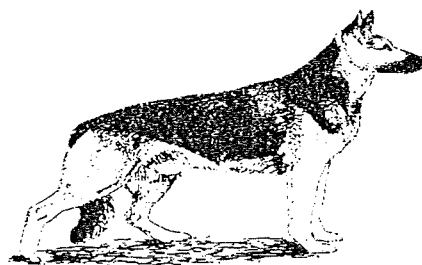
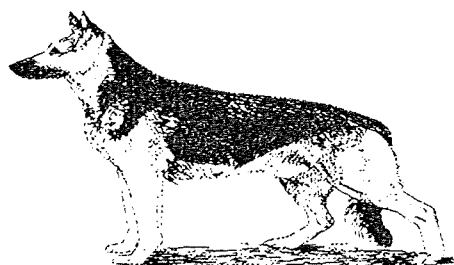
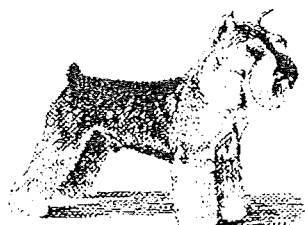
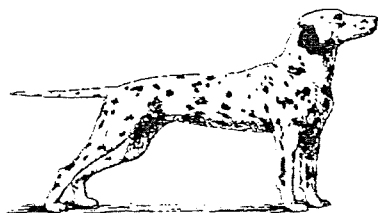
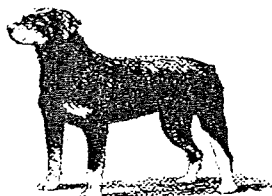


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TRAINING SUPERVISOR

It was a really difficult morning on 16 May with most of Committee and several Instructors away due to either illness, Trials or other commitments and this left us with very few reserves!

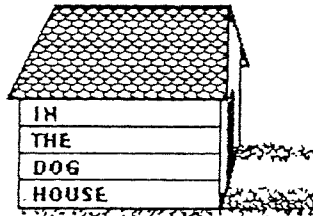
To the fantastic team who rallied around and kept the classes intact and working towards their various goals – a huge **THANK YOU** – you have no idea just how much I appreciate the effort that you all made.

To any members who felt short-changed, my sincere apologies, but we can only work with the resources we have and they are stretched to the absolute limit!!!

While people do not wish to become more involved in the Club and thus help ease the burden of the very few workers, then the classes will continue to suffer as a result.

Thank you Cath Davies on the occasion of your retirement after many years of service and finally "Get Well" wishes to Charlie Bartolo and Arthur Thorogood.

Enjoy your training
Desma Dickeson – Training Supervisor



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LIGHTER SIDE OF LIFE

Author Unknown

I would like to share part of a letter from a very dear friend. She wrote, "What are Seniors worth"? Remember, old folks are worth a fortune - with silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet and gas in their stomachs.

"I have become a little older since I saw you last and a few changes have come into my life. Frankly, I have become a frivolous old girl. I'm seeing five gentlemen every day.

As soon as I wake up, Will Power helps me out of bed, then I go to see John. Next its time for Uncle Toby to come along, followed by Billy T. They leave and Arthur Ritis shows up and stays for the rest of the day. He doesn't like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint.

After such a busy day I'm really tired and glad to go to bed with Johnny Walker. What a life! Oh yes, I'm also flirting with Al Zymer".

Wouldn't it be lovely if more people laughed at life like my friend?

FEW BENEFITS!

Reprinted for members information courtesy of Geelong News
Letters to the Editor

FRIDAY, April 23 was a sad day for Geelong. The announcement of State Government funding for the watersports complex was not a smart move. \$9.4 million would have been better spent to benefit the 'little people' of our city.

Think carefully - how will this watersports development directly benefit you?

Jeff says, "this has the potential for providing activity down here on almost a weekly basis". What does he propose? That Bendigo, Dimboola or Horsham regatta should desert their local communities and move to Geelong? Or, heaven forbid, the Head of the Yarra?

And what will the people of Nagambie think? The justification for the proposed complex was that it should meet international rowing specifications.

However, there are few international events even available to be staged in Australia, let alone Geelong. Go to the FISA Website if you

want details. And it has been found that rowing and water-skiing don't mix.

This announcement is a political, pre-election ploy and not the best use of millions of dollars in Geelong.

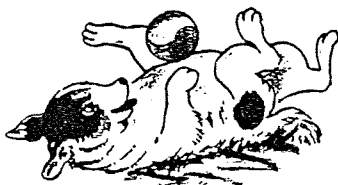
The plan does not address the problem of Breakwater Road, or the need for a new bridge across the Barwon and the additional costs (both in dollar and environmental terms) of siting it further downstream which the general community must bear.

Nor does it adequately deal with the maintenance of the complex itself which will be paid for by ratepayers.

How much is the watersports community putting into this project?

Or is it just manna from Heaven to a chosen few? I do not believe the proposed development will add value to the city, which successfully hosts rowing events on the river.

Valda Dedman - Highton



CLUB CALENDAR

June

Tuesday	1 June	General Meeting - 8 p.m. - Membership renewals open (post only, further details this Newsletter).
Thursday	3 June	Puppy Kinder commences- puppies approx. 8 - 16 weeks
Sunday	6 June	Puppy and Class One Intake. SPIRIT OF THE WEST CHALLENGE commencing 12.30 pm.
Sunday	13 June	Queen's Birthday weekend - NO TRAINING
Sunday	20 June	Puppy Intake. Membership renewals accepted at the Club (further details this Newsletter).
Monday	21 June	Instructor's Meeting - 8.00 p.m.
Sunday	27 June	Stock take for all departments - end financial year

July

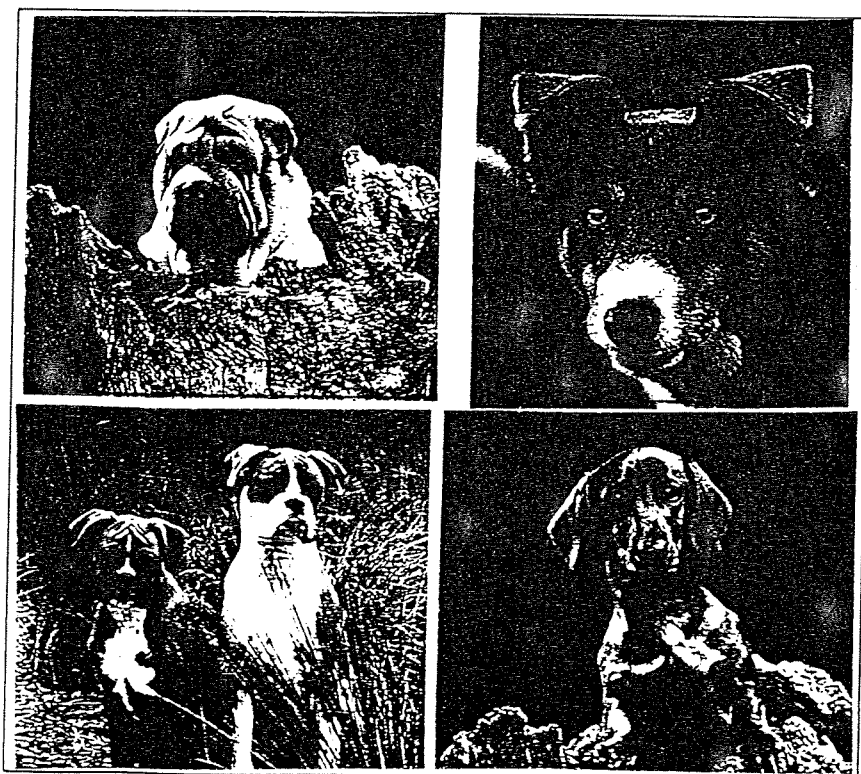
Thursday	1 July	Puppy Kinder - puppies approx 8 - 16 weeks
Sunday	4 July	Promotion Day
Tuesday	6 July	Lecture at GSD Club, Elcho Park - 8.00 p.m. See details this Newsletter.



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"DOGS ARE GOOD AT DOING NOTHING"

"I have found most dogs to be very good at doing nothing," says Peter Kennon. He suggests using this attitude in teaching a dog to "Stay"

In the normal course of daily events, there are occasions when we need our dogs out of the way but under control. The stay exercise is therefore an important part of a dog's education. I have found most dogs to be very good at doing nothing. Sitting or lying quietly in one place for extended periods suits them nicely. Unless of course, they are commanded to be inactive. Then the dog that will happily lie in the sun for hours on end without moving a muscle seems to have difficulty remaining immobile for more than a few seconds!



Whilst "stay" clearly means "don't come, remain where you are", it's interesting that this exercise actually allows us to have our dogs nearby all the time. The animal that will rest quietly in a corner whilst we are dining or working doesn't have to be remotely confined. It can still be present, without being a nuisance.

Theoretically, when given the command, a dog should remain in the required place indefinitely. Training should be for companionship, not competition, and specific periods of one, three, five or even ten minutes are irrelevant.

It is necessary to achieve reliability on lead before exposing the dog to situations in which it may learn there is no physical reason for it to comply. Once a dog discovers it can break the stay and enjoy freedom, the trainer faces a long and frustrating course of correction.

With the dog on lead and sitting in the heel position, the verbal command "Stay" is given quietly, together with an appropriate hand signal. I repeat the word "quietly" because the way the command is shouted in some trial rings is disgraceful.

The dog has probably learnt to follow the left leg as a cue when heeling, so the trainer should leave on the right and move to a position directly in front of and facing the dog. A pause of about five seconds is sufficient at first before the trainer retraces the original path back to the dog's right side. A further pause of about two seconds and the dog can be praised.



There are several significant points in this procedure.

It must be made quite clear to the dog that this situation is different to heeling. The dog is not required to follow the handler and it should not be forced to guess whether to follow or remain. Therefore the trainer must ensure the command is given before making even the slightest movement away from the animal.

The period of the stay should be quite short so that the dog successfully completes the first attempts without correction; (the dog wins).

A pause before praise prevents the handler's return becoming a cue to break position.

The next phase involves extending the time and distance in progressive steps until the handler can get to the end of the lead for a couple of minutes. Any problems that arise should be overcome by returning to the beginning and starting again to rebuild confidence.

At some time the dog will move. This is inevitable and necessary for it to learn the point of the exercise. Proper management of corrections is critical.

If you know your mate well enough and are concentrating on the task, you should be able to detect when he or she is thinking about moving. Just as the dog is about to shift, anticipate and apply verbal correction. I don't like repeating commands so I usually say "No!" or "Ahh!"

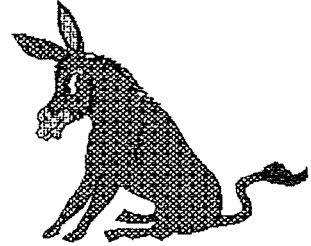
Dogs are good at doing nothing – Peter Kennon (cont.)

Sooner or later the dog will break and must be replaced in its original position as quickly and gently as possible. As the dog rises from the sit position, command "No!" reach forward to impede its progress and return it to the sit. Some trainers perform the most incredible gymnastics as they take corrective action and by the time the dog is back where it should be, the whole point is lost. Anything other than a direct return to the exact, original position is superfluous.

The sit position is used initially because it is easier to achieve, however when the dog is reasonably competent, the previous steps can be repeated in the down and stand positions.

Still on the lead, some distractions should be introduced. The best is to simply squat. This seems to act as an instant invitation for the dog to break. A couple of steps to each side can be added and then the dog circled, being careful not to apply tension to the lead. The return can be upgraded by going around the dog to the heel position. The pause before praise should also be varied so the finish of the exercise is not anticipated.

Some people promote a quite stupid method of trying to pull the dog off the stay with the lead. If it obeys the tug, it is reprimanded for breaking. This is unfair, confusing and of no practical value. Similarly it used to be suggested that on return, the handler heel forward and sit the dog before giving praise. Thankfully this seems to have faded into well-deserved oblivion. The dog must be praised in the position it has maintained!



Depending upon progress and the dog's attitude, the lead can be replaced with a long light line to achieve distance without losing control. Eventually physical restraint can be eliminated completely. The dog's first stay off lead is a significant occasion and some safe area is advised where if something goes wrong, the handler is still able to manage events effectively.

Thereafter, it's a matter of practice under everyday situations, such as when you are gardening or doing household chores. Your training has been successful when the dog will stay whilst you concentrate all your attention on some other task.

Some final precautions. Don't allow creeping and discourage whining because both are hard to shift if they become habits. Gradually increase the degree of distractions. Never recall a dog that has broken a stay. Display confidence when you leave the dog, don't constantly look back. In the learning stages, avoid doing the sit and down stays in one session.

Don't run aggressively towards a dog to administer corrections or your normal approach will cause apprehension and possibly a break. Remain calm and cool at all times. Try not to stare at the dog when it is on a stay. This doesn't help and tends to cause uneasiness. Don't go out of sight until the dog is

confident and consistent. Any and all movement from the designated position must be corrected, although for general purposes it doesn't really matter if the dog moves to be more comfortable, providing it doesn't leave the original position.

If you are interested in trial competition you need to understand that the stay exercises are the most critical part of your performance and must receive the highest priority. Its one thing to make a mess of the individual exercises, the only person harmed is yourself. The group exercises are an entirely different matter.

It is very poor sportsmanship to enter an unreliable dog that might create havoc in the stays and thus jeopardise the chances of fellow competitors.



TRIAL RESULTS

*Agility***17/4/99 Southern - am**

Kurrawa Mia Casen UD ADM ET

J & AM Corrigan

Open

Pass

Southern - pm

Kurrawa Mia Casen UD ADM ET

J & AM Corrigan

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Pass

3rd Place**1/5/99 Geelong - am**

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3rd Place

Ruff AD ET

Cathy Bond Open

1st Pass**Geelong - pm**

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J & AM Corrigan

Open

1st Place**2/5/99 Altona - am**

Kurrawa Mia Casen UD ADM ET

J & AM Corrigan

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Pass

2nd Place

Zac Bohling

Rebecca Bohling

Masters

Pass

2nd Place**Altona - pm**

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Ruff AD ET

Cathy Bond

Masters

Pass

2nd Place

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2nd Pass**8/5/99 Bendigo - am**

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J & AM Corrigan

Open

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1st Place

Zac Bohling

Rebecca Bohling

Novice

2nd Pass2nd Place**Bendigo - pm**

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Pass

1st Place

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1st Place*Obedience***Staff Bull Terrier Champ Show**

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Helen den Hartog

Encouragement

Pass

126 pts

1st Place**17/5/99 Berwick**

Ormslee Austral Abbott CDX

Helen Read

Utility

3rd Pass

191 pts

1st Place

UD TITLE

7/5/99 Wangarratta

Brittanique Kissthegirls

Monica Smith

Novice

168 pts

2nd Place

TRIAL DATES

Agility

Australian Shepherd Club of Vic

2 x Trials

Trial

Sunday 20 June

Closing date

6 June

Sunbury & District O D C

2 x Trials

Saturday 10 July

28 June

Obedience

Broadmeadows O D C

Trial

Sunday 27 June

Closing date

11 June

Hastings & District O D C

Saturday 3 July

12 June

Golden Retriever Club (Restricted to Gundogs)

Sunday 4 July

21 June

German Shepherd D C of Vic

Sunday 11 July

25 June

Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc

Sunday 18 July

5 July

CANINE BLOAT

http://www.mvma.org/public/library/health/canine_bloat.html

Canine bloat is a distressing condition also known as gastric dilatation-torsion. Gas accumulates rapidly in the dog's stomach causing it to swell and sometimes twist. It can involve the spleen. Emergency action is vital since the dog may die within hours.

Understanding the possible causes is the first step in preventing bloat. The problem most often develops in large-breed, deep chested dogs like Dobermanns, Saint Bernards and Golden Retrievers. Scientists do not know the exact cause of dilatation-torsion but believe it may be related to the angle of the stomach in relation to the backbone, making it difficult for gas to escape. Further, large dogs tend to gulp their food and water, swallowing large amounts of air in the process. The excessive saliva produced by some large dogs also may react with stomach acids to produce abnormal amounts of gas.

The incidence of gastric dilatation seems higher in dogs fed only once a day compared to those fed two or three times daily. Strenuous exercise immediately after feeding also seems to trigger the problem.

Whatever the cause, excess gas builds up in the stomach, causing it to expand and twist beyond normal limits. Within a short time the twisting cuts off the blood supply to the stomach, causing the stomach tissue cells to die and further blocking the escape of gas. The dog's condition deteriorates rapidly until the stomach almost literally explodes.

Treatment of gastric dilatation can be expensive – and often unsuccessful in saving the dog's life. The best course is prevention. If you feed Fido just one meal a day, do not let her/him exercise after eating. It would be better to feed her/him at least twice a day.

Be alert to early signs of bloat such as short, rapid breathing, heavy salivating and grunting when breathing or moving about. As the condition worsens, the stomach becomes tight and swollen and normally pink gums become pale or bluish coloured.

At the first sign of trouble, call a veterinarian. Usually emergency surgery is required.

The GERMAN SHEPHERD CLUB (GEELONG BRANCH)

have invited any interested

GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB Members

to a Lecture on

“CANINE BLOAT”

to be conducted by

Dr Sally Adams

At their Clubrooms, Elcho Park, Lara

on

Tuesday 6 July at 8.00 pm

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership renewals are with us again and you will find your form on the back of this Newsletter. Please complete **ALL** details on the form so our records can be updated.

WHEN YOU CAN RENEW

Renewals will be accepted by post from 1 June or at the Club each Sunday from 20 June (due to Spirit of the West Challenge 6 June and Queen's Birthday weekend on 13 June) until

Saturday 31 July

If your membership is not renewed by 31 July you will be asked to pay a joining fee again. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!** If posting, please include a stamped self-addressed envelope for return of your membership card and receipt.

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Pensioner Single	\$ 7.50
Pensioner Family/Dual	\$10.00

The following is an excerpt from the By-Laws of Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc, which may clarify an often-asked question at the Office window: -

By-Law No 2

'Definition of Family membership

Any family, covering a husband, wife and all children under the age of eighteen years shall be eligible to hold a Family membership'.

'Definition of Dual membership

Dual membership covers any two persons residing at the same address'.

VACCINATION CERTIFICATES

All vaccination certificates must be sighted when you renew your membership regardless of how recently you joined. Motions No, 1 and 41.

LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP

Don't forget to renew your Library membership. Our Library has a good range of books on various Breeds, Dog Problems, Obedience Training and 'Doggie Stories'. The Library is open at approximately 10.15 am between the two sessions of each training day. Library membership is **\$2.00 per year**.

If you are experiencing difficulty paying your membership fee, please see the Secretary or the Treasurer **before the due date**.



KIDZ CORNER



With the amount of Junior members in the Club, I am surprised that so few of you have a joke or a story to tell. All you need to do to get into the Newsletter is to place your item in an envelope marked Kidz Corner and leave it at the Office.

Thanks to Vivian Langham who sent us a letter. It was great to get your letter, Vivian.

Hi, my name is Vivian Langham and my dog's name is Toby.
In my letter I have jokes and a poem. I hope you enjoy them.

See ya soon

Vivian



Joke 1 - Lost

I've just lost my dog

Why don't you put an advertisement in the paper?

Don't be silly - my dog can't read!

Poem - Going Out

I'm going out my little friends

But you must stay inside

Because it's cold and snowy out

And you might slip and slide

Joke 2 - Bite

Q. How do you find out where a flea has bitten you?

A. Start from scratch!

Please take us with you, Mistress Dear

It would be such a treat

For we have fur coats just like you

And snow won't hurt our feet.

Kristen Ware left the following jokes at Nanna's house

Q. What do you call a monkey with a banana in each ear?

A. Anything, he can't hear you!

And these two are from Leonie

Q. Where do you buy a cat from?

A. A Catalogue

Q. Which snakes are good at maths?

A. Adders!

Important

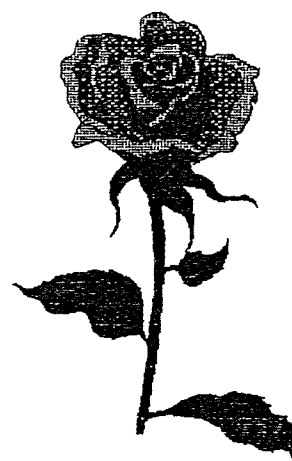
AN APOLOGY TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WHO
WERE OVERLOOKED FROM THE CERTIFICATE
PASSES LIST IN THE LAST NEWSLETTER.
CONGRATULATIONS!

Basics

John Cameron & "Skeeta"

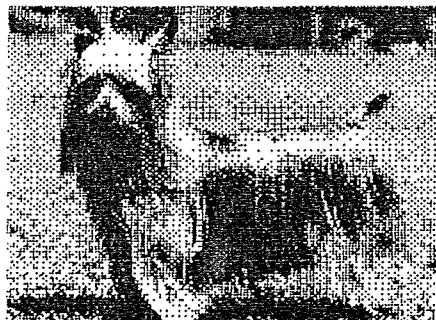
Helen den Hartog & "Shae"

Helen Green & "Pepe"



DOG BREEDS FROM A TO Z

AUSTRALIAN SILKY TERRIER



Height: 8 - 10 in (20 - 25 cm)

Weight: 8 - 11 lb (4 - 5 kg)

The appealing Silky Terrier is the ideal companion for those who want a small dog with lots of heart.

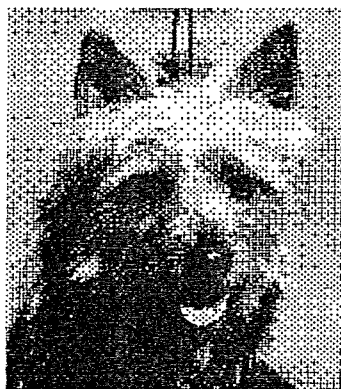
The Silky Terrier is a product of Australia. They are also known as the Australian Silky Terrier and sometimes as Sydney Silkies, after the city in which they were first bred. In the 1800s a group of people decided to breed a uniquely Australian companion dog. They crossed Australian Terriers with Yorkshire Terriers, and produced a dog to fit the bill admirably. There is some speculation that perhaps Dandie Dinmont Terriers or Skye Terriers were also included in the mix.

The Silky was never designed to be a true working Terrier, but they aren't devoid of rat and mouse-catching talent. The Silky was first shown in Australia in 1907, in Britain in 1930, followed by the US in 1959.

The Silky Terrier closely resembles the smaller Yorkshire Terrier in colour and general body shape. The Silky has small pointed upright ears and small eyes that complement the wedge-shaped head. The body is slightly longer than it is tall and has short, fine-boned legs. The coat is long and glossy and is silky to touch. It parts down the spine to fall in soft waves on either side of the body. On the head, the hair forms a topknot, and moustaches with a rudimentary beard. The main colour is tan with a blue saddle, with the blue ranging from silver to slate, and often appear black in young dogs.

The Silky Terrier is a wonderful little dog that brings joy to the hearts of millions of owners. This determined little dog becomes a loyal and trustworthy companion and is a pleasure to own. However, if this dog is over-indulged and allowed to become too bossy, it can terrorise people with its aggressive snapping or be a real nuisance by constantly yapping. The Silky is an ideal pet for people who have limited space at home, but they do still appreciate being taken out for walks. The coat will be kept in good condition as long as it is given a thorough brushing once or twice a week.

AUSTRALIAN TERRIER



Height: 10 in (25.4 cm)

Weight: 9 - 14 lb (4 - 6.3 kg)

This truly delightful little dog seems to skim across the ground as it playfully chases butterflies. Although this sturdily built, shaggy-haired terrier was originally bred as a sporting dog for catching rats and rabbits; nowadays it generally serves people as a loyal companion.

Like its cousins the Australian Cattle Dog and the Australian Kelpie, the Australian Terrier was also cross-bred from imported dogs for local requirements. The Australian Terrier was probably a combination of Yorkshire, Norwich, Cairn, Irish, and Scottish Terriers. In Melbourne during 1885, the dog was exhibited as the Australian Rough Terrier. Then in the late 1890s the Australian Terrier was seen at shows in Sydney, although it was certainly popular in the Outback well before.

Dog Breeds from A to Z (con't)
Australian Terrier

In the early 1900s the Australian Terrier was taken to England but given little recognition as a significant breed. However, in 1921 the Australian Terrier Club started and the popularity of the breed increased. The Duke of Gloucester enjoyed the company of his Australian Terriers during his stay, and upon his return to England dramatically increased the breed's public acceptance. The Kennel Club (UK) recognised the Australian Terrier as an official breed in 1936. At one stage the Australian Terrier was in decline as a breed because of too much cross-breeding with the (Australian) Silky Terrier. However, stalwarts in the UK faithfully continued the line and new stock was introduced back into Australia.

The Australian Terrier is a very sturdy and rugged little dog with a lively nature. The dark eyes are small and alert, peering out from a flat head topped with upright (non-tufted) pointed ears. The low-slung body is quite long, with a level back. Traditionally the tail has been docked. The double coat is soft underneath and finished with a dense, stiff outer coat. The coat colours may be either blue or silver, with a tan contrast on the face, ears, belly, lower legs and feet. A red or sandy colour is also acceptable.

Even though the Australian Terrier is a small dog, it is very confident and usually even-tempered. It makes an excellent watch-dog and will readily alert its owner to the presence of an intruder.

When it is a puppy, it is important to allow the Australian Terrier time to socialise with other dogs. It should not always be picked up whenever another dog approaches. This early socialisation will stop it from becoming aggressive towards other dogs when it matures.

Like all terriers, the Australian Terrier can become very bossy towards people. Wise owners will be gentle but quite firm with the dog as it develops. The dog should be protected from over-zealous children and allowed to enjoy their company. As this terrier was originally bred to be fast enough to catch rats in its teeth, any snapping or nipping at children during chasing games should be discouraged. The Australian Terrier makes an excellent companion animal for both single people and families alike. As is the case with most dogs, the Australian Terrier will thrive on the attention it receives from its owners and is easy to train.

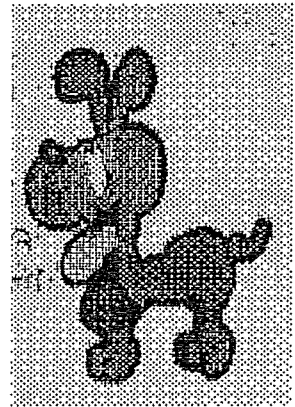
Even though the Australian Terrier has a double coat, it is a small dog and should be protected from the cold by a kennel. Even though this dog is small, it still requires exercising... although this can be achieved much quicker and in less space than with a larger dog. Insufficient stimulation and exercise can provoke hostility and unruly behaviour. The amount of food required would vary according to the amount of exercise and age, but as a guide the dog will need about 0.5 lb (0.25 kg) per day.

The dog's muzzle and feet should be checked periodically for cuts and sores, as it has a habit of chasing and catching lizards and insects. Although the Australian Terrier copes with the heat very well, its ears also need to be checked for fly bites, and a repellent applied if required. Over-zealous owners may be unkind by washing this dog too frequently. It can suffer eczema from soap and detergents. Regular brushing will remove dirt and promote a lustrous sheen to the coat.

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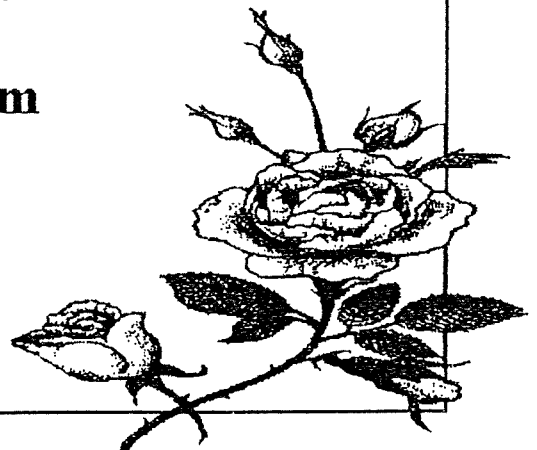
"Val"

25/12/1986 – 19/5/1999

Goodbye our faithful companion

You will be sadly missed by

**Tess, Lorraine and Malcolm
Waldron**



NEW MEMBERS

The Committee, Instructors and Members would like to welcome the following new members. We hope your stay is a long and happy one and you achieve success with your training.

2 May 1999

Elaine Pearson	Pauline Koszewsk	Susi Robertson	Kerry Carson
Greg Erwin	Pamla Saunders	Sheila Merriman/Brian	Holloman
Elliott Family	Nemarie Family	Gates Family	Taylor Family
Sue Kowalski/Joyce Kowalski			

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Tara Middleton	Rose Daniel	Khala Mahon	Walker Family
Hanlon Family	Chapman Family	Danielle Marshall/Peter	Kenyon
Lucas King/Stacey Gilbert			

FOR SALE

Floor rug 2.2m x 1.7m. Floral. \$150.00

Dining room table and chairs plus cushions.
Table is oval approx 1.5m long. \$300.00

Chest of drawers \$300.00

Buffet \$350.00

Bookcase \$100.00

All items are in excellent condition. Please contact Pam 52 290 145 for further information.

"If a Dog be Well Remembered"

by Ben Hur Lampman

From the Portland Oregonian, Sept 11, 1925

We are thinking now of a setter, whose coat was flame in the sunshine and who, so far as we are aware, never entertained a mean or an unworthy thought. This setter is buried beneath a cherry tree, under four feet of garden loam, and at its proper season the cherry strews petals on the green lawn of his grave. Beneath a cherry tree or an apple or any flowering shrub of the garden is an excellent place to bury a good dog.

Beneath such trees, such shrubs, he slept in the drowsy summer or gnawed at a flavorful bone or lifted head to challenge some strange intruder. These are good places, in life or in death. Yet it is a small matter. For if the dog be well-remembered, if sometimes he leaps through your dreams actual as in life, eyes kindling, laughing, begging, it matters not at all where the dog sleeps. On a hill where the wind is unrebuked and the trees are roaring, or beside a stream he knew in puppyhood, or somewhere in the flatness of a pastureland, where most exhilarating cattle graze. It is all one to the dog and one to you, and nothing is gained and nothing is lost – if memory lives.

But there is one best place to bury a dog. If you bury him in this spot, he will come to you when you call – come to you over the grim, dim frontiers of death, and down the well-remembered path, and to your side again. And though you call a dozen living dogs to heel they shall not growl at him, nor resent his coming, for he belongs there. People may scoff at you, who see no lightest blade of grass bend by his footfall, who hear no whimper, people who may never really have had a dog. Smile at them, for you shall know something that is hidden from them, and which is well worth the knowing.

The one best place to bury a good dog is in the heart of his master.

Thank you to Yahbini's companion for this beautiful piece.

GENERAL MEETING

6 April 1999

Meeting opened: 8.02 pm

Apologies: J Convery, L Marfatia, S Noblett, P Bergin, B Lawrence, P Pope, L Blackwell
Acc: L Kelleher **Seconded:** C Davies **Carried**

Minutes from the previous General Meeting as distributed in the Newsletter taken as read:
Acc: W Ganly **Seconded:** J Ball **Carried**

Business arising from the Minutes

1. W Ganly read a report re Judges lunches at Novembers Trial 1998 as requested at previous General Meeting
2. C Humphries queried the wording of the motion that changed the election procedure of the Demo Team Leader. It was stated that the motion had been passed as it was written.

Correspondence Out –
 Walk for Animal Welfare

Correspondence In –

M Foord, Uncle Bens x 2, Berwick Obedience Dog Club, M Foord
Acc: C Humphries **Seconded:** C Davies **Carried**

Business arising from Correspondence

1. M Foord was granted permission to borrow chairs and a table from the Club on Sunday 18 April

Treasurer's Report

J Ball presented written report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment
Acc: E Longshaw **Seconded:** L Gaylard **Carried**

Other Reports

Canteen Manager – P Convery read written report on behalf of K Ciezarek. Written report attached

Equipment Manager – M Foord said a working bee had been arranged for Sunday 25 April at 1.00 pm to organise equipment for the Agility trial and asked for helpers.

Publicity Officer – A Trueman said she had written to Dr Harry Cooper requesting a visit to the Club but no reply had been received to date.

Raffle Steward – M Foord read a written report on both the Easter Raffle and the Raffle the day of the Luke Hura Seminar. Written report attached

Shop Manager – R Rogers reported that all was going well in the shop. A monthly order had been placed for dried liver

Social Secretary – L Kelleher read written report. Report attached

Training Supervisor/Demo Team Leader – D Dickeson read written report. Report attached.

Acc: C Humphries **Seconded:** E Longshaw **Carried**

General Business

1. **Constitution Changes.** After some discussion H Read moved 'that the Constitutional changes as printed in the March Newsletter be accepted'
Seconded: F Lehrmann **Carried**
2. W Ganly said she was in need of Stewards for the Agility Trial. Also asked about the possibility of a BBQ lunch on Sunday 6 June for the Spirit of the West Challenge. It was agreed that the entry fee be \$2.00 and would include the BBQ. Wendy also asked if we could include

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3. Agility and Junior handlers on the day to be conducted while scores were being tallied, as points would not count towards the shield. After some discussion it was decided that both would be included but that Juniors must handle dogs they actually handled in Class. Age groups to be 7 – 12 years and 12 – 18 years. Wendy then suggested that Veterans could be included if someone was prepared to organise and run it but no one volunteered.
 4. R Rogers offered to operate the video camera at the Spirit of the West Challenge
 5. F Lehrmann reported that Jan Carr (Boeyen) had passed away recently and spoke briefly about her past involvement with the Club.
 6. P Convery spoke regarding the possible printing of a monthly Newsletter instead of bi-monthly. After some discussion P Convery moved 'that the Club Newsletter be produced monthly on a trial basis until the end of the 1999 training year and that all paid advertising be included in the Newsletter containing the General Meeting minutes'
- Seconded: A Pape Carried
7. E Longshaw asked why the Club Calendar had not appeared in the last Newsletter. P Convery apologised that it had been overlooked.

As there was no further business

Meeting closed at: 8.47 pm



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1999/2000 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

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DOG/DETAILS - Dogs training at the Club

Name	Breed	Age	Sex

Current Vaccination certificates must be sighted with this renewal regardless of when you joined. (Motion nos 1 & 41)

NB Failure to renew membership by Saturday 31 July will incur the Club joining fee again

Tick type of Membership renewal required
Membership renewed to 30 June 2000

Single/Junior	Family/Dual	Pensioner Single/Junior	Pensioner Family/Dual
\$15.00	\$20.00	\$7.50	\$10.00

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