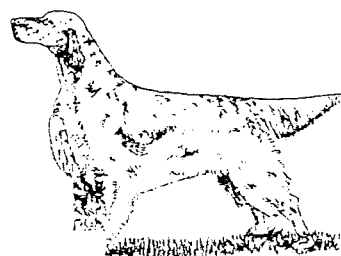
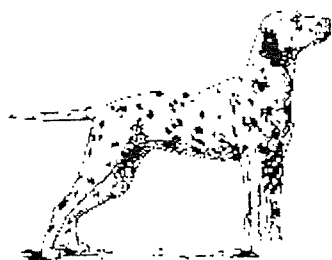


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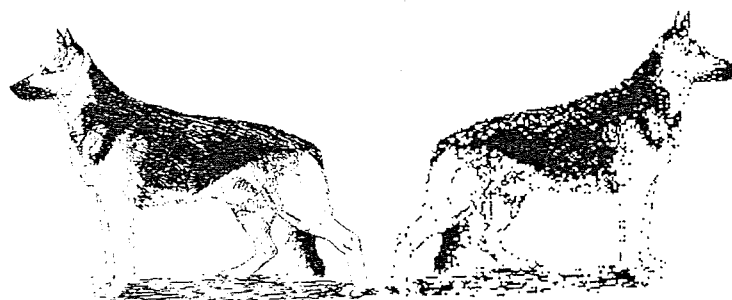
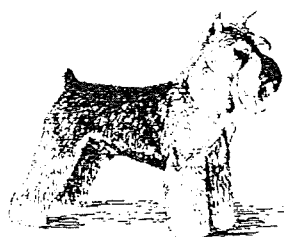


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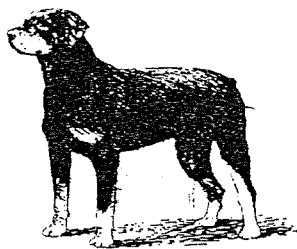
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President's Report

How time flies – it only seems like yesterday that I was writing my last report for our Newsletter.

To all our new members a huge welcome, may you learn to become a team with your 4-legged companion and also make new friends along the way.

This edition of Faithfully Yours is truly a milestone – it being our 100th Edition. Over the years the Newsletter has grown to be an informative read with a variety of articles and members funny stories being contributed. It is a credit to the editors to piece it together to make Faithfully Yours an interesting read.

The Club recently held Agility Trials with people coming from Victoria, NSW and SA. To all our members who helped on the Friday night and Saturday (the day of the Trial) a huge thank-you, you should all be so proud of your Club. The Judges and many competitors came forward with pleasing comments. Congratulations to Janelle Convery for organising and running another successful Trial.

At the moment the Club is rather short of Instructors which I'm sure is a nightmare for our Training Supervisor. At times it is not an easy job to organise Instructors for Classes. Please be patient and hang in there. To the members who have obtained their Basic Certificate, maybe you could consider becoming an Instructor and put back into your Club. Please speak with your Class Instructor or the Training Supervisor/Assistants.

Now that we have had a little rain and I'm sure we'll get more, we ask that members take extra care when driving in and parking on the grounds.

In this edition of Faithfully Yours there is an important notice of recommendation from the Committee Meeting. I urge you all to come along to June's General Meeting to find out more.

In closing this report a reminder that this is YOUR club and if you would like to become more involved we'd love to hear from you.

Keep smiling and happy training – Leonie Kelleher - President

Vice President's Report

Congratulations to "Faithfully Yours" on its 100th issue. This Newsletter keeps all members up to date on all Club activities, both training and social, as well as articles for general information of members. To help the Editor keep up the high standard of this publication, input of articles from the members is most important. Once more congratulations and keep up the good work.

A Thorogood – Vice President

Secretary's Report

Firstly congratulations to Faithfully Yours on the 100th edition. Eventhough we have a temperamental photocopier, which some times "spits the dummy" and decides it won't work, it is still a step ahead of the Gestetner days of stencils and having members come down to collate all the pages. Although, I guess it could be said that those days were also good social days, when you enjoyed a few laughs as you put the Newsletter together. This seems to be the price we are paying for progress in many areas of our lives.

Well, it's Membership Renewal time again and on the back of this Newsletter is your renewal form. **It would be appreciated if you could possibly renew your membership during the mid week office hours – Monday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm, Thursday 4.00 pm to 8.00 pm – as this will decrease the**

Reports (cont)

congestion at the Office on a Sunday morning. Please don't forget your dog's current Vaccination Certificate when you renew, this applies regardless of when you joined the Club.

Don't forget also to add the good old GST to your membership renewal! The Committee has decided to add the GST to memberships to help recoup some of the GST costs, which the Club will be charged, in various areas including the Canteen, Equipment Shop, Grounds Management and Trials. This has added extra work for our "hard working" Treasurer, but we feel it is necessary, at least in the first 12 months. So, if you see Jim tearing his hair out, offer him your sympathy, because it's probably GST related.

Best wishes to all – Pam Convery - Secretary

Trial Secretary

I would just like to add a thank you to all the members who helped at our recent back-to-back Agility Trials. The working bee on the Friday night was amazing, everything was completed in an hour and a half and we all headed home early for a very early start on the Saturday morning. The support, shown by members on the day of the Trials was also incredible. We had a minor hiccup when the car towing the equipment from Ballarat broke down and arrived an hour late, but with so many Geelong members ready to help, the afternoon Trial started on time and you would never have known we had a problem. Even the Judges at presentations commented on the Club support. Thanks again for making my job so much easier.

Now we are on to our Open Obedience Trial, which is to be held on Sunday 16 July and once again we will be asking for your help and support, so please keep this date in mind.

Happy Trialing – Janelle Convery – Trial Secretary

Grounds Manager

Congratulations to the Editor, who is also our Secretary, for this our 100th Edition of our magazine "Faithfully Yours". Well done.

The Agility Trial is gone. The working bee on the night before was well attended, which was a change to the Saturday and Tuesday before that. Also, the day itself saw many helping hands. I must especially mention the three young boys who really impressed me with their willingness. Well done boys!!

One week before the Trial, our President Leonie, spent two and a half-hours on the phone to drum up some support and the personal contact on training day paid off. All the forms and paperwork it seems cannot beat the face to face approach. We did get some water on the ground, but not by the Council, even though they were going to do it, but St Peter showed mercy on our dry ground.

Congratulations to our Trial Secretary, Janelle, for having organised all the arrangements in the weeks leading up to the day, especially finding Clubs where we could obtain the extra equipment needed. Well done Janelle. Many members do not realise that it takes weeks of work before, to get a day like this staged. Therefore, members, to ease the pressure show your willingness to help long before the next event, which is our Obedience Trial on Sunday 16th July.

Now for the next working bee on the grounds, etc, we are trying something new. It will be held on Sunday 2 July in the afternoon following training, together with a BBQ. So please keep this marked on your social calendar.

Thanks to everybody that helped me to enjoy a Trial Day for a change, because everything was put away in no time

Fred Lehrmann - Grounds Manager

Reports (cont)

Hall Manager

Congratulations to the hardworking members of our Club who compile Faithfully Yours every month and have now produced the 100th edition. This is something to be very proud of and I for one appreciate not only being kept up to date with Club news, but also the interesting extractions on training and understanding your dog, as well as the information on various dog breeds.

This is my first year and also my first time in a Committee position and I have come to see just how much work goes into making sure Obedience Classes are there for us each Sunday. Many of the Committee members, Instructors and Supervisors forfeit the training of their own dogs or are doing the jobs of two or three people on any Sunday. For this reason I appeal to all Club members to answer, where possible, their call for help.

Finally, I have to say how impressed I was by the number of people who came to the working bee on Friday 5th May, despite the weather. Many hands made light work and I thank these people very much.

Linda Hunter – Hall Manager

Social Secretary

Hello Everyone, this is the 100th Edition of our Club Newsletter. Much has been going on at the Club; we had a very successful Christmas breakup last year, which included a Karaoke night, which allowed our members to show their singing talents. Maybe we could start up our own singing group (look our Bardot).

There was also a Christmas party for the children with a surprise visit from Santa. The children were happy enough to talk to him and he gave out bags of lollies, then the funday began with members, their four-legged friends and children joining in the fun.

Our Trials have been successful for the Club and the Spirit of the West, hopefully next year we can bring back the shield.

Christine Bromley – Social Secretary

Training Supervisor

Well, our first Promotion Day for the year has come and gone with success stories and tales of disappointment being told. All went fairly smoothly on the day – it is a huge task to organise everything and a vote of thanks to everyone who helped out.

To those handlers who were successful and have moved on to the next level of training – congratulations – and to those who were not – persistence, patience and praise will help you achieve your goals – hang in there!

As always we are faced with a chronic lack of Instructors with illness, the training of new pups and personal commitments depleting our ranks yet again. Unfortunately we will continue to have large classes, dissatisfied handlers and lots of members who do not want to be part of the Club activities, while this attitude of apathy prevails. It does take a big commitment to become involved in the training side, but there is always a great sense of achievement in watching our canine friends turn from monsters into obedient models with lots of help along the way.

My grateful thanks, as always, to the hard working Instructors.

Desma Dickeson – Training Supervisor

Reports (cont)

Shop Manager

Hello everybody, I am the Shop Manager – Ray Rogers. I first started with the Club about 4 years ago, training 2 dogs with my wife Cheryl. One a Terrier X named “Ellie” who passed all three certificates and the other an Alaskan Malamute called “Lady. Unfortunately for her and us we later found out she had a bone deficit disorder and therefore had to put training on hold.

For me another job came up as Shop Manager replacing Wendy Ganly and I have been Manager for the last 2 years or thereabouts. There are too many individual people around the Club to thank personally, so this is one way I can say it to you all and a very big thank you for your help and support now for the shop.

Dogs are most welcome in the shop, which is open half an hour before training, and between the two sessions.

Ray Rogers – Shop Manager



Fido Facts

A hunt for England's oldest dog has turned up a Papillon named “Fred” who is nearing his 27th birthday. Owner Diane Mooney says Fred has an amazing constitution – he goes out every morning for a stroll around the garden and doesn't come back til late afternoon. England's oldest dog on record is a Welsh Collie named “Taffy” who died at the age of 27 years and 313 days.



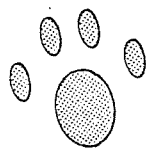
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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership renewals are with us again and you will find your form on the back of the 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 mid week or Sunday until Monday 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-address envelope for return of your membership card and receipt.

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TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP AND RENEWAL FEE

Single/Junior	\$15.00 + \$1.50 (GST) = \$16.50
Family/Dual	\$20.00 + \$2.00 (GST) = \$22.00
Pensioner Single	\$ 7.50 + \$0.75 (GST) = \$ 8.25
Pensioner Family/Dual	\$10.00 + \$1.00 (GST) = \$11.00

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. Library membership is \$2.00 per year (GST inclusive).

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

What is?

What is a Cat?

1. Cats do what they want.
2. They rarely listen to you
3. They're totally unpredictable.
4. When you want to play, they want to be alone.
5. When you want to be alone, they want to play.
6. They expect you to cater to their every whim.
7. They're moody
8. They leave hair everywhere.

Conclusion: They're tiny women in little fur coats.



What is a Dog?

1. Dogs spend all day sprawled on the most comfortable piece of furniture in the house.
2. They can hear a package of food opening half a block away, but don't hear you when you're in the same room.
3. They can look dumb and lovable all at the same time.
4. They growl when they are not happy.
5. When you want to play, they want to play.
6. When you want to be alone, they want to play.
7. They leave their toys everywhere.
8. They do disgusting things with their mouths and then try to give you a kiss.
9. They go right for your crotch as soon as they meet you.

Conclusion: They're tiny men in little fur coats.

To All Members

At the Committee Meeting held on 2 May discussion was raised regarding the number of sanctioned Trials conducted by our Club and the amount of work involved in running these Trials, particularly Agility, as the Club only owns one set of Masters equipment and must hire or borrow the other two sets

Although the Committee recognises that a reduction in the number of Trials is not necessarily, in the best interests of the Club, a recommendation to the next General Meeting that the number of Trials be reduced in the year 2001 needs to be considered.

If you wish to take part in this decision, the next General Meeting will be held on —

Tuesday 6 June

Meeting to commence at 7.30 pm with a talk by Senior Constable Robert Burton from the Police Dog Squad, followed by a half hour coffee break and the General Meeting commencing at 9.00 pm.

Club Calendar

July

Sunday	2 July	Puppy and Class One Intake – for fully vaccinated puppies & dogs. “ CLEAN UP YOUR CLUB DAY ” commencing after training
Monday	3 July	Entries close – Open Obedience Trial
Thursday	6 July	Puppy Kinder – for puppies approx. 8 - 16 weeks
Sunday	9 July	Promotion day
Saturday	15 July	Newsletter closes for all articles, reports and Trial results
Sunday	16 July	Open Obedience Trial - NO TRAINING
Monday	17 July	Instructor's Meeting – 8.00 pm
Sunday	23 July	Puppy Intake – for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Sunday	30 July	July Newsletter available
Monday	31 July	Membership renewals close - new joining fee applies



We Are a Weird Mob!

These are actual questions people have sent to the Sydney Olympic website. Answers have been suggested where necessary. (from www.news.com.au).

Q: Does it ever get windy in Australia? I have never seen it rain on TV, so how do the plants grow? (Britain)

A: Upwards, out of the ground

Q: Will I be able to see kangaroos in the street? (US)

A: Depends on how much hops you've consumed

Q: Which direction should I drive – Perth to Darwin or Darwin to Perth – to avoid driving with the sun in my eyes? (Germany)

A: Excellent question considering that the Olympics are being held in Sydney

Q: Are there any ATM's in Australia? Can you send me a list of them in Brisbane, Cairns, Townsville and Harvey Bay? (Britain)

A: Which bank?

Q: Please send a list of all doctors in Australia who can dispense rattlesnake serum. (US)

A: Spoken with some venom!!!

Q: Do you have perfume in Australia? (France)

A: Can I put this chap on the right scent?

Q: Can you tell me the regions in Tasmania where the female population is smaller than the male population? (Italy)

A: This is a tall order!

Q: Are there supermarkets in Sydney and is milk available all year round? (Germany)

A: Whey to go!

Q: Will I be able to speak English most places I go? (US)

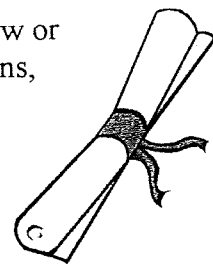
A: Yes, if what you speak in America can be regarded in English.

What is an Obedience Title really? - Author Unknown

Not a brag. Not just a stepping stone to a bigger Title. Not just an adjunct to competitive scores. A title is a tribute to the dog that bears it. It's a way to honour the dog. An ultimate memorial that will remain on record and in memory for about as long as anything in this world can remain.

Few humans will do as well or better in that regard. Although the dog itself doesn't know or care that it's achievement has been noted, a Title says many things in the world of humans, where such things count.

It says your dog was intelligent and adaptable and good-natured. It says that your dog loved you enough to do the things that pleased you, however crazy they might have sometimes seemed to him.



An Obedience Title says that you loved your dog and that you loved to spend time with it because it was such a good dog. It says that you believed in it enough to give it yet another chance when it failed and that, in the end, your faith was justified.

An Obedience Title proves that your dog inspired you to the special relationship enjoyed by so few. In the world of disposable creatures, this dog with a Title was greatly loved and in return, loved its owner greatly.

When that dear short life is over, the Title remains as a memorial of the finest kind, the best you can give to a deserving friend. It speaks volumes of praise in one small set of initials after the name. An Obedience Title is nothing less than love and respect given and received and permanently recorded.

Quick Wit

A woman awoke excitedly on Valentine's Day and announced enthusiastically to her husband, "I just dreamed that you gave me a pearl necklace for Valentine's day! What do you think it means?"

With certainty in his voice, the man said, "You'll know tonight". That evening the man came home with a small package and handed it to his wife.

With anxious anticipation the woman quickly opened the package to find a book entitled – "the Meaning of Dreams"

Great lines from job evaluations Sent in by Elaine Longshaw

1. I would not allow this employee to breed
2. When she opens her mouth, it seems it is only to change whichever foot was previously there.
3. He would be out of his depth in a parking lot puddle
4. He sets low personal standards and then consistently fails to achieve them
5. This employee is depriving a village somewhere of an idiot
6. This employee should go far and the sooner he starts, the better
7. Got into the gene pool when the lifeguard wasn't watching
8. Got a full 6-pack, but lacks the plastic thingy to hold it together
9. A gross ignoramus – 144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus
10. A photographic memory, but with the lens cover glued on
11. Donated his brain to science before he was done using it



MUREYBET TOUCH A STAR ET "TORI"

Owned and trained by Gay McKiernan – Whelped 5 October 1997

On the 29th April, Altona Civic Obedience Dog Club hosted an Endurance Test. Quite a few of us in Leonie's Class expressed an interest in entering, but on the day, Dorothy Mottram and myself were the only ones to brave the early start.

I got the kids' babysat (a feat in itself, with 3 of them) and managed to arrive with 15 minutes to spare, (see Leonie, I can do it!) The test is a 20 km run for the dogs (bikes for their less-fit human companions) to be covered in 3 legs over 3 various terrains'. There is a vet check and rest period at the end of each leg.

Tori handled the distance well, still trying to pull the bike along at the completion of the last leg, but her temperature had risen to 40 degrees in the middle leg. With the help of some seasoned "ET handlers" and a water spray bottle, her temperature came down to 39.5 degrees and she was allowed to continue. Despite the temperature rise, her heart rate at all checks was surprisingly low.

I knew she was up to the challenge as bike, dog and human had done a fair amount of preparation. Still, it was rewarding to finish and hear the applause as the dogs crossed the finish line; (Obedience people really are a genuine lot!)

Congratulations Tori – you deserve the award!!!

Gay McKiernan



TRIAL DATES

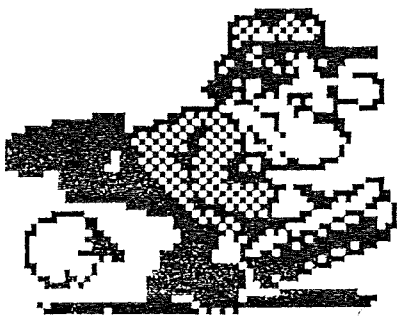
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Saturday	8 July	Agility	Sunbury O D C	
Sunday	9 July	Obedience	GSD D C	
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Sunday	16 July	Obedience	Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc	
Saturday	22 July	Tracking	Gippsland O D C	★
Sunday	23 July	Tracking	Gippsland O D C	★
Monday	24 July	Tracking	Gippsland O D C	
Saturday	29 July	Agility	Moorabbin O D C	
Saturday	29 July	Tracking	Murray Valley O D C	
Sunday	30 July	Tracking	Murray Valley O D C	
Saturday	5 August	Agility & Obedience	Victorian Canine Assoc	
Sunday	6 August	Tracking	Murray Valley O D C	
Saturday	12 August	Tracking	GSD D C	

"Clean up your Club Day"

Sunday 2 July

Commencing after training

Free Sausage Sizzle



The Bar will be open

Bring along your gardening
gloves, whipper snippers,
mowers, chain saws and
pruning saws

Help also needed to possibly
clean and paint equipment.



Your help is needed

IS THERE A WOLF INSIDE YOUR DOG?

By

Bev Jackson – Life Member Bendigo Obedience Dog Club and owner of a Wildlife Shelter in Bright

The normal household consists of a house, a car, 2.5 children and a dog. But is that a cute little puppy asleep on your child's knee or a wolf in disguise with the same instincts as a wild animal, then maybe we should look at our dogs in a different light.

Over the centuries of domestication, we have had many different breeds for different reasons, yet despite this fact, unless the dog is well socialised with humans before 14 weeks of age, the chances of forming a bond is not good, if not near impossible. We imprint at an early age that as upright creatures we give the appearance of being more dominant which helps us to have control, but when we loose that control and end up with a dog that bites the hand that feeds it, WHO IS AT FAULT.

Forget for a while the different breeds and look at the instincts inherited, it is obvious hey this has arisen. When we look at the social structure of wolves, feral dogs or domestic dogs, we are after all looking at a pack animal and all pack animals have a pecking order and every individual knows its place.

Once we understand and use these rules, all that is needed is a withering look from ALPHA (PACK LEADER) to insure order is maintained. We, as humans not understanding this, try to teach our dogs our values, but the dog can only learn canine values. We muddle by and it is a tribute to the dog that eventually learns to live with such inconsistent creatures as humans.

Let's look at some rights and privileges that are given to the ALPHA figure and the way some of us live with our dogs. We can see where the communications break down between the two species and why we can end up with a problem or disobedient dog.

1. It is the right of the ALPHA to sleep where it wishes, BUT NOBODY ELSE sleeps in its bed. How many owners have dogs with beanbags, baskets, etc to sleep in, but the dog doesn't always use them? Yet these same dogs are allowed up on the bed for a cuddle in the morning. Many also have areas such as under the kitchen table or behind the lounge chair that are a favourite resting-place. In short, the dog can sleep where it likes – who is ALPHA?
2. It is the right of ALPHA to have the richest pickings and eat first; the rest of the pack eats what is left. Example – I recently had a lady come to me because her cute little dog use to sit begging for food whenever she went to a BBQ over the summer, but never did this at home. It turned out that the dog was fed after she had her meal at home, but because BBQ's with friends were held after the dog's mealtime, she fed the dog first. So BBQ time meant the dog was ALPHA over friends.
3. It can win all fighting and strength games. Tug games are fun and the amount of tug toys around proves this, BUT there are rules that must be followed. A male handler complained to me that his dog took his shoes, socks, etc. When asked if he played tug games, his answer was "yes, but I know I have to win". Great, then I asked what happened to the toy. "Oh, I give it to the dog". So, if the dog went off with the trophy, IT HAD WON. If you play games with your dog, they are your toys; not the dogs and you MUST always end up with it. Again rough and tumble games are played by all puppies to find the ALPHA of the litter and how many times, when we are playing, do we hear puppy growl and stop the game. Do not teach your puppy, that when it growls the game is over, stop the game before it gets to that point.
4. On a daily basis we let the dog show it's superior rank. When going up stairs or maybe while out walking the dog rushes in front and waits, looking down from up on a rise and we lower our eyes (to see where we are walking) and avoid eye contact. Always make sure you go up the stairs, etc first.

Is there a Wolf inside your Dog? (cont)

5. We allow the dog to rush through narrow openings of the den, do not disturb it when sleeping and walk around it. Doorways and gates are key areas in the house (den), generally the dog rushes past its owner and we usually regard this as excitement. Teach your dog to sit and wait until you have gone through the door first, then invite the dog in. Does your dog lie across doorways and passage ways and when you ask it to move, it groans and stretches, so in the end you walk around it? Teach your dog this is NOT the place to sleep. In the wild ALPHA goes first through openings and pathways and where it walks everyone moves out of its way.
6. We respond to its demands for affection – but we accept its refusal to comply with our demands. You have just sat down to watch TV or read a book, when your arm is being forced in the air by your dog wanting to be patted. We respond, partly because we know if we don't the dog would persist, anyway, let's face it, we love the display of affection they are showing us.

Our dogs do not ask for the rights we give them with love and without realising it, so we must accept that the dog will take on the responsibility of the ALPHA in the household, the job WE have given it.

The ALPHA is responsible to –

1. Lead the pack – that is why it pulls on the lead
2. Keep the pack together – it runs backward and forward when off lead. Take note it is always running in a circle and around us – it is herding us
3. Protect the pack – that is why it is aggressive to other dogs that invade our territory or warns off joggers
4. Defends the den – that is why it is either aggressive or over exuberant when visitors arrive

The list goes on and on – behaviour patterns – dogs that exhibit them are not necessarily bad, disobedient or aggressive. They are usually just dogs that are accepting the responsibilities WE have given them!

WARNING - Reversing the rules can be done, but if your dog growls at you, it may mean you need expert help.

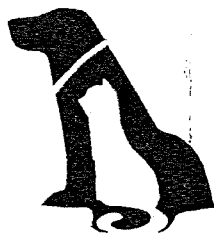
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Just thought I would email you to let you know how much I enjoyed my first day of Kinder.

I made lots of new friends and I especially like the look (and smell!) of little Sandy who sat next to us. I really like the bit where I got treats while my owners kept pushing my bottom down. I can't quite remember what they were saying while they were doing itHIT, SICK, BIT....., something like that, but I'm sure it will come to me if they feed me more treats!!!!

I'm looking forward to next Thursday to catch up on all the "goss" in the dog world so I'll see you both there. Oh, before I go, would you mind having a word to my owners about meal time. Ever since Kinder I seem to be being fed last out of the whole family!! Obviously they have misunderstood something you've told them and I'm sorry about the little "accident" I left on the floor. I was telling my masters that I wanted out, but I don't have them trained that well yet as to what I'm talking about. Ah, it all takes time!!!!

See you next week

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THE NEWSLETTER 'S LIFE

By

Elaine Longshaw

In 1984 I believed there was a need to let all members know what was happening in their Club. To this end I suggested distributing a Newsletter, which would contain -

- (a) a calendar of club events
- (b) a record of members achievements in the Obedience rings
- (c) a calendar of the upcoming Obedience Trials in an endeavour to generate more people to enter and barrack for those who did
- (d) a list of the Instructors and their phone numbers so people could notify their Instructor if they were unable to attend the next week's training session.

So as our President was always saying that no one ever used the 'suggestion box' that he had made, I wrote my idea down and submitted it to 'the box'. So, I got brownie points for being the first to use it. Fortunately, the Committee agreed to the idea and said it was a "goer", on the condition that I get it up and going and we try it out bi-monthly.

So out with my trusty portable typewriter (and I must say MANUAL one) and away the fingers went. At this stage we only had an old Gestetner printing machine so all the work was typed on stencils. My initial printing team consisted of Jim Ball and Barry Elliott with a few supervisors on standby. The first edition had three pages - we were off! Needless to say I was thrilled with this and then started searching out articles from Newspapers, being mindful to contact the papers concerned for permission to use their articles, and started sourcing out Vets to write for me. I also listened to and watched what was happening in and around the Club as a whole, thus enabling me to write my editorials and start 'Tit-bit Corner'.

I often had split fingers and was a walking advertisement for Band-Aids so was delighted when one of our members, the late Enid Slattery offered me the use of an electric typewriter whenever I needed it - much easier to type on and it offered different type faces. Fortunately one of our members, the late Jan Boeyen was working for a firm who sold printing machines so the next few editions were actually typed on normal paper and run off courtesy of the printing firm, and as I had advanced to producing 19 pages, the timing was fortuitous.

However, by Issue No.5 the 'golden goose' had gone, and we went back to typing stencils and living off the smell of the pink correcting fluid that was part and parcel of them. Back to the dark ages of blackened hands and other parts of the anatomy for my press crew. By Issue No.14 the Club had purchased an electric typewriter for the Secretary, and having access to this every two months it made life somewhat simpler as it was residing in Ocean Grove at that stage.

Somewhere along the way here we changed over to a more up-market stencil press printer which gave a little more scope in what you could actually get on to the stencil and we started to think about the possibility of advertising copy. Issue No.20 saw the new Club Logo on our front cover and then in Issue No.22 we had our first paid advertisement placed by Charlie Bartolo. It certainly wasn't great, as using the stencils tended to make

The Newsletter's Life – Elaine Longshaw

any drawings disappear into a black blobs, but it was progress and Charlie was paying for it!

Issue No.47 in July 1992 was a milestone. The club had run two separate competitions for members

(a) submit a name for the Newsletter

(b) design a cover

and this was the start of 'Faithfully Yours'. More incentive for me to keep on typing!

Throughout these years, at times it was difficult to find our printing machine and all its parts, as they were transported to different member's homes during flooding and un-roofing. So much mumbling went on and many hands on deck retrieved the machine to start the presses rolling yet again. To those who kept those inky presses rolling namely, our late members, Anton Pape and Dick Wiltink we owe many thanks. By Issue No.40 the club joined the 'new age' and purchased a Photocopier. Hooley, dooley, no more pink correction fluid and as the typewriter had a self-correcting ribbon, life was much easier.

As the Club changed Secretaries over the years it was not always easy getting access to the typewriter when I wanted it, so I despaired of chasing around and purchased my own electric typewriter in 1992 which meant I could type up all the information and articles I had sourced whenever I had time (must admit did Newsletter typing at various places of employment over the years when I had any free time to try and lighten the workload) and that left me with just the reports from Committee members and such like and my Editorial to do in the last frantic stages. I had a little bug living with me that said I had to retype everything then that was handed to me until such time as we got the photocopier, and that then gave me a bit of leeway.

At times the photocopier had distinct temperament problems, and one suspects may well have suffered from the early stages of distemper, and this put a lot of pressure on those members who spent long and frustrating hours waiting whilst it reluctantly spat out the copies. Our second machine has passed its Merit Certificate but still requires people to feed it and tend to it in order to soothe the beast. Issue No. 73 saw me finally relinquish the reins, and a letter to that effect was published in Issue No.74.

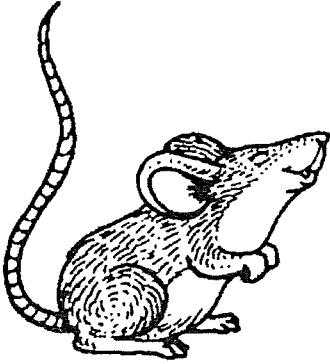
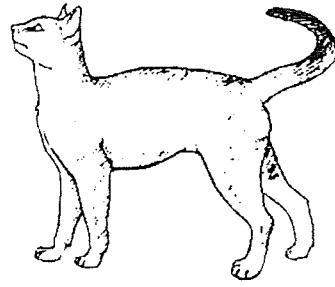
Elaine Longshaw

P.S. As time went on, I ran different ideas through the Committees of the day and the General Meetings as to what else I would like to incorporate into the Newsletters, some came to fruition easily, and others didn't quite make it whilst I was still writing and typing. One that I pushed for quite a few years was the inclusion of the Minutes of General Meetings, and fortunately we are now able to read those in our Newsletters, thus allowing members to comment on what transpired and to put forward alternative suggestions at ensuing meetings. That's the theory anyway, and I'm sticking to it!

PPS. I may have purchased my typewriter to type the Newsletter, but believe me when I say, I now have a computer for my benefit!

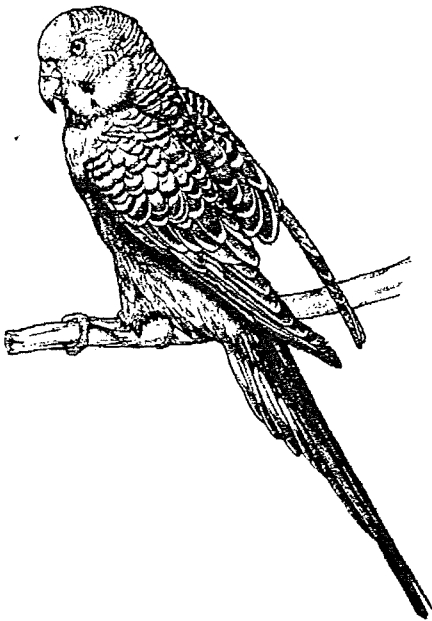
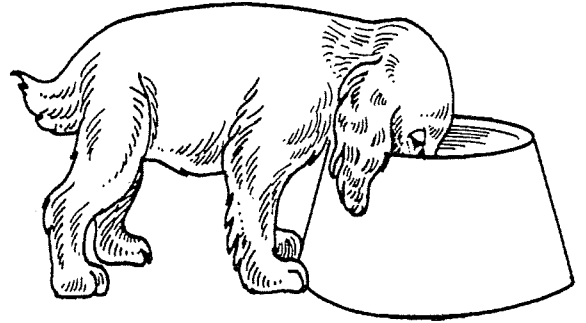
POEM FOR PET LOVERS

I'll lend you for a little time a pet of mine
For you to love her while she lives
And mourn for when she dies
It may be six or seven years
Or twenty-two or three
But will you till I call her back
Take care of her for me?

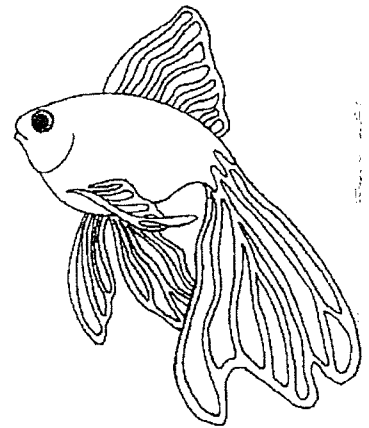


She will bring her charms to gladden you
And should her stay be brief
Promise she will have her lovely memories
As solace for your grief
I cannot promise she will stay
Since all from earth return
But there are lessons taught down there
I wish my pets to learn

I have looked the wide world over
In my search for teachers true
And from the throngs that crowds life's lanes
I have selected you
Please will you give her all your love
And not think the labour vain
Nor hate me when I come to call
To take her back again



I fancied that I heard myself say
"Dear Lord, thy will be done"
For all the joy my pets shall bring
I'll risk the grief I'll run
I'll shelter her with tenderness
I'll love her while I may
And for the happiness I've known
For ever grateful stay
And should the angels call for her
Much sooner than I'd planned
I'll brave the bitter grief that comes
And try to understand



AN OPEN INVITATION TO ATTEND A SEMINAR BY:

PETER McNABB

**VISPAT Program Supervisor
GUIDE DOG ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA**

AT : GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

7.30 PM TUESDAY 30TH MAY

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The Guide Dog Association's Visiting Pets as Therapy program is a free service. VISPAT is operating throughout Melbourne, and the program is now expanding to Geelong. The program coordinates the visits of volunteers accompanied by their dogs to hospitals, hostels, rehabilitation centres and nursing homes. Visits from VISPAT volunteers can be arranged for both weekdays and weekends, daytime and evenings.

Please come along, support this great community service and help spread the word. Even if you don't wish to volunteer yourself, the lecture will provide an interesting and inspiring insight into the special relationships formed between dogs and humans.

For further enquiries call Kathy Sproat on 5261 3100 (AH)

Meeting opened: 8.00 pm

Apologies: J Brophy, B Mackey, L Gaylard, P Bergin, J Convery, B Lawrence, D Dickeson, C Humphreys, E Longshaw

Acc: K Devlin

Seconded: C Davies

Carried

Minutes from the previous General Meeting as distributed in the Newsletter, taken as read

Acc: C Shields

Seconded: L Hunter

Carried

Business arising from the Minutes

Nil

Correspondence Out – Geelong Animal Welfare Society

Correspondence In – VCA re President's and Secretary's Conference, Australian Red Cross, Walk for Animal Welfare, Delta Society, Mrs Dot Pape, K Ciezarek, Farmvision

Acc: J Shields

Seconded: G McCraw

Carried

Business arising from Correspondence

1. President's and Secretary's Conference – deferred to General Business

2. Delta Society Puppy training and socialisation – After some discussion, M McNair moved 'that if someone is interested in attending the Seminar on behalf of the Club, the Club would pay the expenses'.

Seconded: G McCraw

Carried

3. Letter K Ciezarek – F Lehrmann moved 'that we accept K Ciezarek's resignation with regret'

Seconded: J Shields

Carried

Treasurer's Report

J Ball presented written report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment

Acc: K Devlin

Seconded: P Pope

Carried

Other Reports

Canteen Manager – Written report attached to Minutes

Hall Manager – Written report attached to Minutes.

Ground/Equipment Manager – With the lack of rain there is no grass to cut, which certainly makes the dog droppings visible. Thank you to G McCraw for his help with the equipment for the Trial.

Publicity Officer – A Trueman explained why the Club had withdrawn from Farmvision after discussions with John Jackson.

Social Secretary – C Bromley reported on the Social evening for Instructor's and Committee

F Lehrmann gave a report on the Open Day held on 12 April. The day was very successful
Acc: C Shields Seconded: G McCraw Carried

1. L Kelleher asked if members had any suggestions for the President's and Secretary's Conference. As no suggestions were forthcoming, members were asked to give it some thought before the next General Meeting.
2. Two members have nominated to fill the two vacant Committee positions – F Mackey and W McCraw –, as there were no further nominations, both were duly elected. W McCraw to take the position of Canteen Manager from 30 June 2000.
3. P Convery asked how members felt regarding a few new members who still came down, after being given mid week hours, and paid membership on a Sunday morning. After lengthy discussion it was decided that these members be given day passes and asked to complete their memberships during office hours.
4. P Convery read a quote from Ricoh for the lease of a photocopier. After discussion it was decided to get a comparison quote.
5. M McNair spoke regarding Surf Coast Shires new registration tags and their unwillingness to purchase a microchip scanner. Members agreed to a letter being sent to Surf Coast Shire requesting an explanation of their decision not to purchase a scanner.

Meeting closed at: 9.30 pm



The Committee, Instructors and Members would like to welcome the following new members who have joined our Club recently. We hope your stay is a long and happy one.

Nankervis Brenda : Panckridge Family
Greene Kendra : Baldwin Family
Meagher Amanda/Tbbetson Scott
Fletcher Family : Heard Family
Lower Family : Cooper Family

Gibson Family
Craig Ben/Breed Amanda
Dunbar Family
Vanderpligt Michelle

Manley Carmel
Deglaitis Kim/Shields Ann
Jolly Lisa
Kelly Michelle

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Dear Ms Convery

Re: **COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF DECEASED DOGS
KILLED ON THE ROAD**

Thank you for your letter of 1 August 1999.

Firstly, let me apologise for not replying sooner; your letter was placed on the file with other information being placed upon it and therefore was out of sight. The fault is mine, and for this I apologise.

I advise that dogs killed on the road are not collected by Council Local Laws Officers but rather by City Services staff who occupy overall a great number of duty trucks. There are numerous duty trucks travelling in and around the city and they are not issued with microchip scanning equipment. To do so would be cost exorbitant, particularly when microchipping of an animal is not mandated through legislation.

Identification of dogs, as far as the Council is concerned, is via registration and the animal wearing the Council allocated registration marker. Each marker is uniquely numbered and pertains to that particular registered animal. Name and address details, and, where advised telephone numbers, are recorded in Council's computer system in relation to animal registrations.

Therefore, responsible pet owners who have registered their dogs will be advised of their animal's untimely death. The aspects of dogs wandering and potentially causing damage as a result of an accident draws the same conclusion as described above. The method of identifying an animal is through Council registration. Of course, this only applies to animals which are over six months of age which are subject to compulsory registration. Council is looking at advertising the potential to register animals before they reach the age of six months free of charge. This is currently being mooted internally by staff to see how a system of this nature could be managed.

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I trust this explains Council's position in regard to dogs that are killed on the road and once again, I apologise for the lateness of the reply.

Yours sincerely


P L Joynson
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Yet always there

There was a shadow played with me
A joyous game called Life
And always there

There was a shadow guarded me
Carefully, each night and day
But always there

Where is my shadow? Gone
from me
and Life too soon
Memories - always there!

Val Moeller



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DOG/DETAILS - Dogs training at the Club

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

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

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