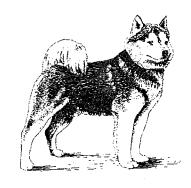
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#### VALE

#### Dick Wiltink - President, Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc

Dick Wiltink, VCA Judge, President and valued member of Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc passed away suddenly on Saturday 8 January 2000.

Dick was a member of our Club for many years and I first met him years ago during a Trial at the Club. I was helping the Raffle Steward sell tickets when I spotted this well-dressed gentleman and I thought he would be good for a few tickets and indeed I was right.

After a short conversation, we discovered we came from the same country (Holland) and would you believe we worked at the same trade both learning the Plumbing trade from our fathers, so we had a lot in common and became good friends.

As I stated before Dick was a valued member of the Club and over the years he wrote articles about dogs and dog training for our Newsletter. As an Instructor, he helped many members with Trial training and I am sure with his help many gained their Titles.

Several years ago Dick decided he would like to become a Judge and after working hard as an aspiring Judge and several attempts, Dick passed his exam as a Novice Judge which made him very proud. His next step, he told me, was to try for his Open license.

A few weeks before the Annual General Meeting in October 1999, he told me he had been asked to stand for the President's position and I replied, "if you think you would like the job and have the time, then go for it". He was duly elected and in the brief time he held the position he enjoyed the job and was looking forward to serving the Club.

Dick will be missed as a Club member and I will miss him as a friend.

#### Anton Pape

Life member - Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc

#### **SECRETARY**

Welcome back everyone, I hope you had a very happy Christmas and New Year. I think I've seen enough fireworks to last me for quite some time.

Regrettably, the New Year wasn't very old when we heard of the sudden death of our President, VCA Judge and long-standing member, Dick Wiltink. Dick took on the position of President at the Annual General Meeting in October and, although I had known Dick for several years as a Judge, it was the first time I had the opportunity to see Dick as a Club member, instead of worrying if my dog was sitting or standing. He was approaching his new role and the New Year with great enthusiasm and I was really looking forward to working with him. Sadly, that is not to be. Vale Dick.

As always happens, the first part of this year will prove to be very hectic with all the holiday long weekends and special events which occur early in the year. Watch out for further information regarding Red Cross Collection, Farmvision, Pako Festa, Good Friday Fish BBQ, Walk for Animal Welfare and possibly The Spirit of the West Challenge all in the next three months. And of course, there will be a Promotion Day as well, so training will be a top priority. Good luck, whatever your endeavors and goals for the year may be and don't forget your Instructors, Training Supervisor and Committee are there to help if you encounter a problem.

Pam Convery - Secretary

#### Reports (cont)

#### TRIAL SECRETARY

My deepest sympathy to Elenor and family for the sudden and untimely loss of Dick, he will be sadly missed at the Club and around the Trials

Even though we are just returning to training our first Trial for the year will come around very quickly with our back-to-back Agility Trial on Saturday 6 May. Our Trials were extremely well supported by members last year and we do appreciate your help. So keep the 6<sup>th</sup> of May in mind, when once again we will be needing Stewards, Cakes for the Cake Stall, help at the working bees and all the other extra hands that go to making our Trials so successful, which strengthens the awareness of the Club in the dog world. Further details closer to the date.

We would also like to see more members considering Trialing with their dog, we have some excellent working teams in the Classes. If you would like further information please see your Instructor or myself any Sunday morning.

My best wishes for a successful training and Trialing year

Ianelle Convery - Trial Secretary

#### TRAINING SUPERVISOR

My first report for the year 2000 and due to tragic and unforeseen circumstances it will be brief.

Welcome back to all and I hope both handlers and dogs are well rested and ready to meet the challenges of training that this year will bring. Congratulations to all the people and puppies that participated in the Puppy Kinder Classes throughout last year and good luck with your training on Sunday mornings. If anyone has a problem please let me know so we can reach a solution – we can't try to fix things we know nothing about!

New dogs and puppies will start classes a week after the current members return – this eases the huge pressure and workload on the first day for Instructors.

One behalf of all the Instructors – our deepest sympathy to Elenor and family on the very sudden and sad death of our President, VCA Judge and fellow Instructor – he was a dear friend – Vale Dick.

Desma Dickeson - Training Supervisor





# CANS ONLY COLLECTION



Thank you for your support of our Can and Bottle Collection



As the Club is now being charged to take away glass we will no longer be collecting bottles, but your cans will still be gratefully received



Cans can be left at the Compound on the South West corner of the grounds

# "PAKO FESTA"

The Club will be taking part in the Pako Festa Street Procession on

# Saturday 26 February

The procession is held in the morning and if you would like to take part and walk with the Club, please place your name on the clipboard next to the Shop on the verandah.

Further information regarding meeting place and time will be available shortly, so please listen to Class Announcements. White T-shirts and Polo shirts are available in the Club Shop - \$10.00



#### THINGS WE CAN LEARN FROM A DOG From the Newsletter of Guardian Angel's School, Ashmore, Queensland.

Is life moving too fast for you? The kids/traffic/budget bugging you? Do you sometimes think you're losing the plot? Here are a few tips which may help

- Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.
- ♦ Allow the experience of fresh air and wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.
- When loved ones come home, always run to great them.
- Let others know when they've invaded your territory.
- Take naps and stretch before rising.
- Run, romp and play daily .... eat with gusto and enthusiasm.
- Be loyal ..... never pretend to be something you're not.
- If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
- ♦ When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.
  - Thrive on attention and let people touch you.
    Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
    - On hot days, drink lots of water and rest under a shady tree.
    - When you're happy dance around and wag your entire body.
  - No matter how often you're scolded don't buy into the "guilt thing" -
- run right back and make friends.

   Bond with your pack.
- Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.



# **SPECIALTY SASHES FOR 2000**

Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc Specialty Sashes will be awarded to the Highest Scoring Geelong Member at the following Trials. Please make sure you mark your entry form – Geelong Obedience Dog Club Member.

Day Saturday Sunday Sunday Saturday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday	Date  11 March 2000 12 March 2000 2 April 2000 29 April 2000 4 June 2000 25 June 2000 9 September 2000 10 September 2000 17 September 2000 22 October 2000 28 October 2000	Warrnambool Dog Training School Inc Warrnambool Dog Training School Inc Moorabin & District Obedience Dog Training Club Co-op Ltd Ballaarat Obedience Dog Club Inc Keilor Obedience Dog Training Centre Inc Broadmeadows Obedience Dog Club Inc Sunbury & District Obedience Dog Club Inc Northern Obedience Dog Club Inc Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc Altona Civic Obedience Dog Club Inc Werribee Obedience Dog Club Inc
Sunday	19 November 2000	Ballaarat Obedience Dog Club Inc

#### **CLUB CALENDAR**

February		
Tuesday	1 February	General Meeting - 8 pm – No guest speaker
Thursday	3 February	Puppy Kinder – for puppies approx 8 - 16 weeks
Sunday	6 February	Puppy and Class One Intake – for fully vaccinated puppies & dogs
Sunday	13 February	Class One Induction
Tuesday	15 February	Newsletter closes for all articles, reports and Trial results
Sunday	20 February	Puppy Intake – for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Sunday	27 February	February Newsletter available
March		
Thursday	2 March	Puppy Kinder – for puppies approx 8 - 16 weeks
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Sunday	12 March	Labour Day weekend - NO TRAINING
Wednesday	12 March 15 March	Labour Day weekend - NO TRAINING  Newsletter closes for all articles, reports and Trial results
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#### TRIAL DATES

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#### TO ALL MEMBERS ATTENDING TRIALS

The following changes have been made to the selection of "Obedience Dog of the Year" and "Agility Dog of the Year" Awards. Please read them carefully.

#### CHANGES TO "OBEDIENCE DOG OF THE YEAR" AWARD

'that any previous Motions are rescinded and the following procedure adopted for the selection of Obedience Dog of the Year Award'.

- 1. 'that three (3) scores only be submitted, two (2) of which are required to be passes (copies of Pass Cards to be supplied) and the third highest score to be verified by the Judge on the day at the Trial.
- 2. The highest total of all three (3) scores will be the winner'.

#### CHANGES TO "AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR" AWARD

'that any previous Motions are rescinded and the following points table to be used for the selection of Agility Dog of the Year Award.

	AD Level	ADX Level	ADM Level
Pass	4 points	5 points	6 points
First Place	3 points	4 points	5 points
Second Place	2 points	3 points	4 points
Third Place	1 point	2 points	3 points

Dogs do not have to get a pass to obtain placing points, but a pass must be obtained in the award year to win the award'.

#### CHANGES TO AWARDS AND TROPHY RECIPIENTS

'that all recipients of Club Trialing and Agility Awards/Trophies have to be active Club members and their dog/s shall have been trained on our grounds under supervision of authorised Club Instructors'.

#### APPLICATION FOR TITLE

If you gain a Title, the Secretary or Trial Secretary can give you the appropriate paper work to fill in for the Victorian Canine Association

#### **CLUBHOUSE PHOTO GALLERY**

All dogs that achieve a Title are entitled to have an 8' x 10' vertical photo on the Clubhouse wall. The Club supplies the frame, but there is a \$3.00 charge so your photo can be added to the Photo CD for storage.

#### NEWSLETTER TRIAL RESULTS

For Trial results to appear in the Newsletter, it is up to YOU to notify the Editor in writing or by phone. Provision has been made for all Members and their dogs that gain Titles, to place a HALF PAGE summary of their feat in the Newsletter. Once again, it is up to the Member to notify the Editor in writing, including a copy of your "Ad". The Newsletter closing date is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

#### VALE - "Sam"

"Sam" long time companion of Ron Matthews passed away on 8 November 1999

# DOG DISEASE - A new disease

## An Internet article sent in by several members

We have identified a new disease, probably caused by a virus among dog owning people. It apparently has been in existence for a considerable time, but only recently has anyone identified this disease and begun to study it. We call it the Acquired Canine Obsessive Syndrome (ACOS).

At first ACOS was originally considered to be psychological in nature, but after two young researchers here suddenly decided to become show breeders, we realised that we were dealing with an infectious agent. Epidemiologists here have identified three stages of this disease and typical symptoms, and they are-

#### A. You have the early symptoms (Stage 1) if;

- You think that any show within 300 miles is nearby
- 2. You begin to enjoy getting up at 5 am in the morning to walk and feed dogs
- 3. It is fun to spend several hours a day grooming dogs
- You think your being frugal if you spend less than \$3,000 a year on shows
- You can't remember what it was like to have just one dog.

#### B. You definitely have the disease (Stage 2) if;

- 1. Your most important factor when buying a car is how many crates you can fit in it
- 2. When you look for a house, the first thing you think of is how many dogs you can kennel on the property
- 3. Your dog food bill is higher than your family's
- 4. You spend as much on veterinarians as on doctors
- 5. You have no money because of showing dogs
- 6. You have to buy more than one vehicle a year, because you keep burning out the 7 year of 70,000 mile warranty going to shows
- 7. You have more pictures of the dogs than of your family
- 8. Your idea of a fun vacation is to hit a show circuit
- 9. Most of your conversations revolve around the dogs

#### C. You are a terminal case (Stage 3) if;

- 1. You wake up in the morning and find out that you put the kids in the crates and the dogs in the beds last night
- 2. You know each dog's name and pedigree, but can't figure out who that stranger in the house is, it turns out to be your husband/wife
- 3. Your neighbours keep insisting that those kids running around your house bothering the dogs are yours
- 4. You keep telling the kids to "heel" and can't understand why they won't and why they keep objecting to the choke chain
- 5. You cash in the kid's college trust fund to campaign the dogs
- 6. You've been on the road showing dogs so long that you can't remember where you live
- 7. Your family tells you, "it's either the dogs or us", you choose the dogs.

Do you have this dreaded disease? Well there is hope.

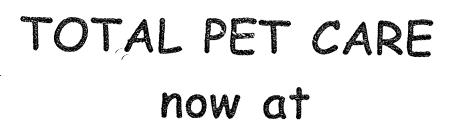
In the course of our research, we have found that most cases seem to stop at Stage 2 and remain chronic. We, with great difficulty managed to acquire several Stage 3 ACOS patients. They are currently in our isolation wards, where we are studying them to gain a better understanding of this disease. It is a sad sight, seeing these formerly vibrant people as they shuffle around their rooms in endless triangle or L patterns, making odd hand motions (as if holding a lead and baiting a dog) and making chirping noises. Merely saying the word "Crufts" can send them into an uncontrollable frenzy.

#### DOG DISEASE - A new disease (cont)

Unfortunately, there isn't much hope for these cases, but with time and research to further understand this disease, we hope to come up with a cure. We are now attempting to isolate the causative agent and may be able to develop a vaccine in the future.

An interesting sidelight of this disease seems to be that exposure at an early age has an immunising effect. Several people afflicted with ACOS at Stage 2 and Stage 3 have close family members (children, husbands, wives) who have absolutely no disease. It is thought, by some of our researchers, that this may be due to environmental effects, to an age-related immune function, or to the fact that those at these stages of the disease tend not to associate with their close family members, possibly due to the memory deficit induced by the disease – that is, in that they don't remember that they have close family members!

What can you do to prevent this disease? Until a cure is found, prevention is the measure. Avoid kennels advertising "show stock", since it may be that dogs are carriers of the disease. Leave town on those days that the local newspapers inform you of a show in the area. If you inadvertently come into contact with an ACOS-afflicted person, leave as soon as possible (they do tend to cling), and thoroughly shower, preferably with germicidal soap. If you are living with and ACOS-afflicted person, take comfort that, if you haven't succumbed yet, you are probably safe.



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# Results of the Fun Activities - Presentation Day Sunday 12 December 1999 CHILD HANDLERS

#### BEST DRESSED CHRISTMAS DOG

1st - Tammy Lawes and "Sandy"

2<sup>nd</sup> - Emily Salaviejus and "Bess"

3rd - Lauren Salaviejus and "Max"

#### FUN AGILITY ADULT HANDLERS

1st · Darryl Squires and "Pye" - 23.54 seconds 2<sup>nd</sup> - Joan Brophy and "Boris" - 32.24 seconds

#### CHILD HANDLERS

1st - Emily Saleviejus and "Bess" - 49.14 sec

<sup>nd</sup> – Lauren Saleviejus and "Max" – 52.83 sec.

5<sup>d</sup> - Megan Neill and "Molly" 1.02.30 sec

1st - Megan Neill and "Molly"

2<sup>nd</sup> - Rachael Wheeler and "Scarlett"

3<sup>rd</sup> - Joslin Squires and "Pye"

#### FASTEST GOOD-O EATER

1st - Joslin Squires and "Pye"

2<sup>nd</sup> - Gizella Palicko and "Kaleb"

3rd - Ray Trait and "Bonny"

#### CLOSEST DROP ON THE LINE

1st - Gizella Palicko and "Kaleb"

2<sup>nd</sup> Angie Trueman and "Toby"

3rd - Kevin Gates and "Beau"

Congratulations to all the successful members and thank you to Betty Lawrence and her helpers and all who took part in the activities.

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# DOG SHOWS IN AUSTRALIA – THE BEGINNING

Reprinted courtesy of Pal Digest - Spring 1994

"An exhibition of somewhat novel character (at least in these parts) in the shape of a bonifide Dog Show, took place yesterday. This we may note, is the first dog show held in the Australian colonies. 91 dogs entered and entries closed one week before the event. Exhibitors were required to record the breed, sex, age, and colour of their dogs, also whether bred in the colonies or imported. All dogs had to be at the exhibition by 9 am together with suitable chains and collars for their security. The general public, including ladies, were admitted between the hours of noon and 6 pm. It was advertised that a full and efficient band will be in attendance. The Judges were Messrs Elwin, Eddington and Ridge. Messrs Elwin and Ridges also exhibited several dogs and went home with a collection of first prizes".

"Prizes were awarded to the owners of the best bred dogs of both sexes (also to whelps under 6 months old) of any distinct variety or breed provided they were of sufficient merit. Breeds exhibited were Setters, Pointers, Spaniels and other field dogs, Greyhounds, Harriers, Beagles and Retrievers, Bulldogs, Bull Terriers, Rough Terriers, Smooth Terriers, Fox Terriers, Newfoundland's and Sheepdogs (Black and Tan Sheepdog, Esquimaux Poodle, Poodle and a Smithfield Colley). To the latter the reporters suggested the dog 'turn them down Hosier Lane', a feat the dog tried to do as far as circumstances permitted" — thus reported the Hobart Mercury on the first show held in Australia.

The Canine Exhibition of 1862 was conducted on November 12 at Mr Moore's Horse Bazaar in Liverpool Street, Hobart Town, by the newly formed Society for the Improvement in the Breed of Dogs (changed to the Canine Society in 1883).

The aims of the Society were "to encourage improvement in the Breed of Dogs, especially in the useful varieties and by inducing people to keep a good dog, to lessen, as far as possible, the number of useless curs with which the city is at present infested. The Society proposes holding

an Annual Show as the best means of effecting their object".

The second documented dog show and the first on the mainland, was in Melbourne in April 1864.

This show was held by the Acclimatisation Society, a body responsible for the introduction of many of the European and British species of birds, mammals and plants. The show was held at the Old Exhibition and 381 dogs were exhibited.

Early records of dog shows in Australia are scarce and most of what is known has been rediscovered by chance happening upon old newspaper reports, rather than from perusal of kennel club records. Some of these reports are more entertaining than historically informative as demonstrated by the 1892 report of a Victorian country show - "The dogs were a sorry lot, but it is most remarkable that the judge threw out nearly all the best dogs. This was most noticeable in the Bull Terrier and Fox Terrier classes. There was a fair brindle dog but the judge gave the decision to a pug-nosed, halfbreed brute of no value whatever. The Fox Terriers were never worse judged. We understand that judge was a local production. Well, we pity him for his want of knowledge".

The Victorian Poultry and Kennel Society was formed in 1877 but the new Society did not hold shows until 1880. The VPK Society conducted all shows in Victoria and Tasmania until 1916 when the Tasmanian Kennel Club was formed. In 1883 members agitated for a Stud Book which recorded 1500 dogs.

The VPKS called a meeting of associated clubs in 1909 and this was attended by delegates from Vic, NSW and SA. New rules were introduced governing classes and qualifications for the title of Champion and the VPK became incorporated. Classes included a Ladies Class for dogs owned by "ladies" who were members of the VPKC.

# Club Awards & Titles for 1999

Registered Dog of the Year

Ormslee Austral Abbot UD TD (Abbot)

Rottweiler

Helen Read

Associate Dog of the Year

Lass McCraw CD (Lass)

Associate

Gordon & Wendy McCraw

Agility Dog of the Year

Kurrawa Mia Casen UD ADM ET (Jake) Border Collie

John & Ann Maree Corrigan

# Committee/Instructor of the Year - John Shields

Congratulations to the following Members and their dogs who earned Titles

Companion Dog (CD)

Aust Ch Jahzorn Brilliant N Blue TD (Rasa)
Brittanique Kiss The Girls (George)

Kellick Riana Rose (Riana)

Lass McCraw (Lass)

Pirate (Pirate)

Seduisant Fancy That (Chrissy) Valenkar Ruby Valley (Tilley)

Valenkai Ruby Vaney (Tiney)

Rottweiler Poodle (Standard) Flat Coated Retriever

Associate Associate

Poodle (Miniature)
Poodle (Miniature)

Susie & John Baird Monica Smith

Craig & Lisa Walter Gordon & Wendy McCraw

Tina Button

John Blonk
John Blonk

Companion Dog Excellent (CDX)

Breebaron Hy Season CD (Elsa)

**GSD** 

John Quinn

Utility Dog (UD)

Ormslee Austral Abbot CDX (Abbot)

Rottweiler

Helei

Helen Read

M

Agility Dog (AD)

Zac Bohling (Zac)

Associate

Rebecca Bohling

Agility Dog Excellent (ADX)

Glentress Storm Rising (Misty)

Ruff AD ET (Ruff)

Border Collie

Associate

John & Ann Maree Corrigan

Cathy Bond

Tracking Dog (TD)

Ormslee Austral Abbot CDX (Abbot)

Rottweiler

Helen Read

Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX)

Aust Ch Jahzorn Brilliant N Blue CD TD (Rasa) Rottweiler

*V* 

Susie & John Baird

**Endurance Test (ET)** 

Aust Ch Jarrebor Taras Radiance CD (Sorcha)

Ruff AD (Ruff)

Border Collie

Associate

Libby Hotchin Cathy Bond

## TEN COMMON SENSE RULES FOR DOG TRAINING

#### by Kaylan Read

## Reprinted from Off-lead magazine – September 1993

- 1. Make sure you have a happy attentive dog. Use the stimuli necessary to get the best attitude from your dog on that day.
- 2. Make a promise to yourself and your dog that you will not loose YOUR attitude. Take the extreme emotion out of training. Try to make it matter-of-fact and fair. Work on controlling any negative body language or harshness in your voice.
- 3. Prevention is always better than correction. This is especially true in the teaching phase. When the dog makes a mistake, put the dog back on leash, and help the dog be successful for several training sessions. If the dog was on leash, try again, this time get help in correcting your timing, not the dog.
- 4. Make sure your dog understands when he is working and when he is free. If you are unavoidably distracted during training make sure there is a clear release for the dog. Most dogs work best when given active, free time between the teaching of different exercises. Start with a fun, easy task after the break.
- 5. Punishment and fear are not teaching tools. Don't undo all the good creative training you've put in with one training session on a bad day. Don't get caught up in trying to permanently "fix" a problem in one day. Every performance is not a reflection of you as a trainer, or your dog's ability. Find one thing during an "off" session that you can reinforce positively or reward and quit.
- 6. If one training method is not working, do something different! It is unbelievable how people become pattern trained. We will sometimes stick with something for months without seeing any improvement. To hope that drilling and repetition will eventually get results is not realistic.
- 7. Introduce tough or new exercises early in the training session. Having a dog attempt a new or difficult task when he has given his best attention and energy earlier, means that your training session may end with a poor performance. Don't let confusion, negative reinforcement, or absence of reward be the last thing the dog remembers.
- 8. Always break an exercise down into separate tasks, then put it together, like a puzzle, when all the pieces are as good as they can be. Sometimes trainers add formal turns in heeling before attention and heel position are correct. Another example would be adding distance to the retrieve before a quick grabbing pick-up and a fast spin return are perfected up close. Don't expect a straight sit at the end of a recall until the recall is fast and consistent and the front is perfected up close and separately. Always perfect and proof drops before adding gradual distance or incorporating it in the recall.
- 9. When you think your dog is ready to show, try a test of three fun matches at different locations. If the dog's performance at each match met your expectations, you're probably ready. But you might be more pleased and the dog would suffer less stress, if you took more time to shape a higher level of performance in very unique and unusual situations. By then, the mostly consistent and structural environment of the ring is a piece of cake!
- 10. **HAVE FUN!** Don't always take yourself or the dog too seriously. Consistent correct practice combined with a spirit of fun and play will produce an outstanding performance. The frustration of poor performance can damage the bond between you and your dog. This bond is necessary to make the training and showing experience fun for the dog and rewarding for you.

## DOG BREEDS FROM A TO Z

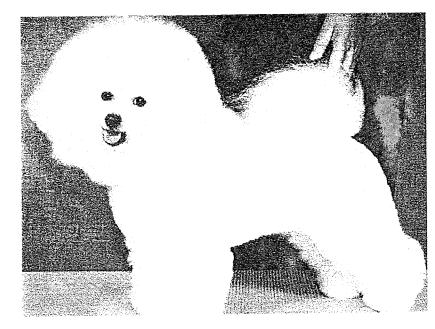
#### **Bichon Frise**

Height: 9 - 12 in (22.8 - 30.5 cm) for the dog and 9.5 - 10.5 in (24 - 26.6 cm) for the bitch Weight: in porportion with the size of the dog

Bichon is French for lap dog, and the Bichon Frise has been a popular breed for several centuries.

The Bichon Frise is a cross between a Maltese and a Poodle, developed in the Canary Islands prior to the fourteenth century. It was brought to Europe around that time and first became a favorite of the Italian nobility in the fourteenth century, and later in the sixteenth century was much loved by French royalty.

A small powder-puff, very playful and lively. The head has a shorter muzzle than the head length. The nose is black and rounded. The lips are thin, black and fairly



tight. The eyes are round and dark with black rims. The ears are narrow and small, hang close to the head and are covered with finely curled, long hair. The body has a well-developed chest, sloping shoulders and well-muscled loin. The tail is short, raised and curved, but not curled.

The coat of the Bichon Frise is a double one with fine, silky hair, loosely curled and 3 - 4 in (7.6 - 10 cm) long. The color is pure white.

The Bichon Frise is a delightful little dog with a very strong character. As this dog looks particularly cute, it is essential that owners are assertive from the beginning. If there is no intention of breeding, it is advisable to sterilize the males before they become too bossy.

With proper attention, the Bichon Frise will develop into a wonderful companion animal. To avoid any later problems it is a good idea to allow this dog to socialize with a range of other dogs and humans when it is a puppy. The Bichon Frise is an alert dog and has a strong sense of territory which makes it a great watch-dog. If this dog is kept in a hot climate it should be regularly clipped. With proper attention, the Bichon Frise will develop into a wonderful companion animal.

#### Bloodhound

Height: 25 - 27 in (64 - 69 cm) for the dog and 23 - 25 in (58 - 64 cm) for the bitch Weight: 90 - 110 lb (40 - 50 kg) for the dog and 80 - 100 lb (36 - 45 kg) for the bitch.

A breed which has been around for numerous centuries as a prized pack dog and an outstanding tracker.

Originating in Belgium, the Bloodhound was bred in the early Middle Ages and was called the Saint Hubert Hound. It was bred as a pack hound and used to track game - this it would do relentlessly for days on end if required. In the eleventh century, the Saint Hubert reached Britain with William the Conqueror, and was then selectively bred and refined. The name "Bloodhound" is thought to have one of two meanings: that it would follow a blood trail whilst tracking, or that "blood" indicates a pure breed, as in "blood horse."



A large, solid dog which moves with grace and dignity. The head is long and large with a well-developed occiput, and loose skin folds which form wrinkles on its brow and drooping jowls. The nose is black with large, open nostrils. The jaws are long and have a scissor bite. The eyes are deep hazel or brown, are medium-sized and well set in. They have a drooping look with a solemn expression. The ears are set low and fall in long soft folds which curl inwards at the ends. The shoulders slope into a broad and muscular back. The tail is set high, and is long and carried low. The forequarters are straight with a rounded bone structure. The hindquarters are strong and sturdy.

The coat of the Bloodhound is short, dense and smooth with good weather resistance. The coat colour is black and tan, liver and tan, red or tawny. The black extends from the head and neck over the back to the loin. There can also be white on the chest, legs and the top of the tail.

The Bloodhound is a most amazing dog. As far as scenting ability is concerned, the Bloodhound is the ultimate dog. This high degree of specialization can be wonderful. Nevertheless, owning a Bloodhound is rather like owning a Formula 1 racing car. Not because it is so fast but, like a racing car, this dog is highly tuned, very specialized, and just as wonderful to watch when it is working well. However, as it is very hard to drive a Formula 1 racing car when it is away from the racing track, it can also be very hard to get a Bloodhound to carry out basic maneuvers in dog training.

With perseverance and training, the Bloodhound can make a good companion animal, but its preoccupation with scent should be considered before adopting one. Bloodhounds can make good watch-dogs if they are encouraged when they are young. They have a fantastic baying howl which will unnerve all but the most determined burglar. The Bloodhound is very sociable and craves the company of other dogs. It readily substitutes people for its pack and expects a lot of attention. The ears should be regularly cleaned, as it is hard for air to circulate around them and they may become infected.

## **CERTIFICATE PASSES**

Promotion Day - Sunday 5 December 1999

Beginners Certificate

James Roberts/Sonia Gambino & "Tyson" Tammy Lawes/Raymond Trait & "Sandy"

Thomas & Karen Hinkley & "Zack"

Chris Shepherd & "Sam"

"Max"

Tony & Doreen Pearson & "Seamus"

Sue Palmer & "Zeke"

Heather Cornell & "Henry"

Rose Daniel & "Mishka" Lena Finch & "Sasha"

Gizella Palicko & "Kaleb" Jan Fook & "Minty" Julie Makin & "Murphy Rob & Maureen Lochrie &

Angie Trueman & "Ebony"

Debra & Craig Neill & "Bonnie"

Heidi Tongi/Andrew Price & "Jessica"

Merit Certificate

Anne Romeril & "Oscar" Sarie Lowdon & "MacGregor" Ashwin & Eva Marfatia & "Curly" bert & Marj Turner & "Chuppy" Glenis Cruse/Alan Carter & "Rex" Elaine & Colin McKechnie & "Kes" Linda Hunter & "Monty"

Narelle Wills & "Cocoa"

Neville & Christine Wright & "Babe"

Gleny's Murray & "Zak"

Salaviejus Family & "Max"

Tammy Lawes/Raymond Trait & "Bonnie"

Malcolm & Beverley McIntosh & "Sandy"

Basic Certificate

Dorinda Zurawel & "Maddi" Gaye McKiernan & "Tori"

Sarah Wills - Cooke & "Piglet"



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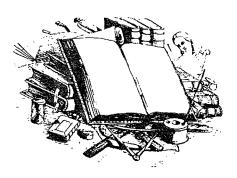
# LUKE HURA SEMINAR

Ballarat Obedience Dog Club are conducting a Luke Hura Seminar on

# Saturday 26 February 2000 Commencing at 11 am

Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc members are welcome to attend. There is no charge for the Seminar, but Lunch will be provided at a cost of \$7.00. Numbers attending required by 12/2/2000.

Please contact Jean Brown (Secretary) on (03) 5346 1229



# CLUB HISTORY

Since its inception Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc has seen many changes and during this year I would like to compile a complete history of the

Club containing as much information as possible. If you have any photographs, articles or literature you feel are part of that history, please bring them to the Office where they can either be scanned or reproduced, then returned to you. Anything from pre 1985 is of particular interest.

# **RED CROSS APPEAL – MARCH 2000**

The Club will be taking part in the Red Cross Appeal by collecting at a designated Shopping Centre.

If you and your four-legged friend would like to take part and collect for this worthy cause, keep this in mind. Further information shortly.

December 7, 1999

#### GENERAL MEETING

Members attended a CPR demonstration by St John's Ambulance which commenced at 7.30 pm.

Meeting opened: 8.30 pm

Apologies: R Rogers, M Brieberg, J Convery. S Noblett, C Bromley, L Gaylard, C Young

Acc: C Davies

Seconded: K Devlin

Carried

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

Acc: A Pape

Seconded: J Brophy

Carried

Business arising from the Minutes

- 1. F Lehrmann gave verbal report on the Red Cross Meeting that he attended. Notice has been placed in the Newsletter. 18-24 dogs would be ideal. Further information in the New Year.
- 2. A Trueman gave on Farmvision meeting she attended. A site for the Club has been allocated with plenty of room for display and parking.

#### Correspondence Out - Nil

Correspondence In - Tracking Club of Vic, Proctor & Gamble, Sandra Jennings, A Pape,

Invitation to all Affiliates

Acc: W Ganly

Seconded: C Davies

Carried

**Business arising from Correspondence** 

- 1. After general discussion it was suggested that we reply to Sandra Jennings informing her of the Clubs previous correspondence with the Surf Coast Shire. Copies of articles, etc to be included
- 2. Invitation to all Affiliates defer to General Business

Treasurer's Report

J Ball presented written report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment. A copy of the Income and Expenditure from the November Trial was made available to members.

Acc: D Dickeson

Seconded: L Kelleher

Carried

**Other Reports** 

Bar Manager - L Kelleher thanked M Brieberg for taking care of the Bar on the Trial Day

Canteen Manager - Report unavailable.

Grounds Manager/Equipment Manager - Report as per November Newsletter.

Hall Manager - Everything is okay. Thanks to Leonie, Christine and Pam for their help in setting up for and cleaning up after the Christmas Dinner.

Publicity Officer - A Trueman read written report. Report attached to the Minutes Book.

Shop Manager - Report unavailable

Social Secretary - P Pope read written report on behalf of C Bromley. Report attached to the Minutes Book

Raffle Steward - Report unavailable

Trial Secretary - Report as per November Newsletter

Training Supervisor/Demo Team Leader - D Dickeson read a written report. Report attached to the Minutes Book

#### **Sub-Committee Reports**

D Wiltink read a summary of the President's and Secretary's Conference. Copy attached to the Minutes Book

Acc: E Longshaw

Seconded: L Kelleher

Carried

#### **General Business**

- 1. Recommendation from Committee Meeting 13 October. That the bar return to a smoking area to help create a more relaxed atmosphere, with the Bar folding doors to be closed to the Hall. As legislation has changed since this was first discussed. It would now prove unworkable.
- 2. Recommendation from Committee, that the Club purchase a new phone for the Office as the present one is unreliable and only working half the time. P Convery reported on several phones she had looked at. It was suggested to approach Victor Douglas who works for Telstra to see if he has other suggestions. C Davies moved that we purchase a suitable phone as per best advice available.

Seconded: W Ganly

Carried

3. A Trueman spoke regarding the Club's purchase of a camera and gave several quotes. After some discussion A Thorogood moved 'that A Trueman purchase a camera for the Club with a limit of \$300.00 to be spent'

Seconded: F Lehrmann

Carried

- 4. F Lehrmann raised discussion regarding the Club purchasing a Tattslotto ticket each week. It was suggested that we look into the legal aspects before going any further.
- 5. W Ganly spoke regarding the possible change from Flyball to Flygility by the Club. As there was no further equipment required the general agreement was that she go ahead in the New Year.
- 6. A Pape suggested that it was time the Club investigated the outcome of the Rowing Watersport Complex. F Lehrmann suggested that the Secretary be empowered to write to the Council stating the Club's current position and requesting further information. Members agreed. It was also suggested that we look into the requirements for Canteen workers.
- 7. F Lehrmann thanked all members for their support and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- 8. D Wiltink thanked the members for their support since he has taken on the President's position and wished everyone a Merry Christmas

As there was no further business

Meeting closed at: 10.00 pm

Walk for Geelong Animal



# SUNDAY 16TH APRIL 2000

# QUEENS PARK (Melways Ref: 227 D2)

All proceeds to the Geelong Animal Welfare (Lost Dogs Home)

#### TICKETS

Adults \$8.00

Children \$2.00

Family Ticket \$20.00

## THE WALKS

Long Walk—7 kms along the Barwon River (1-2 hrs) Short Walk—30 mins for puppies and aged pooches

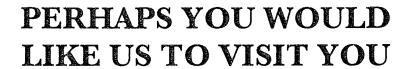
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