he is not on heartworm preventative treatment and probably isn't even wormed. Sad state of affairs.

It should be made mandatory that before **ANYONE** is permitted to own and register a dog that they attend a sessionⁿ Animal Behaviour conducted by registered Animal Behaviouralists, so that they as owners have some understanding of the nature of the animal they wish to invite into their space. If people are not prepared to spend an hour or two at one of these types of information sessions, how can they expect to be able to cope with a **lifetime** of cohabitation with that animal? This should then be followed up with Council/Shire/City run programs explaining the requirements of responsible dog ownership, both legally and morally. I further believe **ALL** dogs should undertake some obedience training no matter **WHAT** size or **WHAT** breed.



GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC

//Post Flood//

Open Agility & Obedience Trial
14th April, 1996

*Check your March Gazette
for our Schedule*



***** CERTIFICATE PASSES.....
FROM PROMOTION DAY 10TH DECEMBER, 1995.

BASIC OBEDIENCE;-

THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED THIS LEVEL NOW TRAIN IN CLASS 3 IN THE FIRST SESSION.

KIM CIEZAREK & HARLEY
WAYNE WATSON & DASH
MARGARET COULSON & CANDY

BILL LAING & RANGEROVER LAING
KATE MILLIGAN & OSCAR
BOB PRICE & FRED

WENDY GANLY & SOCTTY
CATHY SALETA & KELLY
ERICH HELL & NIKKI

MERIT OBEDIENCE;-

THESE MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED THIS LEVEL REMAIN TRAINING IN CLASS 2 IN THE FIRST SESSION.

SARAH BLONK & CRISSY
JACQUELINE WALLACE & MOLLY
COLIN HUMPHREYS & OLIVER
NICKI HARTNEY & DOYLE

ALLAN KILPATRICK & TURBO
ANGUS ROGERS & KIRRA
CHRIS SHIELDS & KATIE
KERRY KIDDLE & MAJOR

ELIZABETH SLADE & JESSA
DAVID PHILLIPS & MONTY
STAN ROGERS & PEPPER
HELEN PRESTON & BESS

BEGINNERS' OBEDIENCE;-

THESE MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED AT THIS LEVEL NOW TRAIN IN CLASS 2 IN THE FIRST SESSION.

ELIZABETH BLONK & TILLY
MOYRA LEBLANC-SMITH & BARNEY
KAREN SUTHERLAND & BAISY
SANDRA O'HARA & HOLLY
KEN OLIVER & JAKE

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JASON LAIRD & BARKLEY
AVRIL OPDAM & INDIA
KERRI LEE & MUNG BEAN
WAYNE MCBRIDE & ELLA

***** WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS *****

STEPHEN PRESTON
RASHELLE DOUGLAS/NATHAN TAHOW
MARYANNE & PETER BURSTOW
JULIE & GARY PITCHER
JOANNE EATON
SALLY HAPP
FONALD & BERYL GRAHAM

THE POCOCK FAMILY
FIONA ALLPRESS
JUDY DANS/IAN WILSON
SCOTT DENNO
THE JONES FAMILY
FREDA GRAY
ROSEMARY TOMKINS

THE SUTERS/COGHLAN FAMILY
THE BATSON FAMILY
JIM HAIGH
PAUL HUDSON
BELINDA & SALLY BONNEY
JASON SMITH/SONJA VANCASPEL

WE HOPE YOUR TIME WITH US IS AN ENJOYABLE & REWARDING ONE.

***** DID YOU KNOW?

THE VICTORIAN CANINE ASSOCIATION HAS REASSESSED IT'S REGULATIONS REGARDING THE ENCOURAGEMENT CLASS, AFTER DISSCUSSIONS AT THE 1995 PRESIDENTS' & SECRETARYS' CONFERENCE. THE FORMED WORKING PARTY'S RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN ON BOARD. THIS CAN ONLY BE A POSITIVE STEP TO INCREASE THE NUMBERS IN THE ENCOURAGEMENT CLASS & ALSO ASSIST IN EDUCATION OF THE ASPIRING JUDGES.

- 1) THE PASS MARK FOR ENCOURAGEMENT CLASS BE 115 POINTS, PASSING IN ALL EXERCISES.
- 2) A PASS CARD BE AWARDED TO THE SAME. (WE HAVE ALWAYS GIVEN A QUALIFYING RIBBON TO MARK THE EXHIBITORS ACHEIVEMENT.)
- 3) THE ENCOURAGEMENT CLASS BE OPEN TO DOGS/BITCHES THAT HAVE NEVER ENTERED NOVICE IN A TRIAL OR GAINED A PASSING SCORE IN ENCOURAGEMENT CLASS IN A TRIAL.

GREAT NEWS. SEE PAGE 13 JANUARY GAZETTE VOL. 62, NO.1
USA BLACKWELL

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To The Secretary

Date 3/11/95

Dear Secretary,

Our club is running a seminar with Dr Robert Holmes animal behaviourist on March 14th 1996.

As many of the problems our members wish to discuss are experienced by other breeds we ask that you include the information about this seminar in your club publication.

Costs are high to obtain this very interesting and informative speaker, we hope to offset this by the charge made for entry. We are not looking to make a profit but to do a service to dog owners.

I hope that you will pass this information on to your members.

Seminar with DR ROBERT HOLMES - ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR SPECIALIST

VENUE Royal Showgrounds Dog Rooms Epsom Rd Ascot Vale.

DATE Monday March 14th. Commencing 8pm.

COST \$10 per person.

Topics - Bringing up a well socialised litter.

Aggression - Dog to Dog. Dog to Man, Dog to Animals.

Overcoming fear - in show ring, thunderstorms, car ECT.

Questions from the floor on topics of interest.

This man is a very interesting lecturer. Come along and learn as you enjoy yourself.

Enquiries to Helen Read on 052 484889 or Lousie Scott on 93767813.

Pay at the door on the night. Tea and coffee provided.

SERVICE TO DOG OWNERS BY THE ROTTWEILER CLUB OF VICTORIA.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Read
Secretary

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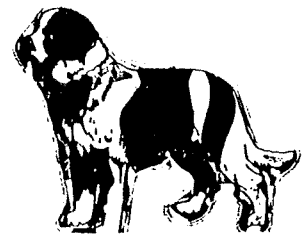
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HOW YOU CAN HELP AT A TRIAL

This information is basically for our new members, but will also remind our "not so new" members of just what is involved in running a Trial.

Geelong Obedience Dog Club is affiliated with the Victorian Canine Association and we will be conducting three (3) Agility and/or Obedience Trials in 1996:-

14 April

21 July

10 November

As there isn't any training on these dates, we do ask our members to help with the preparation where and when they can. It's a good way to show your support for the Club even if you don't intend Trialling, but for those who have entertained the thought, it is a practical way to see what a Trial is all about. Of course, the preparation for such an event begins well before the day:-

WORKING BEES

These are usually held on the two (2) Saturdays prior to the Trial and include such jobs as:-

General cleaning of the Clubhouse - windows, kitchen, toilets, bar, etc.

Clipping around trees and the Chain ring, mowing

Sweeping and weeding

Cleaning equipment - even some painting at times

Setting up of rings on the second Saturday

The working bees start about 10.00am and even if you can only spare ONE hour your help will be appreciated.

STEWARDS

We usually require 25 - 30 Stewards for a Trial and this is the best experience if you are considering Trialling. Don't worry if you haven't done it before, you are always placed with an experienced Steward and everyone has to start somewhere. We are hoping to conduct a Steward's Seminar early this year and there are various hand-outs available for you to read.

Agility Stewards (usually 6) are required by 8.00am or a little earlier if you can help set up equipment. Obedience Stewards are required at 11.00am. This allows you time to have something to eat (lunch is provided), meet your fellow Steward and Judge and generally get organised. We also require 2 or 3 emergency Stewards incase someone can't make it, but if these Stewards aren't required in the ring, they help out by taking scratchings to the rings and drinks to the Stewards and Judges, etc. Plenty to do!!!



HOW YOU CAN HELP AT A TRIAL (con't)

ON THE DAY OF THE TRIAL

There are many areas where the Club needs your support on the Trial Day and again, even ONE hour's help on the day, certainly eases the workload.

CANTEEN

Besides the usual facilities, we provide lunch for the Judges and Stewards which at the April and November Trial is usually cold buffet style and casseroles in July. Lorraine and Malcolm run our Canteen and there is a list below where you can make their day a little easier:-

Making various salads, platters for April and November or casseroles for July. Desserts and cakes are also welcome. Please deliver to the Club from 7.30am to 10.30am on the day.

Small cakes, slices, muffins, etc for the Cake Stall. Please deliver as above. Also help to man the Cake Stall.

Making sandwiches - help needed for 7.30am to make sandwiches for the Judges and Stewards tables and to sell in the Canteen.

Serving in the Canteen - normal sales of pies, pasties, lollies, etc, again even ONE hour will help.

In the two (2) weeks prior to the Trial see Lorraine in the Canteen and let her know what you can bring so she can plan ahead.

VETTING TABLES

One extra person is needed to help with the Vetting - stamp "Pass to ring" on cards after bitches have been checked. Time required - Agility 7.30am to 8.15am approx., Obedience 10.15am to 11.30am.

RAFFLE

If you are one of those clever people who are into ceramics or crafts maybe you can donate something to the raffle or even saleable items to the Cake Stall, but if you are like me, see Wendy Bartels and offer an hour of your time to give Wendy a break or sell Raffle Tickets around the grounds.

CLUB EQUIPMENT SHOP

The shop is usually open all day and Wendy Ganly would certainly appreciate a lunch break.

As you can see, there is something for everyone! At a Trial, your Club is on display. Geelong has an excellent reputation to live up to and if we all contribute that reputation will continue.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!!

Pam Convery
Trial Secretary



"GOTCHA YA"

Did you hear about the burglar who abandoned his dog during a break-in who woke up to find his faithful pet had returned, leading the police straight to his front door.

The black and white mongrel's act of loyalty landed him in a strays' home when the thief, who was arrested, denied he was the owner.

Kennel staff called the six-year-old mongrel **Bullseye** after the bull terrier owned by Bill Sikes in Charles Dicken's **Oliver Twist** which led police to the villain after he killed his girlfriend Nancy.

The modern **Bullseye** was left as a lookout in front of a house in northern England, while his owner broke a kitchen window to get in.

But the burglar was disturbed when the residents returned and he fled through the back door. His dog was still waiting outside the window when police arrived.

Police said, "We first thought it was a stray but became suspicious after it refused to leave the window. After a great deal of coaxing, it was taken to the police station where it was cared for overnight. Next morning it led us to its owner."

DON'T bark at dogs - it can get you arrested.

That's what a gent in America found out recently after he spent a few minutes barking at a police German Shepherd Dog as it sat in a parked police car.

The gent was walking by when the dog, **ZEDO**, barked at him from inside the car.

So he did what any normal human would: **barked back.**

Then, he says, police suddenly arrested him and charged him for harassing the poor beast.

"I had stopped barking, and then the police came over and arrested me anyway. This is really unfair," the gent said.

But there are two sides to this cutting edge law enforcement tale. The police maintain the gent was seen by an officer and told to stop barking at **Zedo**. The officer said the gent went on with a few more howls, and despite being told it constituted harassment continued on barking.

So they cuffed the human as the dog watched on - its fangs no doubt bent into a smile.

"A police dog is a trained animal, a police tool", the police chief said. "God forbid anyone does something to agitate a dog. A dog can go through a car window, and that could create a bad situation. Instead of being a taunter, the guy could quickly become a victim."

The gent spent an hour in the 'clink' before being released awaiting court charges on harassment!

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man.

Mark Twain



OBEDIENCE & AGILITY CALENDAR

<u>OBEDIENCE</u>	<u>CLOSE</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
MELTON DOG O.C.	2. 2.96	17. 2.96
WARRINGAL O.D.C.	11. 2.96	25. 2.96
ROTTWEILER CLUB OF VICTORIA (ROT)	2. 2.96	1. 3.96
" " " " "	"	2. 3.96
" " " " "	"	3. 3.96
HUNGARIAN VIZSLA CLUB OF VIC.(ROT)	5. 2.96	3. 3.96
EASTERN SUBURBS O.D.C.	18. 2.96	3. 3.96
GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VIC(ROT)	Closed	8. 3.96
" " " " " (ROT)	Closed	9. 3.96
" " " " " (ROT)	Closed	10. 3.96
WARRNAMBOOL DOG TRAINING SCHOOL	29. 2.96	9. 3.96
" " " " "	"	10. 3.96
STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER CLUB(ROT)	12. 2.96	11. 3.96
VICTORIAN O.D.C.	25. 2.96	17. 3.96
MOORABBIN & DISTRICT O.D.C.	3. 3.96	24. 3.96
KNOX O.D.C.	17. 3.96	31. 3.96

AGILITY

WARRNAMBOOL DOG TRAINING SCHOOL	29. 2.96	9. 3.96
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KNOX O.D.C.	17. 3.96	31. 3.96

CLUB CALENDAR



4.2.96 Class 1 Intake (Over 6 months)
6.2.96 GENERAL MEETING
18.2.96 Puppy Intake (Under 6 mths)
26.2.96 Instructors Meeting

3.3.96 Class 1 Intake & Puppy Intake
5.3.96 Committee Meeting
17.3.96 Puppy Intake (Under 6 months)
18.3.96 Instructors Meeting
24.3.96 PROMOTION DAY

31.3.96 Class 1 Intake & Puppy Intake
NEWSLETTER CLOSING 13.3.96 FOR ALL COPY - NO LATECOMERS ACCEPTED!

TITBITS

Not as good as the story about "Sandy" (see elsewhere), but who is the dog on a restricted vegetarian diet who thought a string of sausages catered more to a fellows liking than those strings of tinsel everyone else was gadding around with. Feed the man meat, PAT!

Who owns the ROTTWEILER showering people with unwanted Christmas gifts on break-up day? I trust Santa brought him some doodle block-out!

Twinkle, twinkle little star
The hat winked to near and far
But NO, not a policeman in sight to wish a Merry Christmas to
on that special night!!
(Could have had more punch!)

TRIALLERS:-

F.Y.I.

TRIALLERS:-

- * THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME CONFUSION AS TO WHAT IS REQUIRED FROM TRIALLERS AND OUR CLUB AWARDS. SO HERE ARE SOME POINTERS WHICH SHOULD CLEAR UP THE CONFUSION.
- * KEEP A RECORD OF ALL YOUR TRIAL RESULTS -EVEN THE "BOMBS" AND HAND THEM TO THE SECRETARY ONCE YOUR SHEET(S) ARE FULL. THE SECRETARY KEEPS EVERYONE'S RESULTS IN A FOLDER. AS ALL TRIALLERS (REGISTERED AND ASSOCIATE) ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE FOR THE TOP TRIALLING DOG OF THE YEAR, THE ONUS IS ON YOU TO HAND IN YOUR RESULTS. ALL YOUR SCORES ARE AVERAGED AND FIVE POINTS IS THEN ADDED FOR EACH TRIAL ATTENDED. RECORD SHEETS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICE.
- * WHEN YOU OBTAIN A TITLE WITH YOUR DOG, THE ONUS IS ON YOU TO NOTIFY THE SECRETARY SO YOU AND YOUR DOG CAN BE PUT DOWN FOR A TITLE MEDALLION AND SEW-ON PATCH AT THE END OF THE YEAR PRESENTATIONS.
- * ALSO ONCE YOU HAVE YOUR TITLE, THE SECRETARY/TRIAL SECRETARY WILL NEED TO GIVE YOU THE APPROPRIATE PAPERWORK TO NOTIFY THE V.C.A. (VICTORIAN CANINE ASSOCIATION) OF YOUR TITLE.
- * ALL DOGS WHO RECEIVE A TITLE ARE ENTITLED TO HAVE AN 8"x10" VERTICLE PHOTO OF THEIR TITLED DOG ON THE CLUB HOUSE WALL. FRAMES ARE SUPPLIED BY THE CLUB. (NOTE: THERE ARE SEVERAL MEMBERS WHO HAVE TAKEN FRAMES IN THE PAST 18 MONTHS THAT STILL MUST PRODUCE THE FRAME AND PHOTOGRAPH FOR THE CLUB WALL.)
- * FOR TRIAL RESULTS TO APPEAR IN THE NEWSLETTER, THE ONUS IS ON THE MEMBER TO NOTIFY THE EDITOR IN WRITING OR BY PHONE.
- * PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR ALL DOGS WHO OBTAIN A TITLE TO PUT IN A HALF PAGE SUMMARY OF THEIR FEAT (OWNERS CAN WRITE A COUPLE OF LINES TOO) IN THE NEWSLETTER. ONCE AGAIN IT IS UP TO THE TRIALLER TO NOTIFY THE EDITOR IN WRITING AND DESIGN A "BLURB".
- * ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR DOGS CAN TRIAL AS LONG AS THE MEMBER IS A FINANCIAL MEMBER OF THE VICTORIAN CANINE ASSOCIATION AND THE DOG IS REGISTERED EITHER ON THE PUREBREED (DOGS WITH PAPERS), OR THE ASSOCIATE REGISTER, (CROSS BREED OR PURE BREED WITHOUT PAPERS). ASSOCIATE DOGS MUST BE SPEYED OR NEUTERED AND A PHOTOCOPY OF THE VETERINARY CERTIFICATE IS TO ACCOMPANY THE REGISTRATION APPLICATION. THE SECRETARY/OR TRIAL SECRETARY CAN HELP YOU WITH ALL THE APPROPRIATE FORMS DURING OFFICE HOURS.

NOW THAT ALL THIS HAS BEEN EXPLAINED, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE TRIALLERS TAKING CONTROL OF THEIR RESULTS ETC, AND MAKING USE OF WHAT THE CLUB PROVIDES FOR YOU, INSTEAD OF HAVING TO BE "CHASED" UP. SO GET THOSE RESULTS IN!!

LISA BLACKWELL
SECRETARY

GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.
TRIAL RESULTS

Handled by:

Owned by:

Dog's Kennel Name:

Dog's Pet Name:

Breed:

TRIAL ATTENDED:.....**DATE:**.....

CLASS ENTERED:.....**SCORE:**.....

TRIAL ATTENDED:.....**DATE:**.....

CLASS ENTERED:.....**SCORE:**.....

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