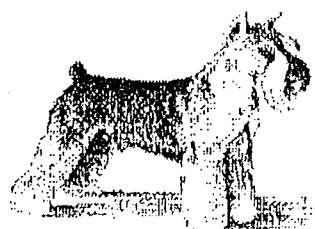
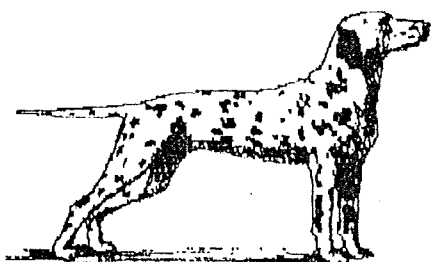
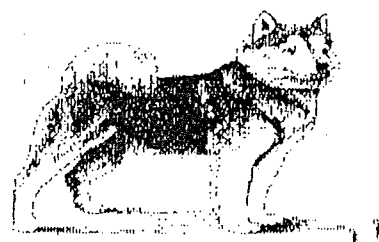
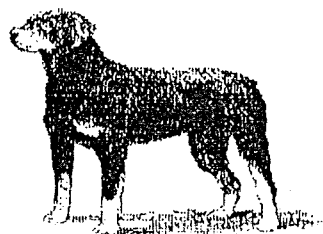


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REPORTS...REPORTS...REPORTS

PRESIDENT

Welcome to the new members who have joined the Club in the last two months. I hope that you will have a pleasant time with the Club and that you will find enjoyment in training your canine friend.

We have three levels of Certificates ie., **Beginners**, **Merit** and **Basic Obedience** and it takes some time and perseverance to obtain any of them, but it is well worth the effort.

Early in May we lost, John Bell, a valuable member, treasurer and friend. His death was a shock to us all.

Our new treasurer is Jim Ball who will carry on until the next A.G.M. which is on the 7th October.

And talking about the next A.G.M., I would like to see that the younger members of our Club get more involved in running the Club. Have a think about it and make yourself available for a Committee position!

The same goes for Instructors. We are always looking for people who wish to learn the art of instructing. Perhaps the members who have obtained their Basic Certificate and don't want to go Trialing, could make themselves available to become sub instructors. So members, consider it and put something back into the Club.

A lot of letters have been written to the Editors of the Newspapers regarding the proposed Geelong International Water Sports Complex on the Belmont Common. If the project goes ahead, then we are one of the Clubs who would have to be relocated.

It has been suggested by members that we should fight the Council about the project. I don't agree with that idea, because we are only the tenants of the ground and building. To oppose the Council would harm our relocation terms in my view.

The new site as suggested by Council is: "Brearly Reserve", Grovedale. Estimated cost of relocation is \$300,000 ie., for Clubrooms, Services, Car Parking etc., and for that reason I believe, we should not stir the pot too much. Have a think about it!

We've had a very successful Trial.

I would like to thank members and Non Members for the work they did for the Trial. Thanks to those who supplied casseroles, cakes and other items for the stall and raffle.

In the meantime, happy training and good health.

Anton Pape

SOCIAL SECRETARY

The Pie Drive has been very successful with over \$1800 worth of pies being ordered. I thank all those who supported this fund raising venture.
cont...

Later in the year we hope to have a Sweets Drive, but, then again, I'm open to any ideas in which we can raise funds for the Club.

Peg Pope

SECRETARY'S REPORT

By the time this Newsletter is distributed membership renewals will be almost closed and sanity will return to the Office again. You have until Thursday 31 July to renew or incur another joining fee. Although the exact numbers are incomplete at present the Club has a similar membership to this point last year with some old faces leaving us and some new ones still working hard. I updated all the membership cards this year and was amazed by the number of people who had moved house and not notified the Office of new addresses and phone numbers. I even found 4 dogs training at the Club who had not been added to current memberships. It is your responsibility to make sure your information is current and if you do want to add a dog to your membership you must fill in a form and have a current vaccination certificate sighted.

Our Annual General Meeting notice is further on in the Newsletter and once again it is time to start considering who is best suited to take the Club into 1998. All positions become vacant so if you think you have something to offer there are position descriptions available at the Office for some of the positions. As usual, the request is the same as in the past, if you think nominating for a position just means wearing a badge then please reconsider. A Club this size requires 12 working Committee members who function as a team and with this in mind the end result can be very rewarding. Regrettably, I will not be standing again as Secretary, so if there is someone who is interested in the position I am only too willing to help in any way I can.

Happy training
Pam Convery

TRIAL SECRETARY

Yet another Trial has come and gone and for this time of year, weatherwise, we couldn't have wished for a better day. It was also a very successful day for Geelong members with 8 Passes and 3 Titles. Keep up the good work, it's results like this that raise the standard of our Club.

Thank you to all those who donated and helped on the day and a big thank you in particular to my two co-workers in the Office - Leonie and Anne-Maree - you have helped me through some very hectic moments. It seems a shame to break up a good team but it is time for me to move on to other things, ie training my dog who, I think, has finally learned what "stay" means.]

So, if there are any budding Trial Secretaries out there who can cope with the red tape and chaos of a Trial, the nomination forms are in the Newsletter.

Happy Trialling
Janelle Convery

GROUNDS MANAGER

Due to our Grounds Manager holidaying in Germany for a few weeks I haven't a report for this Newsletter. Hope you are enjoying your holiday, Fred.
The Editor

REPORTS..REPORTS..REPORTS (con't)

ACTING TRAINING SUPERVISOR

As Arthur is a way sunning himself up north and I am Training Supervisor in his absence, I have been given the job of writing a report in his stead - it will be short and sweet!

By the time you all read this, promotion day will be over and hopefully quite a few people will have advanced to the next class due to success in their test. Keep working hard folks, and if you have a problem with any aspect of training, please see either your Instructor or the Training Supervisor or the Assistant Training Supervisor and I'm sure we can resolve the issue(s).

In the not too distant future, "Kindy Classes" will be starting in the club rooms for limited numbers of puppies per session with lots of socialising so stay tuned for further updates! That's all for now Enjoy your dogs!

Desma Dickeson

DISPLAY TEAM

Since our last Newsletter we have "displayed" our team to the Moriac Cub Group and also to the students at Belmont Primary School.

On 16th June, the Cubs came to the Club house for the evening (finally). Twice before the group was to visit but as we were flooded out on both occasions the arrangements had to be cancelled so it was a relief all around that the visit finally came about!

Trish, Michael, Angie, Peg, Barbara and I attended with our dogs and after a talk on pet care and responsible ownership and a short obedience display we all had a light supper. The group thanked us and presented us with a sapling to plant in appreciation before departing for home!

Later in the week it was off to Belmont Primary for their Safety Week activities. Michael and Angie were joined by Joan and Boris and also Angie's mum - the latter was an excellent baby pup sitter for my young dog - thanks Anna - we'll take you with us any time!

After the display we were treated to a lovely afternoon tea.

My thanks go to everyone involved in both these outings.

Desma Dickeson

Display Team Leader

Advice

Any two conflicting points of view with respect to the training of a pet contained in the same sentence.

Bad Habit

That which other pets do that is different from that which your pet does.

Constructive Criticism

Advice given to a pet owner, whether they want to hear it or not.

NEW MEMBERS

The Committee and Members would like to welcome you to the Club. We hope your stay with us is long and happy.

1 June 1997

Broderick Family	Howe Family	Walker Family	Vicki Joselin
Lia Mathieson	Sean Moore	Develin Family	Fuller Family
Wapshott Family	Gotthard Neicrep	Glenda Morrison	Lynne White
Bromilow Family	Lowe Family	Dianne Cail	Tamis Family
Richards Family	Julia Hadfield	Pickering Family	Teresa Esteban
Damian Andrews	James Thomson	Bourke Family	Woodhead Family
Don Hislop	Danni Phillips	Lowes Family	Tory Favro
Wharton Family			

15 June 1997

Marell Family	Darren Havenstein/Nicole Carobbo	Smilovic Family
Jason Flanagan/Jan Quillam	Matthew Jackman/Michelle McKiernan	

29 June 1997

Thompson Family	Pemberton Family	Humm Family	Louise Jaudzemis
Julie Dicesare/Scott Treweek		Mehegan Family	Tomkins Family
Ingrid Plummer	Derek Stamp/Fiona Williamson		Rosemary Baird
McKenzie Family	Belinda Diegthon/Shane Bailey		Callahan Family
Robertson/Lukic/Smith Family		Stevenson Family	Masowita Family
Mathews Family	Posterino Family	Tammy Venn	

13 July 1997

Caroline Jordan/Lisa Smith	Julie Riley	Susan Winsor
Leanne Travaille/ Syman Gill	Majenta Hind/Andrew Middleton	
Nicole Dekoke/Richard Hutchinson	Fawcett Family	Diamond Family
Brendan Darcy/Belinda Barber	Jodie Bee	Sharon Darby
Tracy McTaggart	Felicity Robertson	Lovett Family

THE CANINE TEN COMMANDMENTS

I shall not dig in the garden
 I shall not bark at posties and schoolchildren
 I shall not take food from strangers
 I shall not violate my neighbours garden
 I shall not violate my neighbours dog or cat
 I shall not pass wind in the car
 I shall not eat tinned or dried food
 I shall not violate the environment
 I shall not clean my privates in public
 I shall not watch days of our drearies

Submitted by Elaine Longshaw

KURRAWA MIA CASEN CDX. ADX. ET.

John and I have pleasure in announcing that Jake, our pride and joy, has gained his ADX and ET titles.

ADX

Jake received his first two passes within 2 weeks. 1st pass in Albury, NSW, on 22/3/97, 2nd pass in Mt. Gambier, SA, on 29/3/97 and finally his 3rd pass in Canberra, ACT, on 21/6/97. He also received a 4th pass in Canberra at their afternoon trial. (All 3 passes for his title, gained in different states). Masters here we come!!

Jake is the first dog at GODC to obtain this title.

ET

Jake delighted us once again, in Adelaide on 28/6/97 when he gained his Endurance Test title. After doing 20 kms it looked as if he could've done another 20. Don't know if John and I could have though!! Well done Jake.

John & Ann-Marie Corrigan.

Instructor's Profile

Bruce Cairns

It was in 1971, and Bruce Cairns was a puppy walker for the National Guide Dog Centre when he happened to go past the Geelong German Shepherd & Obedience Dog Club where he just happened to see a small group of people training dogs. He got curious, went in to watch and ask questions and stayed! Thus began a long association with the Club that continues to this day.

Bruce had a Golden Retriever, 2 Labradors and a Shetland Sheepdog and began training them trailing "Avon" - one of the labradors in unregistered trials not recognised by the KCC. He joined the display team and travelled as far away as DXXX and Dandenong with the team as well as "displaying" around the Geelong area too.

Bruce then became an instructor, and in 1978 was judged by the KCC panel and became a Certified or Registered Instructor.

He was Training Supervisor for 3 years and spent many years serving on committees as well as a stint as President in 1984/85.

Bruce is a life member and also a "25 year" member - both awards well deserved.

He has been puppy instructor for several years now and many new puppies and their owners have been made welcome in his classes over the time by his warm, friendly manner, and given an excellent grounding in socialisation and obedience when they first joined the club.

Thank you Bruce for all the hard work.

Cath Davies

Our next profile is on Cath Davies, an unassuming long-time instructor who has also given many hours of her time to the club.

Cath joined the Geelong German Shepherd and Obedience Dog Club in 1972 with her young Border Collie X call "Maxie" and after training for some time together, they gained 2 passes towards G.D., the associate equivalent to C.D., before she turned to instructing in 1975. She has also worked on committees through the years and was a member of the Display Team at about the same time as Bruce and travelled many miles around the country with the rest of the team promoting Obedience to the public.

Along with husband, Eric, Cath attends club social functions, and works tirelessly at working B's and trials giving generously of her time always.

Cath, too, is a life member and was recently inducted into the fairly exclusive "25 Year member" group.

She is owned by Bobbie, a 10½ year old Border Collie who doesn't tolerate sharing his mother with other dogs, so he guards the home base while Cath continues to instruct and encourage people in her classes!

A great effort over the years - well done Cath and thanks for the friendship you have always extended to me.

Desma Dickeson

Assistant Training Supervisor



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A BUCKET AND SPADE

Is another piece of handy equipment placed strategically around the club's ground to pick up those little or big things that doggies do.

Those who use the clubs grounds would appreciate your efforts in making the effort to "pick up" those little or big things that doggies do whether in an open area, under a tree or in long grass with any one of the above items.

NEW COLUMNS

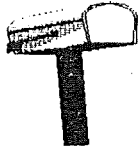
Letter To The Editor

There are often times when you would like to thank someone for an extra effort or a job well done and it is with this in mind that the Letter to the Editor Column has been added to the Newsletter. This is not a complaints column as these should be dealt with at an appropriate meeting. So if you want to show your appreciation or write on general interest subjects be ready for the next Newsletter.

For Sale/Wanted to Buy

This column is available to members who may have odd items at home they wish to sell or items they wish to buy. Ads will be restricted to 1/3 the width of a page and five lines deep and the cost will be \$2.00 per issue. We will not accept ads for puppy litters or rehousing dogs and the column is not for commercial use. Ads must bear the advertisers name and phone number.

Letters to the Editor and For Sale/Wanted to Buy ads can be handed to the Editor on training days or sent to the Club PO Box address (envelopes marked "Letter to the Editor"/"For Sale/Wanted to Buy")



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Postscript to "Letters to the Editor"

A P O L O G Y

At the time of writing my last letter I checked with the appropriate authorities as to Geelong members participating on the testing day, but alas we goofed!

Two other Geelong members successfully completed their "Canine Good Citizen" testing.

Susie Baird & Rasa
Mick Burns & Cujo

So please accept apologies for your omission from the last Newsletter and our congratulations

Elaine Longshaw

To the Editor
Geelong Obedience Dog Club
June 21, 1997

I wish to express my disappointment at a recent VCA sanctioned trial presentation.

Several Geelong Obedience Dog Club members gained passes, with one member obtaining a CDX title.

As I looked around I was saddened to see that a lot of our members (that unfortunately didn't receive a pass) had left and not shown their support by cheering on a fellow club person. it would be great to see at future events like this, if we all stayed to show our club unity.

Next time it might be you that gets a pass.

Leonie Kelleher.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

To Linda and John McKenna as son, *Joel Benjamin*, born on July 27th, 1997. A playmate for "Roxie".

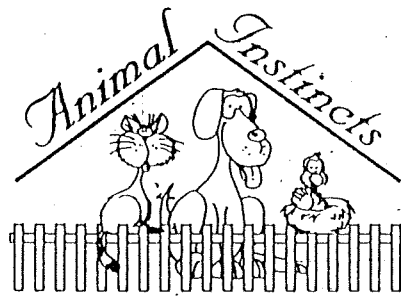
To Debbie and Keith Murray a son, *Jed Victor*, born on May 16, 1997. A brother for Ryan. "Brutus" now has two boys to watch over.

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THE ALPHA SYNDROME

How to ALPHAbetize yourself and help your dog regard you as Leader

By Terry Ryan

(Dog Obedience Instructor, The People-Pet Partnership, College of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University, Pullman WA)

If your dog is rather pushy and out of control, lacks respect for your point of view and doesn't mind letting you know about it, he or she could be showing signs of the ALPHA SYNDROME.

The Alpha Syndrome is at the root of many behaviour problems. In most cases, we are not really dealing with a problem dog but a problem environment or problem relationship between dog and owner. Dogs, just like their ancestor the wolf, need a leader. If the dog is not provided with appropriate guidance, if in the dog's opinion, you are not a worthy leader, your dog may try to take over and call the shots. In other words, your dog may be running for higher office.

The ALPHAbetizing plan will make an improvement on how your dog views the social hierarchy in your pack. This plan involves changing daily interactions with your dog. It does not resort to punishment and very few actual training exercises are used.

Implement as many of the concepts as you possibly can. Stay with it for several weeks. Your dog did not climb to the top of the totem pole overnight, therefore it may take a little time to change your pal's mind about things. As your dog becomes rehabilitated you may gradually phase out these corrective measures. Good luck and remember - dog ownership is not a democracy. Be firm, be patient, be consistent, but be ALPHA.

PLEASE NOTE; Professional help is recommended before attempting any type of behaviour modification with an aggressive dog.

LEADERS are Winners - Control the games, control the dog. Ordinarily tug-of-war games are inappropriate for a pushy dog. It may escalate assertiveness and when you let go, your dog considers it a win. An important message can be conveyed, however, if you play by these rules: Keep the game brief so your dog won't become overly excited. Be sure to WIN (have your dog release the toy to you) and while your dog is watching, put the toy away for the day, out of your dog's reach.

LIFE with your dog is not a Democracy - but please be a kind and gentle dictator! I'd like to think of it as a partnership, with you making the important decisions! To help explain this to your dog, for now, you get the bed! Your dog may sleep in your room at night, but until the behaviour problems resolve, not on your bed. Sleeping together in the bed makes you seem like a littermate, and equal. Besides, there have been MANY alpha confrontations regarding possession of resting areas!

TALK to your Veterinarian - About neutering or spaying your dog. Frequently this procedure has a positive impact on behaviour problems and your vet will explain numerous other benefits as well. A thorough examination is important to determine if your dog's misbehaviour is caused by a physical problem.

MUZZLE control is a naturally dominant gesture - Put your hand over the top of your dog's muzzle and gently hold it there for a few seconds. This can be a regular part of your petting and attention.

BELLY UP is a natural acceptance posture - Once a day, invite your dog over for a free belly rub. Show your pet how enjoyable this gesture of sub-ordination can be.

A FOLLOWER allows gentle handling - Have regular grooming sessions with your dog.

With your dog. With positive reinforcement gradually include sensitive spots, if any. Your goal is to have your dog relax and allow you to brush (or at least pet) the belly area.

DOWN is a subordinate position - Have your dog hold one 30 minute down stay per day. enforce it!! This can be done while you eat a meal or read the paper, but be sure you are in a position to help your dog stay down.

TRAIN don't complain - Give your dog 20 minutes of obedience training a day. Break it down into two or three sessions. Give a command, help your dog comply, praise for a job well done.

ALPHA owners are fun - Do some things you know your dog will enjoy, but you should remain in charge of these activities. For example, if your dog likes to retrieve, tell your pal to COME, help with compliance if necessary, and as a reward, play fetch. Help your dog release the object immediately on command. When play is over, praise and as the dog watches, put the object away.

LEADERS are Fair, Kind and Consistent - Be firm, but not harsh. Don't work with your dog if you lose your patience, but stay with it! The concept of an alpha owner will become clear to your dog with consistent repetition.

A LEADER must first get the follower's attention - Encourage eye contact several times a day. Call your dog's name, help the dog to make eye contact with you by tracing a line with your hand between your dog's face and yours. You can make your hand more interesting by holding a toy or other inducement. Even a one second glance should be reinforced with praise or a reward. You are setting up communication channels and a bond between you and your dog.

A LEADER must be dependable - Scheduled (rather than free choice) meals aid in housetraining problems and puts your dog in a position of dependence on you for food. Food is a primary reinforcer. Use it to your best advantage.

LEADERS eat first - If your meals coincide with the dog's scheduled meals, make it a point to feed the dog AFTER you have eaten. Dogs are nonverbal communicators, this is a statement. Remember the National Geographic specials! Which wolf eats first!

EARNING Praise and Treats - Stop all food treats and petting for your dog during this rehabilitation period EXCEPT what is earned by obeying a command. Examples: If you dog comes to you for attention, tell the dog to sit before petting. A brief heeling session can precede a treat. Don't worry, this is only a temporary measure until your dog's behaviour improves.

LEADERS got first - Don't allow your dog to charge in and out of an entry before you. At the door of your home, vehicle, or at a fence or gate, put your dog on a stay, go through first, then call the dog in or out.

THE LEADER controls territory - A follower yields to the leader. For instance, if your dog is lying down in a hallway and you wish to pass, MAKE YOUR DOG MOVE, don't step over or around.

LEADERS mean what they say - When giving your dog a command, don't beg or scream. Speak in low, firm tones. And remember, no matter how simple the command, give it only once and make sure to help your dog comply.

GENERAL MEETING

3 June 1997

Meeting opened at: 8.00pm

Apologies - A Pape, J Convery, C Davies, A Thorogood, B Thorogood, A Bartolo, L Waldron, L Kelleher.

Acc: J Ball Seconded: P Pope Carried

Minutes of the previous General Meeting as distributed in the Newsletter were taken as read

Acc: T Harvey Seconded: F Valastro Carried

Business arising from the Minutes

J Ball asked if the Canine Good Citizen test had been arranged. P Convery said a date in early August was to be confirmed.

Correspondence In W Bartels, P Pope, H Read re Fun Day, N & B Ivec, C of G G re rubbish removal, Thwaites re fund-raiser, Highton Veterinary Clinic re donation, VCA re Presidents & Secretaries conference, VCA re fixture dates, VCA re Amenities Building, M McNair

Correspondence Out VCA re information books, VCA re Club activities, Grovedale Hotel

Acc: F Valastro Seconded: P Pope Carried

Business arising from Correspondence

P Pope, M Mc Nair, Thwaites fund-raiser defer to General Business

C of G G re rubbish removal

As we deal with all our own rubbish there was little need for discussion.

VCA re Presidents & Secretaries conference - 5 August - 8 pm

P Convery asked if F Valastro could attend the conference in her place with A Pape as she would probably be in Brisbane. C Humphreys to chair General Meeting and J Convery to act as Secretary. Two items were suggested for the Conference Agenda.

1 H Read asked if we could place on the Agenda a request that Management act on items on the Agenda and that a result or outcome must be forwarded to all Clubs in attendance.

2 P Convery asked that the VCA reconsider the rule requiring all Trial Stewards to be VCA members as this was making it difficult for the Clubs to provide Stewards and did nothing to encourage the general members of the Club to become involved in Trialing.

VCA re Fixture Dates

P Convery asked on J Convery's behalf if the Club wished to apply for back-to-back Agility Trials for April/May 1999 and 2000 and to delete Agility from November's date as had been done in 1997. F Lehrmann moved 'that we apply for back-to-back Agility Trials in April 1999 and 2000 to be conducted as per 1997'.

Seconded: F Valastro Carried.

General Meeting - 3 June 1997

Treasurer's Report

As A Pape was absent due to illness, no report was available

Other Reports

Responsible Dog Ownership Tuesday 20 May

Meeting attended by D Dickeson, A Thorogood and F Lehrmann. D Dickeson written report attached.

State Environmental Meeting Wednesday 21 May

Meeting attended by F Valastro. Main point of environmental importance relating to the Club would be the loss of trees should the Rowing Complex go ahead

Social Secretary/Publicity Officer

P Pope wished to discuss Pie Drive in General Business.

Display Team

D Dickeson reported that the Cubs would be coming to the Club on Monday 16 June and that the Display team would be going to Belmont Primary School on 19 June.

Reports Acc: J Ball

Seconded: C Bartolo

Carried

General Business

1 P Pope re donation

In appreciation of the Club members support in recovering Whisky P Pope wished to donate a trophy and sash for the Highest Qualifying Scoring Geelong Member at our July Trial to be presented the following training day as per other awards. After some discussion T Harvey moved 'that we accept P Pope's offer of a perpetual trophy for the Highest Qualifying Scoring Geelong member at our July Trial.

Seconded: E Longshaw

Carried

2 M Mc Nair re J Bell trophy

After a lengthy discussion of M McNair's offer it was decided to give this matter further thought and to discuss it again at the next General Meeting in August.

x3 Thwaites Baker re fund-raiser

P Pope would like to go ahead with the Pie Drive as a major fund-raiser. C Humphreys asked what the proceeds would be used for and after some discussion P Pope moved 'that the Club run a Pie Drive and the proceeds go to the supply of new uniforms for the Display Team and if possible a roving microphone'.

Seconded: H Read

Carried

4 P Convery moved 'that we accept all new members from 2 March to 1 June and their names be added to the members roll'.

5 P Convery moved 'that a donation of \$100.00 be sent to the National Heart Foundation in memory of John Bell.

Seconded: F Lehrmann

Carried

6 P Convery requested permission to investigate a Microchipping Day for the Club.

General Meeting - 3 June 1997

H Read moved 'that we contact the VCA and offer the Club's facilities for a VCA Microchipping Day at Geelong.

Seconded: P Pope

Carried

7 P Convery moved 'that we reduce correspondence and receipts folders to 5 years storage instead of 10 in line with Incorporation and VCA regulations. Also to instigate an Archives folder to store any items of historical value to the Club'.

Seconded: E Longshaw

Carried

8 Puppy Kinder

P Convery reported on the Committee's recommendation to conduct a Puppy Kinder at the Club. After discussion F Lehrmann moved 'that the Committee's recommendation be adopted'.

Seconded: J Ball

Carried

P Pope moved 'that we purchase the Puppy manual from Joan Bell as suggested'.

Seconded: F Lehrmann

Carried

9 After talking to the Ranger, F Lehrmann raised discussion regarding the Council's inability to scan dogs who had been killed on the road for Microchip details due to the lack of a scanner. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Council suggesting they scan the dogs at the nearest vet otherwise Microchipping is ineffective. F Valastro suggested we notify the Council of scanner locations.

10 J Ball informed the meeting of our Internet Page and its contents

11 P McCormack moved 'that a sensor light be attached to the west wall of the building where suitable as soon as possible.

Seconded: P Pope

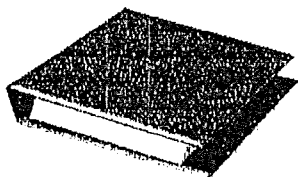
Carried.

12 P Convery informed the meeting that Wendy Ganly had offered to take the position of Newsletter Editor. Meeting agreed.

13 T Harvey congratulated the Trial Secretary on the running of the back-to-back Agility Trial, but expressed disappointment that all the Committee had not been involved.

As there was no further business

Meeting closed at: 9.30pm



BOOK REVIEW

By Elaine Longshaw

Some members may be interested in a book obtainable through the Geelong Regional Library titled -

"The Dog Who Loved Too Much".

Ref. 636.70887 DOD

It is a very informative book dealing with Tales, treatments and Psychology of Dogs, written by Dr Nicholas Dodman, BVMS, MRCVS., a professor of behavioural pharmacology at Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine and Director of the Behaviour Clinic.

The chapter dealing with Thunder Storms offers more enlightenment than the very many other publications dealing with this subject, and is especially interesting where it relates to late age onset in a great percentage of cases.

In all it is a well written and easily read book that would be a handy read for the Veterinary profession, instructors and the rest of us who all have a specific problem with the dogs we live with and deal with:



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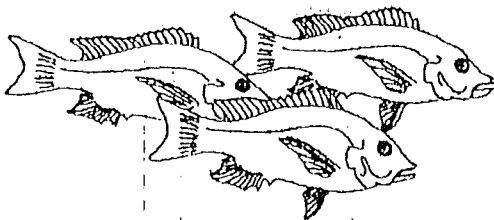
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DOG CHALLENGE OR ATTACK - WHAT TO DO

ATTACK BY A DOG ON A PERSON

Stop. Turn sideways from the dog. Don't face head on or look the dog in the eye. Don't run or **SCREAM**

Try to control dog by sternly saying - No, Down or Go Home.

If you have something in your hand, get it between the dog and you and use it as a bite object, eg umbrella or a bag.

Do NOT freeze. Start to back away slowly. You should be able to move slowly out of the dogs territory if it is not trained as a guard dog. If it is trained as a guard dog it is most likely to intensify its challenge until you stop and then not make further advance until its handler arrives.

Talk to the dog in a low and calming voice as you retreat.

If you have a child with you **DO NOT** pick it up as the dog may think you are harming him or her. Keep the child behind you.

If a dog leaps at you, don't turn your back and scream.

Cover your face and neck with your hands and arms and face it. Bring your knee into the dog's chest.

Never lie down if attacked, but if knocked down, curl in a foetal position, cover your neck and face with your arms and remain still.

If bitten: Wash and disinfect the area as soon as possible. See a doctor immediately.

Notify your local council office with relevant information as soon as possible after the incident.

Type, size and colour of the dog

Any identifying collar, tags the dog was wearing

Time and location of the incident

The direction the dog took when it ran off.

DOG FIGHTS

Never attempt to end a dog fight on your own. Two people are needed plus strength and agility.

Do NOT approach the "BUSINESS" end of either dog. One person should approach each fighting dog from the rear.

Grab the tail or hind legs of each dog and lift them from the ground. Each dog should then release its grip and they should be easily parted.

Retreat from the attacking dog, as discussed if challenged.

CERTIFICATE PASSES

13 July 1997

Beginners Certificate

Elizabeth Broadfoot & "Bronte"	Scott Bloodworth & "Ned"	Sarah Radpath & "Jensen"
Trish McNamara & "Stubbie"	Glenn Voysey & "Blaze"	Joyce Laidlaw & "Scruffy"
Victor Douglas & "Sasha"	Tanya Jessen & "Mitch"	Murray Grills & "Kara"
Gowan Cooke & "Beaudiza"	Pamela Raine & "Emily"	Jane Wheeler & "Indiana"
Karen Wood & "Maddison"	Paula Bloodworth & "Bella"	Veronica Szocs & "Muffin"
Margaret Panasewycz & "Stoli"	Julie Devlin & "Angel"	Darryl Squire & "Pye"
Lisa Smith & "Chess"	Geanette Hewitt & "Basil"	Andrew Wallace & "Misty"
Greg Pohlner & "Ebony"	Louise Robinson & "Stobar Pieter 'A'Z"	

Merit Obedience

Helen Green & "Mitzi"	Kim Wood & "Jemma"	Dianne Miller & "Sally"
Wendy Mitchell & "Cody"	Susie Baird & "Jahzorn Brilliant n Blue - Rasa"	
Wayne Beattie & "Brody"	Nathan Mayes & "China"	Rebecca Bohling & "Zac"

Basic Obedience

Jo-Anne Hamilton & "Benton"	Chris Meesen & "Tiger"	Jeff Hutchison & "Misty"
Coral Milligan & "Nelson"	Libby Hotchin & "Sorcha"	Mick Burns & "Cujo"

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Who could have guessed, 3 years ago, when I walked into the pet shop and saw a 4 month old black and tan puppy squeezed into a tiny pen, that we would end up here? Certainly not me!

Sharne has grown into an affectionate dog with a wonderful temperament. She has been simply a dream to train. Always quick to learn and wanting to please.

She is a terrific companion, always only a few feet behind when working around the house and is always patient with my two boys. Who could ask for more?

I have a few people to thank for helping us through the training. Thank you to Jenny who started off our training and to Fred and Angie for helping us polish up our act. I'd also like to thank all the Trialers for their support and words of encouragement.

Now the training starts again!

Congratulations Tina and Sharne.

LATE CERTIFICATE PASS - EARNED AT TRIAL

Elaine Longshaw and "Dobeheer Dark n Devine - Basic Certificate

GEELONG MEMBERS TRIAL AWARDS

Highest Qualifying Geelong Member

Bill Laing	Rangerover Laing CDX	Assoc.	195 pts
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Highest Qualifying Novice

Janelle/Pam Convery	Diogenes Jackpot	Golden Retriever	185 pts
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Highest Qualifying Open

Helen Read	Ormslee Austral Abbot (A) CDX	Rottweiler	189 pts
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Highest Qualifying Utility

Bill Laing	Rangerover Laing CDX	Assoc.	195 pts
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TITBITS FROM THE TRIAL

A life members was heard to say she would like another baby. What has been going on in the Gaylard household. We didn't know about the first!!!!

Which Committee member's wife spent all afternoon sitting in the dog run waiting for said member to return? Seems member's wife locked herself out of the house, car keys inside and too far from a phone to ring for rescue. What a way to spend your birthday, Margaret!!

TRIAL RESULTS

Agility

Canberra (ACT)

Open

★ J & AM Corrigan	★ Kurrawa Mia Casen CDX AD (Jake) Border Collie	★ 3rd Pass ADX	★
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First GODC Inc member to gain their ADX title

Sunbury Obedience Dog Club

Novice

T Harvey	Our Sal CD (Sally) Associate	1st Pass
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T Camm	Simply Sharne CDX (Sharne) Associate	1st Pass
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Open

J & AM Corrigan	Kurrawa Mia Casen CDX ADX (Jake) Border Collie	Pass
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Obedience

Altona Obedience Dog Club

Encouragement

L Marfatia	Jeerawindra Bossanova (Indy) Golden Retriever	Pass
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Novice

J Quinn	Breebaron Hy Season (Elsa) German Shepherd Dog	1st Pass
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S Welsh	Tornadic Mindi Miss (Mindi) Welsh Corgi (Pembroke)	2nd Pass
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Open

★ T Camm	★ Simply Sharne CD (Sharne) Associate	★ 3rd Pass CDX	★
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Gippsland Obedience Dog Club

Open

H Read	Ormslee Austral Abbot CDX (Abbot) Rottweiler	Pass
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Broadmeadows Obedience Dog Club

Novice

J Blonk	Valenitar Ruby Valley (Tilly) Poodle (Miniature)	1st Pass
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TRIAL RESULTS (con't)

S Noblett	Kumbirra Justa Jester (Jester)	2nd Pass
	<i>Shetland Sheepdog</i>	

German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria (Ballarat)

Encouragement

R Bohling	Zac Bohling (Zac)	Pass
	<i>Associate</i>	

Novice

★ S Noblett	★ Kumbirra Justa Jester (Jester)	★ 3rd Pass CD ★
	<i>Shetland Sheepdog</i>	
J Quinn	Breebaron Hy Season (Elsa)	2nd Pass
	<i>German Shepherd Dog</i>	

GEELONG.....GEEELONG.....GEEELONG

Encouragement

B Mackey	Jessie Mackey (Jessie)	3rd Place
	<i>Associate</i>	

Novice

S Noblett	Kumbirra Justa Jester (Jester)	Pass
	<i>Shetland Sheepdog</i>	

A Trueman	Kirrimist Dark Intrigue (Toby)	1st Pass
	<i>Shetland Sheepdog</i>	

J & P Convery	Diogenes Jackpot (Toby)	2nd Pass
	<i>Golden Retriever</i>	

★ S Welsh	★ Tornadic Mindi Miss (Mindi)	★ 3rd Place ★
	<i>Welsh Corgi (Pembroke)</i>	
★ J Quinn	★ Breebaron Hy Season (Elsa)	★ 3rd Pass CD ★
	<i>German Shepherd Dog</i>	

Open

H Read	Ormslee Austral Abbot (AI) CDX (Abbot)	Pass
	<i>Rottweiler</i>	

★ V Moeller	★ Ormslee Austral Amigo (AI) CD (Saxon)	★ 3rd Pass CDX ★
	<i>Rottweiler</i>	
		1st Place

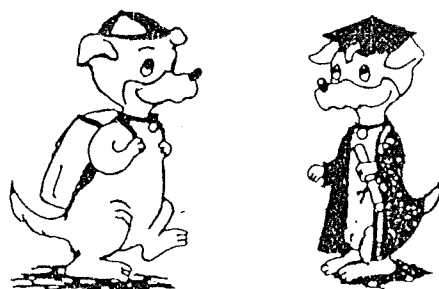
Utility

B Laing	Rangerover Laing CDX (Rover)	1st Pass
	<i>Associate</i>	1st Place

Endurance

Adelaide

★ J & AM Corrigan	★ Kurrawa Mia Casen CDX ADX (Jake)	★ Pass ET ★
	<i>Border Collie</i>	



GENERAL MEETINGS
commence at 8pm, unless otherwise
advised. ALL attendees are
requested to contribute to the supper
table, otherwise you will be
relegated to kitchen duties!

Club Calendar

Thur	31 July	Membership Renewal Closes
Sunday	3 Aug	Puppy Intake
		Class 1 Intake
Tuesday	5 Aug	General Meeting
Saturday	16 Aug	Canine Good Citizen Test
Sunday	17 Aug	Puppy Intake
Mon	25 Aug	Instructors Meeting
		Nomination Night for -
		Training Supervisor &
		2 Ass Training Supervisors
Sunday	31 Aug	Puppy Intake
		Class 1 Intake
Tuesday	2 Sept	Committee Meeting
Sunday	7 Sept	Father's Day
Wednesday	10 Sept	Newsletter Closing Date
Friday	12 Sept	Proposed date for:
		Committee & Instructors Dinner
Sunday	14 Sept	Puppy Intake
Tuesday	16 Sept	Committee Nominations Close
Monday	22 Sept	Instructors Meeting &
		Election Night
Thursday	28 Sept	Promotion Day &
		Distribution of Newsletter
Tuesday	30 Sept	Nominations for Life Membership
		Closes

Obedience & Agility Trial Calendar

	<i>Closing</i>	<i>Actual</i>
Agility		
Moorabbin & Dist Obedience Dog & Training Club	Closed	2/8/97
Wangaratta Kennel & Obedience Dog Club	6/8/97	23/8/97
Ovens Valley Canine Club	6/8/97	24/8/97
Northern Suburbs Obedience Dog Club	1/9/97	14/9/97
Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria --	Thursday September 18 - Sunday September 28	

Obedience

Shepparton & Dist Obedience Dog Club		3/8/97
Red Cliffs District Kennel Club Inc		9/8/97
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Victoria (Restricted)		9/8/97
Red Cliffs Ladies Kennel & Obedience Club Inc		10/8/97
Bendigo Obedience Dog Club Inc	3/8/97	17/8/97
Western Port Obedience Dog Club Inc	17/8/97	30/8/97
Moorabbin & Dist Obedience Dog Training Club	10/8/97	31/8/97
Sunbury & Dist Obedience Dog Club	22/8/97	
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GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

to be held

TUESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 1997

8 pm

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NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

Included with this Newsletter is the notice for our Annual General Meeting and Nomination forms to nominate or be nominated for the Committee positions as described below. All Committee positions become vacant at the AGM and those current Committee members wishing to re-stand must be nominated again. Nominations close on Tuesday 16 September. Nomination forms to be completed correctly and placed in the ballot box in the Clubrooms prior to that date.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President

2 x Vice-Presidents

Secretary

Treasurer

Trial Secretary/Assistant Secretary

GENERAL COMMITTEE

There are six (6) General Committee vacancies for which you can nominate, but at the first meeting of the new Committee each of those members **must** be prepared to accept one of the following positions.

Canteen Manager

Hall Manager

Publicity Officer

Social Secretary

Assistant Hall Manager

Grounds Manager

Position descriptions are available from the Office for most positions

Nominations are also called for **Life Membership of the Club**. If there is someone you think is worthy of Life Membership who meets the criteria, write a brief resume and hand it, in a sealed envelope addressed to "The Chairperson, Life Membership Sub-Committee, to the Secretary, no later than Tuesday 30 September.

Life Membership Criteria - 'Any person, after a period of 5 years continuous membership may be appointed as a Life Member of the Club in recognition of services rendered to the Club, however under exceptional circumstances the 5 year period may be waived'.

NOMINATION FORM

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MEMBERS CAN COMPLETE ONE OR ALL OF THE ABOVE NOMINATION SLIPS, BUT REMEMBER IF THEY ARE NOT FILLED IN COMPLETELY THEY WILL BE INVALID. THE SEPTEMBER 14 RETURN DATE IS 21 DAYS PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AS PER INCORPORATION RULES.
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