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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.

Due to illness I have been unable to submit a report at this time.

#### **Anton Pape**

#### DISPLAY TEAM

A short report this time - we went to Leopold Arts and Crafts Fair on 30th August - a disappointing outing this year as there was little thought given by organizers re the area we were to work in and surrounds. We were given a very small uneven patch of ground to display in with a noisy refrigerated truck on one side and equally noisy dodgem cars on the other to contend with, making it very hard for the team to hear me at all - some would say that's a blessing!!

Although we took our agility gear it was impossible to use due to the uneven surface. Despite this, the team worked well and we had an excellent audience - a pity they also had trouble hearing the explanations of the various exercises given by Leonie!

Gala Day is just approaching (31 October) and the theme is "Towards 2000." We would like as many members as possible to join us in the parade to help promote responsible dog ownership. During the next few weeks there will be more given to the classes on this outing so LISTEN UP!!

Desma Dickeson Team Manager

#### CANTEEN MANAGER

I would like to say thank you to all the members who helped with the canteen casseroles and cakes on the day of the Obedience trial and especially to the helpers on the day Peg Pope, Cath Davies, Margaret Bennett, Alice Davies and daughter Leanne and my daughter Rowina.

The Canteen ran smoothly with only a few minor hiccups eg. how to keep food hot. If we are here next year could I make a suggestion that we ask if casseroles could be more liquid as with our limited facilities it is much easier to reheat and keep in the Bain Marie.

The total cost of providing a 3 course luncheon and afternoon tea for approximately 60 judges stewards and helpers plus 1 hungry famished little St John Ambulance officer was \$222.25. Canteen sales through the window for coffee tea etc., B.B.Q., soup etc was \$379.85.

A most successful and happy day from this side of the trailing ring.

Pat McCormack

# REPORTS - REPORTS - REPORTS ... cont

#### **GROUNDS MANAGER**

Well folks there is not much to report. Not much grass has grown due to the dry weather up till now. I like to thank those people that got the ground ready for our July trial while I was enjoying a break in Germany. I believe that once again the Council fell flat on its face with help, so members had to do the trimming of the trial rings.

I noticed a drop in the number of doggy-doos left on the ground, "Good on Ya" keep on using the buckets, its for the benefit to all of us to have a clean ground.

What worries me is the speed some members drive in and out. 8km is the <u>max</u>, especially in wet conditions, or we might have to put more bumps or drains in to slow it down before we face an accident. So please ease off!

The bottles/jars and ali cans are coming in nicely, just keep dropping them into our recycling compound at the bottom of the car park behind the B-B-Q.

Thanks

#### Fred Lehramm

# SOCIAL CO-ORDINATOR AND PUBLICITY OFFICER

Our Pie Drive was a financial success, total sales coming to \$2,214.30 giving us a profit of \$403.00, slightly less than the 20% we had been led to believe would be our share.

I say "Thank You" to the members who were prepared to harass their families, friends and neighbours into buying pies. Also a big Thank You to the 8 members who were here at 8.00am to pack the orders.

\$403.00 will not be enough to cover the cost of all the uniforms needed for the display team, but I hope to have another fund raiser later in the year, for sweets, which sell at a better price, just \$2.00 and \$3.00, out of which we would receive 33%.

The Club's CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held in the club house on November 29th commencing at 7.30pm . The cost is \$12.00 per person and BYO Drinks. Why not make up a table with some of your Class Mates

The Club's SWEET DRIVE orders are to be returned on Octber 5, 1997

Peg Pope

#### TRIAL-RESULTS --

Agility

Ovens Valley Obedience Club

Open

J & A M Corrigan

Kurrawa Mia Casen CDX ADX ET "Jake"

Pass

Border Collie

Obedience

Bendigo Obedience Dog Club

Novice

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(Not Supplied) "Nina"

Border Collie

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3rd Pass CD 3rd Place

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Wangaratta Ohedience Dog Club

Utility

J & A M Corrigan

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Kurrawa Mia Casen CDX ADX ET "Jake"

Border Collie

3rd Pass UD 1st Place



Ovens Valley Obedience Dog Club

**Utility** 

J & A M Corrigan

Kurrawa Mia Casen UD ADX ET "Jake"

Border Collie

Pass

2nd-Place

Moorabin Obedience Dog Club

Encouragement

B Mackey

Jessie Mackey "Jessie"

Pass

Associate

Sunbury Obedience Dog Club

Novice

A Pescott

Morgan "Morgan"

Associate

1st Pass

3rd Place

**Titbits** 

Who was the member who went to Sunbury's Trial via

Daylesford.....?

Clues - has a 4 wheel drive and lots of Black and Tan

dogs!!!!!!!

# Geelong Canine Good Citizen

# 16 August 1997

#### Passes

Michael Foord
Jo-Anne Hamilton

Jo-Anne Hamilton

Angie Trueman

Moira McLachlan Rose Stephens

Jenny Travers

Angie Bloomer

Leonie Kelleher

Janelle Convery

Trish Gavaghan

Floyd

Nyrrae Royal Rascal

Kirramist Dark Intrigue

Jayshell Designer Genes

Sahara

Kirra CD

Leberfell Montana CDX

Shadow CD

Diogenes Jackpot

Holly

Aust Cattle Dog

Golden Retriever

Shetland Sheepdog

GSD

Golden Retriever

Dobermann

**GSP** 

Labrador/Kelpie X

Golden Retriever

Border Collie

So ...... You would like to try for your Geelong Canine Good Citizen!

Twelve of our members set off on the 16th August hoping to successfully pass all the elements of this test..

The day was warm and we began, expecting the unexpected. The Canine Good Citizen is not like your Club obedience test but is a test that challenges your day to day life with your 4 legged friend and can include clanging supermarket trolleys, barking dogs, a pretend visit to the vet and meeting a stranger in the street, all of which are designed to test how well your dog copes with everyday life.

Most of our Club members were successful on the day but a few need to brush up on their social skills (the dogs that is), but better luck next time.

Thanks to Bellarine Dog Activities Group members and Geelong Obedience Dog Club members for their help on the day, it was a most enjoyable long......walk. Our Club will be running another in the near future so listen to Announcements for details. However, remember, you and your companion must be in Class 2 or higher to take part. If you would like to know more please speak with the Office workers!

Leonie Kelleher.

#### GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB (INCORPORATED)

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

# The objects of the Geelong Obedience Dog Club Incorporated are:

- (a) to affiliate with The Kennel Control Council
- (b) to promote and raise the standards and exhibition of registered pure bred dogs and Associate Registered dogs.
- (c) to promote the holding of Exhibitions under the KCC Rules and Regulations and to conduct Exhibitions and/or to promote Obedience training and to conduct Obedience Trials, Tracking Tests and Field Trials.
- (d) to foster, promote and protect the interest of exhibitors of dogs at exhibitions
- (e) to collect, verify and publish information relating to dogs and the breeding, exhibition and training of dogs
- (f) to educate and encourage members, breeders and judges to abide by the requirements and standards approved by The Kennel Control Council for the conduct of Exhibitions and Shows
- (g) to promote good fellowship and sportsmanship amongst members and those participating in or attending at Exhibitions and Shows\_\_\_\_\_
- (h) to inform members of and make known to them the Laws and Regulations of the State relating to the ownership and care of dogs, and the responsibility of owners for the conduct and actions of their dogs
- (i) to hold functions and lectures relating to dogs and to the purposes of the Club generally
- (j) to provide awards and donate prizes for competition at Exhibitions and for the competition by breeders and exhibitors of dogs
- (k) to foster relations with other Clubs and bodies having similar aims
- (1) to promote and assist worth causes, as agreed at a General Meeting of the members of the Club
- (m) to invest the funds of the Club not immediately required in such a manner as the members/or the Committee in lieu thereof shall determine
- (n) to purchase, hire, lease, etc and do such things as are conducive or incidental to promoting and achieving the purposes of the Club
- (o) to carry on such other activities or promote or encourage interest in the breeding, upkeep and training of and the general well-being and improvement of dogs

.....and to do all such other things as may be necessary or conducive to carrying out the objects of the Club.

"ALL REFERENCE TO KENNEL CONTROL COUNCIL BECOMES VICTORIAN CANINE ASSOCIATION" (MOTION 90)

#### CLUB CALENDAR

			ODOD OI III MINDIA
WHAT'S	Tues Sun Tue Sun Mon	30 Sept 5 Oct 7 Oct 19 Oct 27 Oct	Life Members nominations close Puppy & Class 1 - Intake ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Puppy Intake Instructors meeting
<i>₩</i>	Sun	27 Oct 2 Nov	Puppy & Class 1 - Intake
	Tues	4 Nov	Committee Meeting
	Mon	10 Nov	Entries Close for the
	MOIL	10 1101	Open Obedience Trial
	Wed	12 Nov	Newsletter Closing Date
	Sat	15 Nov	Trial Working Bee:-
	541	13 1101	To be confirmed
GENERAL MEETINGS	Sun	16 Nov	Puppy Intake
commence at 8pm unless otherwise	Mon	17 Nov	Instructor's Meeting
advised. ALL attendees are requested to	Sat	22 Nov	Trial Working bee:-
contribute to the supper table, otherwise	Sur	221101	to be confirmed
you will be relegated to kitchen duties	Sun	23 Nov	Open Obedience Trial
	o un	20 1101	NO TRAINING
** EXTRA EXTRA EXTRA **	Sun	30 Nov	Newsletter Distribution - Elsa Dahl
D2CTIQ CD2CTIQ CD2CTIQ C			Award - Committee/Instructor of
Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc			the Year - and all Trial awards
			Puppy & Class 1 Intake
OPEN OBEDIENCE TRIAL	Tue	2 Dec	General Meeting
G 1 00407 1 1007	Sun	7 Dec	Promotion Day
Sunday, 30th November, 1997	Sun	14 Dec	Last day of Training for the Year
AGILITY			Closing Actual
Southern Obedience Dog Club			
Australian Kelpie Club			
Altona Civic Obedience Dog Club			5.10.9710.10.97
Gisborne & District Obedience Dog Club			
			8.10.9726.10.97
Working Dog Club			
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#### GENERAL MEETING

19 August 1997

Re-scheduled meeting from 5 August 1997 due to lack of sufficient members to form a quorum.

Meeting opened at: 8.04pm

Apologies - F Valastro, L Gaylard, A Bartolo, M Clarke, L Waldron, M McNair, B

Thorogood, A Thorogood

Acc: D Dickeson

Seconded: L Kelleher

Carried

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

Acc: T Harvey

Seconded: J Brophy

Carried

#### Business arising from the Minutes

M McNair re J Bell's trophy defer to General Business

Microchipping Day defer to General Business

Sensor light - It was agreed that the sensor light on the west side of the building was a definate improvement. Special thanks to Bronc Ivec for organising and installing the light.

Correspondence In M McNair deferred from previous meeting, Leopold Primary School Art and Craft Fair, Heart Foundation, G A W S, Australian Flyball Association, Moke Manor, Royal Agricultural Society, VCA re Microchipping Day, Clive Makepeace, Eileen Tomkins, Karen Damari, W Laing, I Bell. C of GG re lease, Homark Pty Ltd, C of GG re debt reduction, C of G G re Rowing and Watersports Complex, C of GG re grounds application.

Correspondence Out VCA re Agenda Items Presidents & Sec Conference, VCA re Microchipping, Steve Nelson, Rudducks re Sponsorship, VCA re fixture date changes, National Heart Foundation, S Fox from Watersports Sub-Committee, W Allen from Watersports Sub-Committee.

Acc: C Bartolo

Seconded: P Bergin

Carried

#### Business arising from Correspondence

Australian Flyball Association, Royal Agricultural Society, Karen Damari, Homark Pty Ltd. All tabled for members to read.

Moke Manor - Meeting suggested that Moke Manor be advised of advertising rates in Newsletter.

VCA re Microchipping. After some discussion re suitable dates, VCA to be advised of the following suggestions - 11 Oct 1997, 25 Oct 1997, 14 Feb 1998, 21 Feb 1998.

Clive Makepeace - Letter re competitors being able to request particular Judges at Trials without reason was discussed and general feeling was that this was unworkable

#### General Meeting - 19 August 1997

both from a Club and a Trial Secretary's point of view. Further discussion deferred until outcome of President's and Secretary's conference confirmed.

#### Treasurer's Report

J Ball read report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment Moved: C Humphreys Seconded: L Kelleher Carried

Other Reports

Canteen Manager - P McCormack read report from Trial. Written report attached.

Assistant Hall Manager/Asistant Training Supervisor/Display Team Leader - Verbal report given. D Dickeson was thanked for her efforts while the Hall Manager and Training Supervisor were away.

Assistant Grounds Manager - As F Valastro was unavailable and F Lehrmann had just returned from Germany, no report was available.

Trial Secretary - J Convery reported on Trial. Written report attached.

Social Secretary/Publicity Officer - P Pope reported on Pie Drive. Profit was \$403.00. Written report attached.

Raffle Steward - M Foord read report of Raffle sales. Copy attached...

Reports Acc: L Kelleher Seconded: C Davies Carried

#### General Business

- 1 As M McNair was unable to attend this meeting, discussion re J Bell trophy was deferred to the next General Meeting.
- 2 P Convery moved 'that we accept new members from the 1 June to August 3 and add their names to the Members Roll'.

Seconded: C Humphreys

Carried

- 3 W Ganly's request for a Newsletter printing sub-committee was deferred to the next General Meeting when the new Committee is elected.
- 4 L Kelleher moved 'that she would like to see that at each Instructors meeting there is a half hour practical session, preferably at the beginning of each meeting'.

  Seconded: D Dickeson Carried
- 5 D Dickeson asked if John Peoples could be contacted with regard to the truck for the Gala Procession. P Convery to contact.
- 6 W Ganly said that she would like to resign from the Shop Managers position as she would like to concentrate on Instructing. Request for new Shop Manager to be added to Announcement sheet.

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7 Discussion was raised regarding the purchase of new books for the Library after a selection from Paws in Print was seen at Moorabin's Trial. P Bergin suggested that it was time to do some selective pruning as many books were old and seldom taken out. J Convery moved 'that approximately \$500.00 be set aside for the purchase of new Library books'.

Seconded: P Bergin

Carried

8 A Pape spoke on the situation with the Canteen Account. He felt that it was unsatisfactory for the Canteen Manager to be carrying signed cheques as the present system requires 2 Executive members to sign. After some discussion J Ball moved 'that the Canteen Manager be empowered to counter sign cheques.

Seconded: C Davies

- 9 T Harvey asked what response the items submitted by GODC to the President's and Secretary's Conference had received. C Humphreys reported that both items had been referred to Management for further discussion.
- 10 J Convery asked if new batteries could be purchased for the video camera as she had tried to use the camera for the Trial but had a problem with the batteries leaking. It was suggested that the present batteries be taken to the Geelong Shavers Shop to see if they could be rebuilt but failing that J Convery moved 'that we purchase two new batteries for the Video Camera'.

Seconded: F Lehrmann

Carried

- 11 A Pape thanked the General members for their support of the Committee and also thanked the Committee members for their time and effort.
- 12 H Read raised discussion regarding members who wished to stand for Executive Committee positions but did not have any other reason to become VCA members. After a lengthy discussion, J Hamilton moved 'that a member of the Executive Committee, who must be a VCA member during their term, be offered the equivalent of a VCA membership renewal by the Club.

Seconded: L Kelleher

Carried.

As there was no further business

Meeting closed at: 9.45pm

OBEDIENCE/cont	Actual
Altona Civic Obedience Dog Club	19.10.97
Gisborne & District Obedience Dog Club	26.10.97
Eastern Suburbs Obedience Dog Club	2.11.97
Sherbrooke Obedience Dog Club	4.11.97
Stief of Ooke Obediefice Dog Oldo	Cup Day
Bairnsdale Dog Obedience Club	8.10.97
Gippsland Obedience dog Club	9.10.97
BallAarat &District Obedience Dog Club	16.11.97
Sherbrooke Obedience Dog Club	16.11.97
Southern Obedience Dog Club 8.11.97	22.11.97
Southern Obedictice Dog Thanking Class	Twilight

# HOW OLD IS MY PET?

There are many rules to age our pets. The most common being One dog year equals Seven human years, this however does not take into account the rapid growth of young animals and the following chart is a better guide.



1 Year = 2 Years = 3 Years = 4 Years = 5 Years = 6 Years = 10 Years = 12 Years = 14 Years = 18 Years = 18 Years = 15 Years = 18 Years = 15 Year

15 Human Years
23 Human Years
27 Human Years
31 Human Years
35 Human Years
39 Human Years
47 Human Years
56 Human Years
65 Human Years
75 Human Years
86 Human Years

Werribee Obedience Dog Club Inc Werribee Wagger, August 1997





1ST PRIZE

6 MONTHS SUPPLY OF;

# 2ND PRIZE

3 MONTHS SUPPLY OF;

3RD PRIZE

2 MONTHS SUPPLY OF;

# TROPHY

Premium Quality Dog Food & Healthcare System.

MRS MS MR :		Ph: 52
Address:		
Dog's Name: Breed:	Dog's Name: Breed:	
Present Dog Food:  Trophy Premium	☐Imported Premium	☐Supermarket food
Other(A Deposit this entry form in the 'Competition'	ll entries will recieve 25 Box' at Californian or P	5% OFF first months service) ost to; 1 Hays Place Geelong.
Conditions apply; entries open to Californian Ge- Members PRIZE DRAWN 31/10/5	. Da sustamore and l	Goelong Obedience Dog Club



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Obedience Trials - Presentations - All clubs

Attending Trials over the last few years, discontent amongst trialers being asked to wait up to 2½ hours (after competing) for presentations is prevalent.

In some instances UD & Open Rings can take up to 1 hour <u>after</u> other rings have finished. This is followed with the processing of results then the meal.

In fairness to All could the following points be considered:-

- 1. As each Ring finishes results are collated and processed immediately.
- 2. Judges and Stewards take only a short break? say! 30 mins whilst last results are being processed.
- 3. Presentations be made prior to Judges and Stewards having their meal:-
  - (a) this will eliminate pressure on meal time etc..
  - (b) Competitors (which Av. 80-100%) often have travelled long distances, can head for home at a more "Civilized" hour.

Last but not least! This would encourage members to remain at Trial presentations and give Their Trialing Club Members more Support.

Pat McCormack Trialer



## ROBIN AVENUE PET SUPPLIES

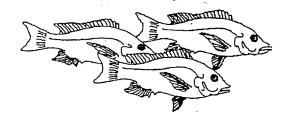
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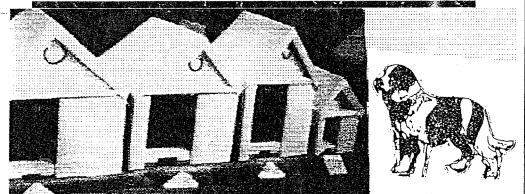
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OF KENNELS

CHARLIE BARTOLO

PH:(03)52418153

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#### 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")

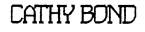
#### GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC

\*\*OPEN OBEDIENCE TRIAL \*\*
See VicDog Gazette, October Issue for Schedule

#### SUNDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1997

This day is one of many that club members, interested in Trialing, attend throughout the year. It's a special day because they are going to be in familiar surroundings and don't have to get up extra early in the morning to travel many miles. Some of the members could be waiting for that all important 3rd Pass to obtain thier Title, some could be trying again for the umpteenth time to get thier 1rst pass in the ring, but, whatever the reason, it's still a special day.

For our Trial Secretary, Canteen Manager, Grounds Manager and other Committee Members, it is a time when a lot of things have to be done only a few weeks before the trial as a Trial just doesn't happen. It is at this time the Committee call upon *You* as a Club Member to come and help in any way possible so as to enable the Trial to run a smoothly as possible.



owned by Ruff, is now minus her Crowning Glory. Cathy gave up her locks in aid of *Cancer for Kids* on Thursday, September 18 at the Nelson Park School. If you see Cathy around the grounds, (you can't miss her, she'll be the only female wearing a hat and scarf to cover her

**BALD HEAD)**, show her that you support what she did by sponsoring her. There are forms in the Dog Shop or see Cathy personally.

#### ADVERTISING RATES AS FROM MARCH 1993:

All advertisements will be restricted to Half A4 page size with a limit of 12 advertisements per issue.

12 months \$75.00 6 months \$50.00 1 edition \$25.00

Half page 'Vale Notices" and "Title Notices" are free with the owner supplying the print.

Advertising copy is accepted at the discretion of the Club Committe

#### DOG LOAF

from New Zealand Kennel Gazette, June 1997

2 litres water

2 cups brown rice

2 large potatoes

2 large carrots

½ kg pumpkin

2 good sized cloves of garlic

bunch silver beet

1 cup wholemeal pasta

2 cups rolled oats

1 cup wholemeal flour

3 eggs

herbs

3 tbls olive oil

Coarsely chop vegetables into chunks, leaving skin on if possible.

In a very large pot:

Boil rice in water 10 minutes, add vegies and pasta to rice and continue cooking about 10-15 minutes.

Take off heat, add mince, eggs, chopped herbs, rolled oats and flour, mix well.

If too moist add more oats. Mixture should be somewhat like a fruit cake mixture.

Spoon into oiled and floured roasting dish, push down with the back of the spoon and cook in oven at 180 degrees for 45 to 60 minutes.

Let cool slightly and turn into an oiled oven tray and return to the oven for about 10 minutes to firm bottom of loaf.

When cold, cut into sections and wrap in film and freeze if needed.

[Those with bigger type dogs or more than one dog can just put the blocks into the fridge]

#### DOG SALAD

Finely cut up dandelion leaves, silverbeat and rosemary, grate in plenty of carrot and a little cheese, sprinkle on wheatgerm and finely chopped garlic and serve with the dog's tea of dog roll, dry food, etc.. This seem to eliminate heat spots also.

#### HOME MADE BISCUITS

2 ½ cups wholemeal flour

½ cup wheat germ or wheat hearts ½ cup brown rice bran

½ cup canola oil

1 dessertspoon crushed garlic 1 tblsp honey

1 tsp vegemite (optional)

Mix all ingredients in a large bowl with a wooden spoon.

Roll onto a cutting board and cut into or shape into biscuits.

Bake in a moderate oven for 30 to 45 minutes (or until hard)

Cool and store in an airtight container

And remember to ventilate the kitchen when cooking as the fumes are a bit strong.

#### **COLIN HUMPHRIES**

Colin joined the then named Geelong German Shepherd and Obedience Dog Club in 1979 with his two Weimaraners and after much hard work, gained his CDX (Companion Dog Excellence) with Saxon.

He began instructing in 1981 and later joined the display team - remaining a member of that for over 8 years, while Fred Lehrmann, Henry Dahl, Graham Douglas and Jan Boeyen each led the team as it went about promoting the Clubs in many places.

Colin is a man of many talents - or maybe just a glutton for hard work! Over the years he's been grounds manager, hall manager, vice president, assistant training supervisor, has done several stints as training supervisor and is a Life Member of the Club as well as another general "dogsbody" on committee.

Geelong was the first obedience club to begin Agility so Colin, along with Phil Bergin and Stuart Innes (who has since left the club) introduced this fun activity to interested members and put in many hours running the program for the first few years after its inception.

As well as all this activity he and Stuart began travelling to Bacchus Marsh Dog Club regularly for the next 3 years to help train people there until they trained enough instructors to take over.

In his spare time Colin was trained by his Weimaraner, Spike, to CD (Companion Dog) level with some tracking to break the monotony - now Oliver is doing the same - testing his patience to the limit.

Well done Colin Desma Dickeson Assistant Training Supervisor



# LIBRARY NEWS

August purchases for the library have been processed and are now due for return. The following interesting additions to the library in August are on loan and due for return.

WREDE Barbara Civilizing your puppy
WILSON Danny Curing your dogs bad habits

GENTILE Dan Guide to beginning obedience

FOGLE Bruce Complete dog training manual (2nd copy)

PALMER Joan Dog Facts

McELROY Susan Questions dog asks their owners McELROY Susan Animals as teachers and healers

The above were purchased from Griffiths in Ryrie Street, Geelong. they are prompt at ordering books not in stock including Diane Bauman Basic Dog Training or other books. Discount on presentation of Seniors Card.

Phil Bergin Club Librarian

#### **CHOOSING A POOCH**

Your choice of dog can affect your life, so make it a wise one, advises

#### Dr Marilyn Kelly

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At some time in our lives many of us will want to have a dog as a friend, companion or protector or our home. Choosing a dog involves considering the breed, your budget, lifestyle and health and the si of your yard.

BREEDS - The popularity of certain breeds changes like the weather. Ignore fads and choose what suits you.

BIG - The border collie, Australian cattle dog and kelpie were bred to chase sheep and cattle. The need exercise and are a handful if not given it. Malamutes and huskies are very strong willed dogs at need an owner who can overcome this. The beautiful german shepherd can be timid or a biter. Check the temperament of the parents. Dobermans and rottweilers are very intelligent but, again, poor breeding can lead to less than perfect temperament. Like most breeds, they usually need basic obedience training.

All large dogs need your time and effort to be a good pet. If you don't have the time to train and exercise them, please don't buy them. You harm the dog and its reputation.

SMALL - Breeds such as the corgi, Australian terrier, poodle and silky terrier make very good guard dogs. They are alert and happy to bark at intruders. They usually are good with children but, again, check the parents temperament. House dogs, they like to be indoors with their owners. They a intelligent, active and easy to train but, like larger dogs, need exercise to keep them happy.

HUNTER - These breeds also make excellent family pets and usually are of very gentle temperamer. They include the labrador, golden retriever, red setter, cocker spaniel, pointer and weimaraner. They are good with children and bark at intruders but probably need training to take longer to outgro puppy ways than other larger breeds.

GIANT - The giant breed such as the newfoundland, great dane and Pyrenean mountain dog are generally even-tempered, lovable and huge. You need a decent yard for them.

CROSS - Cross breeds make excellent pets but it is more difficult to check their parents. Look at the character traits of the breeds in the pup.

Many other breeds make great pets and good guard dogs. Talk to your vet.

CONSIDER YOUR HEALTH - It's common sense to consider your health when buying a dog. if you suffer from arthritis in the hand, controlling a large dog will be difficult. If you have a bad back, washing a large dog will be arduous and you probably would need a mobile hydrobath. If you have allergies, long coated dogs may trigger them. Some breeds need a lot of grooming and sometimes clipping. You need to be prepared for the time and cost involved

THE BIG DAY - when choosing your friend, take time, sit and play with a the pups. Often, one wil choose you. Play often will establish a pups temperament, If it growls and huddles in the corner, it moves too nervous. However, it may be shy and, with time and caring owners, will make a great pet.

WARNING - A dog that fits your lifestyle will give you years of joy. If you are hardly home, you really should not own a dog. It is not fair on either of you.

## "SAXON"

# ORMSLEE AUSTRAL AMIGO (A) A.I. C.D.X. A.B.T. (ABOUT BLOODY TIME)

Thanks to all the "Aunties and Uncles" who supplied training, advice, support, hankies, prayers and hard liquor during the period spent getting one large black and tan backside to stay in the appointed place for the required time.

# Val Moeller

#### Editors Note

(A) = Conformation Standard.

A.I. = Artificially Inseminated.

C.D.X. = Companion Dog Excellence.

A.B.T. = About Bloody Time



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# UNDERSTANDING THE LANGUAGE OF CANINE

More dogs are being bred - and sold- all over the world for the purpose to guard homes and families. Unfortunately, most people are not aware of the dangers this kind of breeding, and ownership, can create for the average pet owner.

As we've seen in the past several years, people are usually not well versed in canine behaviour - especially in canine drives. The same ignorant people peculiarly choose to own powerful and strong-willed dogs. Their inappropriate choices can have a devasting effect on the dogs and upon children.

The humanizing of dogs has created a basic misunderstanding of canine behaviour. As trainers and breeders, we have often only added to this misconception. Dogs are *not* humans - they are animals. Some of the more aggressive breeds have the same drives or characteristics of any other predatory animal - from lions to bears.

## Humanizing Dog Behaviour -

To observe canine behaviour and attach human explanations for said behaviour. For example: A dog destroys personal property. The dog must be "angry" or "jealous". In reality, he is just chewing to satisfy teething. Or, this is how he chooses to pass the time. Chewing can also be caused by a resent reprimand or a long absence of the owner. Dogs gain security by keeping members of their pack close to them by chewing or eating objects with a strong scent of the pack members (shoes, clothes, furniture etc). When examining problems in canine temperament and behaviour, always look at the effects of improper imprinting or conditioning and ask yourself if you really do understand your dog's drives.

# Pack Order or Social Hierarchy -

Whether you are talking about dogs or human behaviour, there should be an *order* of command. Each dog holds a submissive or dominant position to other pack members. There is NO equality. The top position is held by the most dominant. This position is held through a show of aggression. Every dog must fight to keep his/her place, even is that place is second to the bottom. A dog lives to move up in the "pecking order." Establishing dominance is an ongoing behaviour.

## \* "Alpha" or Top Dog -

The position you should hold over the dog. You are either Alpha or Beta to your dog. If you are Beta to your dog, you are not allowed to give reprimands, commands or be around his food or possessions. Any dominative posture from you will not be permitted by the dog without reprimand. His reprimand can a be a warning growl or even a violet attack.

#### \* Dominance -

The dog is willing to test you for position - aggressively possessive over food, area, toys or children; not willing to submit to your commands. This dog is in need of training (putting him in his proper place) under all family members.

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#### Submissiveness -

To show fear, to comply, to respond. The level of submission can be slight to extreme - depending on the dog's temperament, pain tolerance or your method of rearing.

#### \* Posturing -

A term used to explain different physical dominant and submissive body postures. A dog will posture another dog to "read" if they are to be dominant or submissive. Dogs are experts of reading body language and are able to read other dogs or humans in a matter of seconds. Unlike humans, they do not need to get to know the person. Dogs react to situations and stimuli - they do not reason or contemplate. The ability to read dogs takes time and experience.

#### \* Avoidance -

The dog will literally shut down. He will avoid looking at (or even in the direction of) the handler in obedience and tracking. This behaviour is very different than submission behaviour. For example: In protection, a decoy will sometimes put too much pressure on a dog either because the dog lacks maturity or the training has been advanced too quickly. This stress will be shown by the dog going in avoidance - a behaviour which causes the dog to look away from the decoy and put his interest in another place - sniffing the ground, looking in the direction of the spectators, the handler or even another dog.

#### \* Drives -

There are five very distinctive drives: Defence, prey, play, food and sex drives. In training we utilize four or the five canine drives. The dog's sex drive is the only canine drive not usually used in training (but in can be used for stopping dog aggression). The better a person understands these canine drives, the better trainer he or she will become. This knowledge will apply whether you are training, tracking, obedience or protection.

Drives are instinctive. Man has selectively bred many domestic dogs for individual tasks. Because each task is different, each dog has different intensities of drives, even within each litter. The first drive we usually witness in puppy "play drive." This is the most entertaining of the canine drives. Strong "prey" and "defence drives" are common to the personal protection breeds (protection of stock or people). Prey drive is common to the herding and sporting breeds but some are low in their defence drives. Because many of the breeds are not used for work but rather for our emotional pleasure, many of these strong drives are unwanted and unused by the owner.

When seeking out a dog's natural drives - food, play and sometimes the prey drive is used in order to develop good tracking ability. For instance, if a dog is not motivated to track by food, we will introduce a ball or tug toy in place of the food to encourage the dog to track. We'll use a strong prey drive to replace a weak food drive. To watch a dog excel in obedience is truly beauty in motion. In obedience, we will use food, play, prey and sometimes the dog's defence drive in order to excel in obedience. The best trainers are capable to achieving this through the use of many canine drives. Example: in the beginning, food is used to imprint enjoyment of the work. After time and maturity, subtle compulsion is introduced to build drive for the obedience.

# UNDERSTANDING THE LANGUAGE OF CANINE.../3

#### Imprinting -

To establish a behaviour - wanted or unwanted - teach a puppy to jump, beg, play bite or sleep on the couch, you have imprinted your puppy to do so. You can imprint bad or good behaviour. To change imprinting is difficult.

#### Conditioning -

Means to establish a routine. If you feed your dog at 8 am and 6 pm everyday, the dog will expect this routine everyday. To change this conditioning will be unsettling to the dog, and can create other behavioural problems.

#### \* Correction -

This can be verbal or physical depending on the dog's level of dominance, submission and pain tolerance. Some dogs will comply at the raise of a voice, where others will need constant strong leash corrections to make your point. They may look similar, but all Rottweilers are very different in temperament, tolerance to pain, sign and sound sensitivity.

#### \* Motivational Training -

A style of training. In order to motivate a dog, you must know the drive you are going to target. In obedience, we will use food, prey objects or a prey bite for attention (focus) or correct execution of a particular exercise. The dog is taught that when he performs correctly, he will be rewarded. That reward MUST come *immediately* in order for the dog to relate it to the exercise performed.

## \* Compulsion Training -

Another style of training. The trainer will give harsh corrections when teaching. There is a time for compulsion after the dog truly understands what is expected of him and is property motivated to his training. If the dog is unclear as to your desires, you will only put the dog into conflict. These dogs will invariably show their hatred for obedience as they have been bullied into doing the exercise(s). The handler and dog do not appear to be a "team". Obedience training should go as follows: Motivate and teach; Compulsion; motivate; polishing (which includes both motivation and compulsion).

## \* Building Confidence -

The dog shows weakness or is possibly not comfortable in what it is you are trying to train. To build confidence, we make the training easier in order to give the dog time to adjust before moving forward with our training.

## \* Conflict -

The training is not clear to the dog. Fear of correction or reprimand will make the dog do the exercise either partially or not at all.. Remember, just because you believe the dog understands, does not mean he does. Training takes a long time. Patience is the secret to great training.

# TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF A LICENCED NOVICE JUDGE By Dick Wiltnik

Well, Finally, I made it. After years of study and practice according to the Trial Rules I finally broke the ice and became a V.C.A. Licensed Novice Judge.

Starting with one book of Trial Rules and learning every word because at the exams they demanded the answers to be word perfect. Passing the written tests was not a problem to me. The Practical tests always let me down mostly because of Nerves, something I do not suffer Judging at Trails.

I remember one year the Practical test was to be at the old Werribee dog grounds. A bonus for me, as this for once was only a short drive for me, having to come from Geelong.

At the Venue I was given a Steward (an Open Judge) and before it was my turn to get into the ring we practiced outside. Everything went fine but the minute I stepped into the Ring my Nerves took hold and if anyone would have asked me, "How many legs on a dog" I would not have known. Needless to say I did not pass.

As I do not normally suffer with Nerves I was at a loss. I had to do something, Doctors, Health experts, Natural medicine etc., etc., - nothing worked.

It so happened that I missed two passes one after the other and according to V.C.A. rules I then had to miss one year before I could try again. During that period the V.C.A. came out with a new Rule Book and I had to start all over again. The written exams were made a bit "Easier" as now we only had to cross the right answers, but they were tricky all the same. I passed with well over 90%.

As an Encouragement Judge I travelled widely through Victoria and a lot of Clubs offered me help to get ahead. I finally chose Werribee as they have several full panel judges in the Club and train on Saturdays. For me this was excellent 1. It took only 25 minutes to get there 2. Saturdays did not interfere with Judging on Sundays 3. Help from the Full Panel Judges. Every session was treated as a test, score a dog and explain the points. Slowly it came to me that I could do this, something I was told from the very start, and was proven to me at my last test.

I scored the dogs as I saw them and stood my ground as the Judge came up with some points as the Exam Panel and Passed. I thank the Geelong Club members for egging me on and the Werribee Club for putting up with me.

Judging is a nice "Hobby". It takes my mind away from my daily grind. Any one who likes to become a Judge go for it, but three things are required:-

- 1. Know the Rule Book backwards.
- Judge Fair
- 3. and maybe most important be a diplomat.

#### NEW MEMBERS

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

3 August 1997

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### POETS CORNER is really bad but it will do until I get paid

Mobile phones are in use everyday and one was used on a Saturday To call for help because she was lost During the Geelong Canine Good Citizen Lot

"Who got lost1" I hear you say "How could you get lost?" you cry in dismay Around the block you had to walk To get back to the clock in point

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Who taught her little Cavi dog To dig for Bricks Oh why! Oh why! Now that a tree is planted out The dog is banished and can't go out

Who dresssed in white Had a very good night At the Cats Casino the other night

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A good night out was had by all At the Cats Casino one and all An envelope on the table was With money in it, There was there was

"I don't need now" she says "There's something in it" I says I says "No there's not" she says she says But opens it, Oh well! Oh well!

I'm glad she didn't leave it there To give a tip to some one there "It's better in your purse" I-says "Your richer now" I says I says

By for now

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