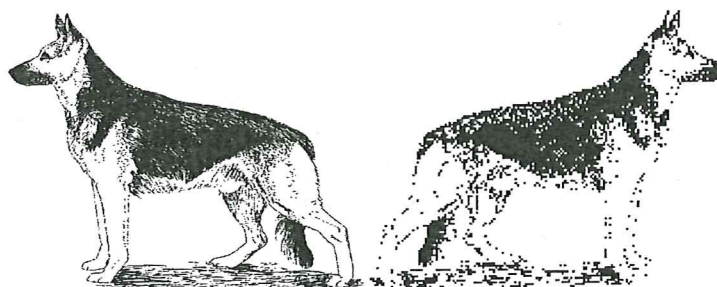
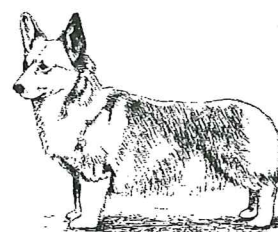
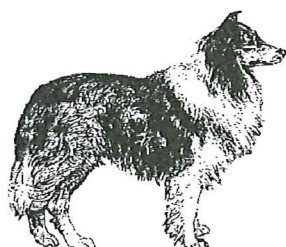
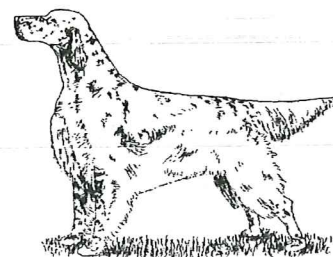
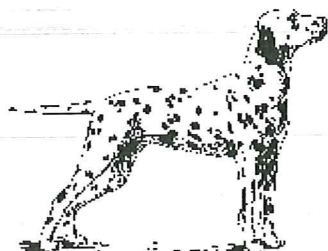


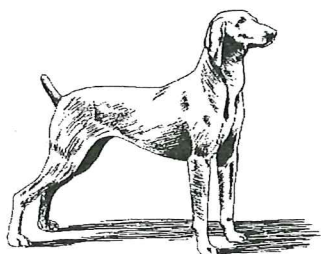
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## CLUB CALENDAR

### October

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1 October</b>	<b>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 8.00 pm</b>
Thursday	3 October	Puppy Kinder for puppies 8 – 16 weeks
Sunday	6 October	Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Tuesday	15 October	Newsletter closes for articles, reports, etc
Sunday	20 October	Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
<b>Monday</b>	<b>21 October</b>	<b>Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm.</b>
Sunday	27 October	Newsletter available
Monday	28 October	Trial entries close

### November

Saturday	2 November	Trial Working Bee – to be advised
Sunday	3 November	Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Thursday	7 November	Puppy Kinder for puppies 8 – 16 weeks
Saturday	9 November	Trial Working Bee – to be advised
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10 November</b>	<b>OPEN OBEDIENCE TRIAL. NO TRAINING</b>
Friday	15 November	Newsletter closes for articles, reports, etc
Sunday	17 November	Puppy intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
<b>Monday</b>	<b>18 November</b>	<b>Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm</b>
Sunday	24 November	Newsletter available. End of Year Awards closing date

### December

Sunday	1 December	Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>3 December</b>	<b>General Meeting – 8.00 pm unless otherwise advised</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8 December</b>	<b>PROMOTION DAY</b>
Sunday	15 December	Last day of training

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## REPORTS REPORTS REPORTS REPORTS

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi and welcome to all new Members. Well we are coming up to a busy period with Promotion Day on the 29<sup>th</sup> September and the Annual General Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> October. Both these days are very important to the Club's future.

The Annual General Meeting is a big improvement on last year with quite a few nominations, but there are still a few vacancies to be filled. So, please come on the night and maybe take on one of these jobs.

This Promotion Day is the second last chance to finish the year off in a blaze of glory and get a pass to the next Class, so best wishes to everyone.

**A L Thorogood – President**

### TRAINING SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

A reasonably brief report – mainly to wish everyone doing their test on the up-coming Promotion Day the very best of luck. I hope you all achieve your goals and please don't be too disappointed if you don't this time – just keep trying and you will succeed.

Our Puppy Kinder rolls on each month, usually with a "full house" – we have lots of fun. Thanks to Kath Devlin who helps in every session. In the last few weeks, we have been joined by Trainee Instructor – Caroline Watson, who is also enjoying the time in Puppy Kinder.

Before closing I would like to congratulate Pam Convery and David Gravolin who recently joined the ranks of Instructors – well done both of you!!

**D Dickeson – Training Supervisor**

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# CREATION

Author Unknown

When God had made the earth and sky  
the flowers and the trees,  
He then made the animals  
the fish, the birds, and bees.

And when at last He'd finished  
Unto the earth He came  
He said I'll walk this world of mine  
and give each one a name.

And so He travelled far and wide  
and everywhere He went,

a little creature followed Him  
until it's strength was spent.

When all were named upon the earth  
and in the sky and sea,  
the little creature said "Dear Lord  
there's no name left for me."

Kindly the father said to him  
"I've left you to the end.  
I've turned my own name back to front  
and called you Dog, my friend."

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## Your Love Of Dogs Can Make You Money ...



The days of washing your dog using cold water with you getting a shower too, is fast becoming a thing of the past. With increasingly busy lifestyles and longer working hours more and more pet owners are turning to professional in home services.

Aussie Pooch Mobile has created a fun, friendly and convenient service to cater for this demand to ensure the family pets are well cared for.

Ken Parker from Heathcote in NSW has always had a love of dogs, in particular Boxers. He has shown and bred them for years.

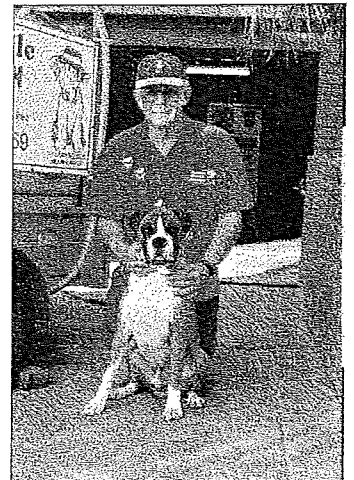
After retiring from the Merchant Marines, Ken was looking for an opportunity that not only he could earn good money from, but also

something he would enjoy. Then he saw an advert in his local paper for Aussie Pooch Mobile Franchise. After looking into it further, he realised this was the opportunity he had been looking for.

Ken says, "It is excellent doing something I not only enjoy, but am also reaping the rewards for my efforts from. I have been operating for over 3 years now and can honestly say the decision to purchase an Aussie Pooch Mobile franchise has been a good one. The ongoing support and back up service Aussie Pooch Mobile provides helps ensure each franchisee's success. I have not looked back".

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## The Doggie Pledge

Sent in by Elaine Longshaw

I will not eat the cats' food, before or after they eat it.

"Kitty box crunchies" are not food.

The computer's mouse is, unlike a real mouse, inedible.

I will not eat the disposable diapers, especially the dirty ones.

I will not play tug-o'-war with Dad's underwear when he's on the toilet.

I will not chew my human's toothbrush and not tell them.

I will not chew crayons or pens, especially not the red ones so my people will think I am dying.

I will not roll on dead seagulls, fish, crabs, etc.

I will not wake Mommy up by sticking my cold, wet nose up her ear.

I will not throw up in the car.

I will not bite the officer's hand when he reaches in for Mom's driver's license and car registration.

When in the car, I will not insist on having the window rolled down when it's raining outside.

I must shake the rainwater out of my fur \*before\* entering the house.

I will not steal my Mom's underwear and dance all over the back yard with it.

The sofa is not a face towel. Neither are Mom and Dad's laps.

We do not have a doorbell. I will not bark each time I hear one on TV.

I do not need to suddenly stand straight up when I'm lying under the coffee table.

My head does not belong in the refrigerator.

I will not roll my toys behind the fridge.

The garbage collector is NOT stealing our stuff.

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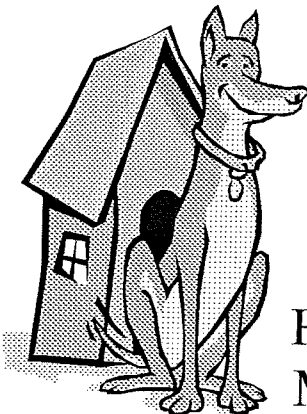
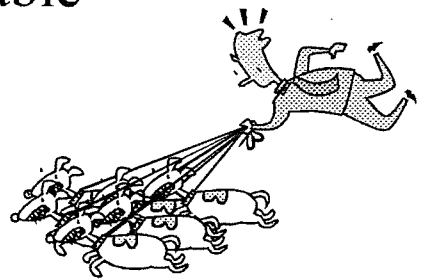
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## "Plants poisonous to Dogs"

Please note that this list of poisonous plants is not a complete list. The plants listed are the more common plants that are poisonous to dogs. While some of these plants only give dogs symptoms of irritation, please be aware that the size of the dog and the amount of the plant that is ingested effects how toxic the particular plant can be. Always take your dog to the vet immediately if you believe your dog has ingested a plant that might be poisonous.

<u>Plant</u>	<u>Toxic portion of Plant</u>	<u>Symptoms of poisoning</u>
Amaryllis	Bulbs	Upset stomach, hyperactivity, lethargy, coma, shock, death
Apple	seeds, most parts	Varied toxic effects; rapid breathing, shock, dilated pupils, diarrhoea gum inflammation
Apricot, almond	seeds	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhoea
Asparagus fern	All parts	Vomiting, abdominal pain, cramps, tremors, heart, respiratory, and kidney failure
Azalea	All parts	Weakness, upset stomach, drooling, coma, heart failure, depression
Bird of Paradise	Fruit, seeds, most parts	Varied toxic effects
Chrysanthemum	All parts	Skin irritation
Creeping fig, Weeping fig	All parts	Upset stomach, skin irritation
Delphinium	All parts	Varied toxic effects
Daffodil	Bulbs	nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, death
Elephant ears	All parts	Varied toxic effects
Heart leaf (Philodendron)	Leaves, stems, stalks	Upset stomach, mouth irritation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, asphyxiation, death
Jasmine	All parts	laboured breathing, seizures, weakness, respiratory failure, death
Larkspur	All parts	upset stomach, excitement, depression, death
Mushrooms	All parts	Varied toxic effects
Nutmeg	All parts	Varied toxic effects
Oak tree	Acorns	Varied toxic effects
Poinsettia	All parts especially seeds	Upset stomach, oral irritation, death

Peach	All parts	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhoea
Rhubarb	Leaf blade	convulsions, coma, death
Saddle leaf and Split leaf Philodendron	Leaves, stems, stalks	upset stomach, mouth irritation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, asphyxiation, death
Spinach	All parts	Varied toxic effects
Sunburned potatoes	Green growth, sprouts	Varied toxic effects, death
Tomato and tomato vine	Green growth, sprouts, most parts	Varied toxic effects
Umbrella plant	All parts	Vomiting, abdominal pains, cramps, tremors, heart, respiratory, kidney failure, death
Wisteria	seeds	Varied toxic effects

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# PETS DIE IN HOT CARS!

Reprinted from Bendigo Obedience Dog Club - "Recall" - September 2002

The RSPCA advises pet owners not to leave their pets in a car even on a moderately warm day as pets can die in as few as 4-6 minutes.

RSPCA State President, Dr Hugh Wirth said "When a car is stationary, in full sun, on a 25 degree Celsius day (in the shade) the cabin temperature will rise to 46 degrees Celsius in just six (6) minutes and that if the core temperature of a dog or cat reaches 46 degrees Celsius it suffers from a fatal heatstroke. Unlike humans, dogs don't sweat, they rely on radiating heat to stay cool.

Never leave your pet in a car unattended, even just for a few minutes. The inside of a car can heat up quickly and cause the pet great suffering.

If you do see a pet left unattended in a car on a warm day and it appears to be suffering, do not interfere yourself, call the local Police or the RSPCA.

Here are some facts regarding animals and heat. Please take the time to read this information and consider sharing it with others. It could mean life or death for an animal this summer.

- The temperature inside a parked vehicle can double in a matter of minutes. A dog left inside a vehicle can die within minutes, as they are not able to sweat to cool themselves. A dog panting inside a car will raise the temperature even more quickly.
- RSPCA Inspectors and Police Officers will take appropriate action if the animal inside is clearly distressed or might become.
- The effect of heat stress from being left inside a vehicle begins with the animal in distress and perhaps clawing at the doors or windows. As the temperature rises the animal begins to experience confusion then muscle meltdown, which can lead to collapse and finally death.
- Leaving the windows down does little to slow this process.
- The RSPCA believes that whatever the weather, animals should never be left alone in vehicles. In the addition to the risks from heat, cars can be stolen, damaged or even catch fire leaving no one present to rescue the animal from inside the vehicle.
- If ever a situation occurs where an animal must be left in a vehicle for a short time then the driver should leave a note on the vehicle giving their time of return. This would save unnecessary action by concerned passers by.

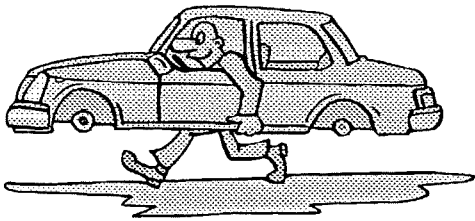


Heat stress or heat stroke occurs when animals are confined in hot environments.

When suffering from heat stroke, a dog will initially show an increase in activity associated with panting and vocalisation – usually whining or barking. The dog will become agitated, often with a worried or furrowed expression.

All animals are affected by heat stress, however dogs with short noses such as the Bull Dog, Pekingese, Pug and Boxer are particularly at risk.

## Pets Die in Hot Cars (continued)



As the heat stroke progresses, the panting becomes excessive and laboured with the dog showing an inability to breathe properly. The dog usually drools excessively and may vomit. If the suffering continues, the dog will suffer circulatory collapse, its gums will appear blue and it will convulse or become unconscious.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

It is vital the dog's body is cooled as quickly as possible, especially the head.

1. Place the dog in a tap water bath or hose the dog down. Make sure the head and airways are not blocked. If available apply ice to the dog's head.
2. Contact a veterinarian as a matter of urgency
3. Transport the dog to the nearest Veterinarian wrapped in soaking towels and keep ice packs on its head.

### **PLEASE REMEMBER**

#### **DOGS DIE IN HOT CARS DON'T LET YOURS!**

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1. TYPE and RANGE of Veterinary service provided
2. STANDARD of facilities, equipment and services
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4. OVERALL STANDARD OF CARE
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The Bellarine Veterinary Practice is extremely proud of this achievement. It reflects years of hard work and planning, building a range of services that places us at the highest standards nationally. In 2001 the Bellarine Veterinary Practice was reaccredited as an Australian Small Animal Association "HOSPITAL OF EXCELLENCE", one of only twelve in Victoria. One of only two outside metropolitan Melbourne.

We provide the highest level of services possible in practice in the fields of reproduction, orthopaedic and soft tissue surgery, dentistry, cardiology, radiology, clinical pathology, ophthalmology and behavioural sciences. This obviously requires commitment from a TEAM OF DEDICATED PROFESSIONALS – both veterinarians and nurses.

When you entrust us with the care of your animal, you can be assured that we will do our very best, and use the best resources to give you the best possible outcome for your animal's health problem.

March 2003

## How To Stay Young and Happy!

Author Unknown

Throw out all the non-essential numbers. This includes age, weight and height. Let the doctor worry about them - that is why you pay him.

Keep only cheerful friends, the grouches pull you down. If you really need a grouch, there are probably a few of your relatives to do the job.

Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. Just never let your brain idle.

Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath. Laugh so much that you can be tracked in the store by your distinctive laughter.

The tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person who is with you your entire life is yourself.

Surround yourself with what you love, whether it is family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, whatever. Your home is your refuge.

Cherish your health. If it is good - preserve it. If it is unstable - improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve - get help.

Don't take guilt trips. Go to the mall, the next county, a foreign country ..... but not to guilt.

Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity.

And remember that Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take..... but by the moments that take our breath away!

## TRIAL RESULTS

### *Australian Shepherd Club 17<sup>th</sup> August*

B Lawrence                      Madam Mizelle (Yoda)

(Roy ran the 20kms with "Yoda". There were two other runners in the Group)



Endurance

Endurance Title

### *Bendigo O D C*

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### *Sunbury 7<sup>th</sup> September 2002*

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Ch Rakaaz Nara Flynn (A) CD TD ET

3<sup>rd</sup> Pass

1<sup>st</sup> Place

CD Title

Highest Scoring Geelong Member

### *Northern O D C 15<sup>th</sup> September 2002*

V Moeller

Bailiffscourt Abbis Alibi CD

1<sup>st</sup> Pass

2<sup>nd</sup> Place

# SOCIAL NEWS

## WINE FUNDRAISER

Many thanks to the wonderful people of Geelong Obedience Dog Club who supported our wine fundraiser. We raised \$306.00, which is going towards building more dog boxes. Special thanks to Bree Schammer, Debbie Hamilton and Sandra Priddle for gathering their workmates and selling over \$300.00 each. Thanks to Kim Lewarthy too for her tremendous effort. Hope the dads' enjoyed their wine.

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## TRIVIA NIGHT

Do you know what Otto Titzaling invented? (sp?)

What colour blood does a lobster have?

What is the highest mountain in Victoria?

What was the number on Clint Eastwood's badge in "Dirty Harry"?

**IF YOU CAN ANSWER THESE, THEN COME TO THE NEXT TRIVIA NIGHT.  
IF YOU CAN'T, THEN COME TO LEARN  
BECAUSE YOU WON'T FORGET IT!!!!!!**

We had a wonderful night of entertainment at the Geelong Obedience Dog Club. We worked hard in collaboration with the members of our table to try and come up with answers. We laughed, we cheered, we clapped (thanks guys!!!) we couldn't believe how many answers were on the tip of our tongues! 76 people supported our night out, so many thanks. Many of those were new, induction members who we want to particularly congratulate for coming to our function not knowing anyone and making a table and joining in the fun. The Club holds great promise with enthusiastic members like you willing to meet new people and make a new friend or two!

Congrats to Kim and Lindsay Addison who with their horde of 12 cleaned the Club out of champagne with their winning score! Our successful night raised nearly \$500.00

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## PHOTOS OF YOUR DOGS FOR CHRISTMAS!!

Kangaroo Photos are coming to our Club - November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> to take pictures of your dog in time for Christmas. Their prices are very reasonable. Jackie Ames will be available from 8.30 am on both mornings to photograph your dog! Mark it on your calendar if you want to be involved.

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10 x 15 inch      \$27.50 (Includes GST)

Kangaroo Photos will donate \$1.00 back to your Club from every photo sold, as well as two 8 x 12 inch complimentary photos.

**Yvette Swan – Social Secretary**

# Environmental Enrichment

Karen Damiani

With our busy lifestyles many dogs can spend hours each day left to their own devices sometimes leading to social and behavioural problems. As we learn more about animals it is increasingly apparent that mental health is of enormous importance to an animals well being and lifestyle. The following are a list of suggestions to provide Environmental Enrichment for those times when your dog is left home alone.

These ideas should be used in addition to your normal family interaction and an appropriate exercise regime and great care should be taken to ensure that there is no danger to your pet or others in any of these activities.

## **A BIRD FEEDER**

The height and location needs to be so that the birds do not get caught or injured, I can live without my dog being that enriched! I generally put the breakfast scraps on the feeder before going out and it can be fascinating to watch the dog's behaviours.

The cavalier sits waiting patiently at a non-threatening distance for birds so they will feed and drop food after which he vacuums underneath to find the dropped scraps. If things are a bit slow he will do an occasional rush forward timed so that the birds fly off startled and drop the food. The Heeler x guards the feeder and won't let a bird near it all day and the Terrier x tries to figure out ways to climb across or jump up to the feeder itself, all dogs receiving mental stimulation. Note that my dog is the one who seems to get the most food from this system

## **AN ICE BLOCK**

Place some suitable scraps of food into an ice-cream container, fill with water and freeze. You could even freeze a knotted rope into it so it could be hung somewhere or maybe bury it, the ice melts the interest is renewed as treats come to the surface.

A cool idea for the hot weather! I saw a similar system being used in a sanctuary for a Tasmanian Devil, ice-block trays were frozen with water and blood in them and placed at the top of the waterfall so the scent travelled down, they also threw them around the enclosure so there was plenty of scent to check out as they melted. Often zoos and sanctuaries do environmental enrichment activities with their animals so it is a good idea to ask them for some new ideas if you visit.

## **A DIGGING PIT**

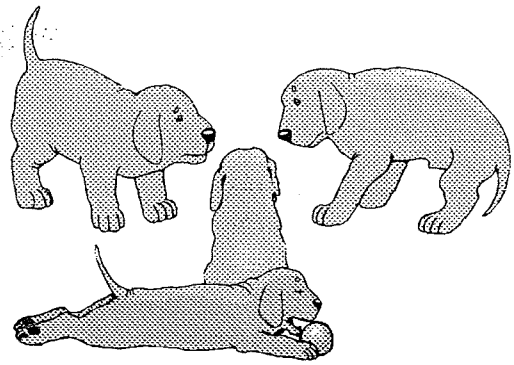
Some dogs love to dig so provide an area where they can dig and reinforce their behaviour in that area. A sandpit where you bury bones or a compost where you can dig in the vegetable scraps and the dog will help you turn it over. My brother had a shorthaired Border Collie who buried everything and every night they would come home from work to find shoes and other articles were missing and buried, even the food bowl was buried on a daily basis. At one stage he tied the food bowl to a post to prevent the dog from moving it, came home and found it still tied, but under a pile of dirt. The garden was in dire straights. He then built a compost area and encouraged the dog to dig there and then left around things that he was allowed to bury and it worked like a treat.

## **A WADING POOL**

Some dogs adore water so why not encourage it. You can purchase shallow moulded plastic children's pools quite cheaply or alternatively make your own pond. Ensure that the dog can easily get out of the

### **Environmental Enrichment – Karen Damiani**

pond and that it is just paddling depth, then drop some toys or treats even vegetables such as carrot pieces which will float and encourage the dog to play. An alternative would be to drop the same floating goodies or toys in the dogs water bucket. In hot weather I often drop apples in the horses trough so they can bob for them and the Welsh Mountain pony has figured out to push them to the side of the trough so he can bite them.



### **THE KONG**

Many of you would be very familiar with the Kong, a marvellous piece of equipment available from good pet product suppliers which can be stuffed with food and left for the dog to work on during the day. Be aware though with multiple dogs that using food games may cause some problems

### **THE BUSTER CUBE**

The Buster Cube is another great invention available from good pet product suppliers, you can place dry food into the opening and the dog has to roll it around to get them out again. Some dogs take all day and some take five minutes! Suitable for most breeds, but there are a very few that have the jaw strength and capacity to destroy these. (I have no doubt you already know if you own one of these dogs!) Some dogs need to learn how to use a Buster Cube so a smear of peanut butter or cheese near the opening as well as a cheer squad often gets them going.

### **A TREASURE HUNT**

Can be lots of fun, leave the dog in the house (somewhere he can't cheat by peeking) and hide food and treats around the yard, digging some in, placing some under other articles so he can discover things all during the day.

### **THE OLD SWINGING TYRE**

It amazes me when people hang up a tyre from a tree and expect the dog to play with it, it amazes me even more when they do! Not being one to leave things to chance I place toys or treats in the tire to ensure the dog is interested and gets some reward for the game. Make sure that what you hang it from can take the weight of the dog as well as the abuse and also that the dog cannot get caught up in it and become injured.



### **THE TERMINATOR**

Give the dog something to destroy, a soft toy can be purchased cheaply from a fete or op shop (beware of plastic eyes and stuffing contents), a cardboard box can be great fun to destroy and has the bonus of providing you with exercise picking up the pieces afterwards. Be careful though with dogs which may ingest foreign materials.

### **THE BUSYBODY**

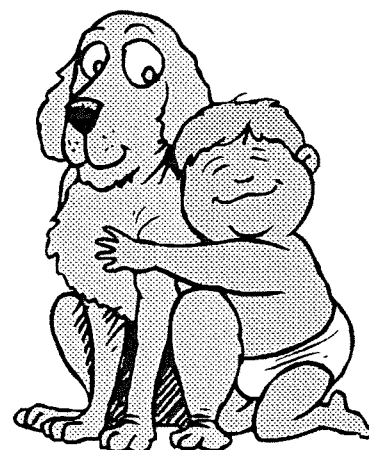
There are dogs in this world as with people that just love knowing what's going on - so help them out. Peepholes in the fence or a raised viewing platform may be just what the doctor has ordered.

Training your dog to be socially acceptable opens a whole new world of environmental enrichment as it allows him to join in your family and social activities.

## "Safety Tips (Kids & Pets)"

Teaching your children basic safety tips around pets can protect them in many ways. A child that is growled at, or bitten at a young age will usually develop and retain a fear of animals. Without the proper basic instruction, children may become injured and afraid of pets for the rest of their lives. The first step in helping protect your children is to get obedience training for your dog, which will help you, control your pet around children. Then teach your children the tips below that experts suggest all children be taught at a young age. These tips will help your child enjoy, respect, and understand your pet's behaviour.

- **Let your dog or cat eat without being disturbed.** Explain to your children that cats and especially dogs can become defensive around the food dish. Do not sneak up on, or put your hand near the bowl when the pet is eating.
- Some dogs are very attached to their balls and toys. **Never take a toy or bone from a dog's mouth** unless the dog is willing to drop it. If the dog is unwilling to drop the toy tell your children to have an adult get the toy.
- Show your children how to pet an animal nicely. Do not pull the animal's tail, ears, poke their eyes or throw things at them. Teach them **animals are not toys**.
- **Never sneak up on a pet.** If frightened, dogs and cats can become defensive, and pet birds can injure themselves. Approach the cat, dog, or pet from the front with your hands visible and speak in a low soothing voice. Don't allow children to play any "hide and seek" or "sneak up on the pet" games.
- **Show your children how to observe body language.** Tell your children that since dogs and cats can't talk, they communicate by using body language. Dogs that have their tail up, ears back, hair standing, are barking, growling, or showing teeth, are all signs that the dog is being bothered and should not be confronted. Cats that have their hair standing, tail stiff, ears back, are hissing, and have dilated eyes are signs that they are being bothered, and should not be confronted. Tell your children if they are ever face to face with a dog showing these signs to not scream, run or stare into the animal's eyes. Tell them if they run, the dog will usually chase and may attack. Always walk away slowly with no fast movements while avoiding any eye contact with the dog. Be sure your children know to immediately tell an adult if a dog, cat or other type of animal ever bites them.
- **Do not invade a dog's space.** Tell your children to never stick their hand in a car window, pickup truck bed, or dog pen. The dog might bite to defend his territory or snap at your child after being awakened suddenly.
- **Do not get near or try to stop two dogs from fighting.** They might become more excited if they are yelled at or separated. **Tell them to get an adult to help.**
- **Teach your children to wash their hands after playing with any animal or pet.** Children can pick up worms from dogs and cats. The eggs of the worms are transferred when a child puts his hand his mouth. Turtles and reptiles are carriers of salmonella and other bacteria.



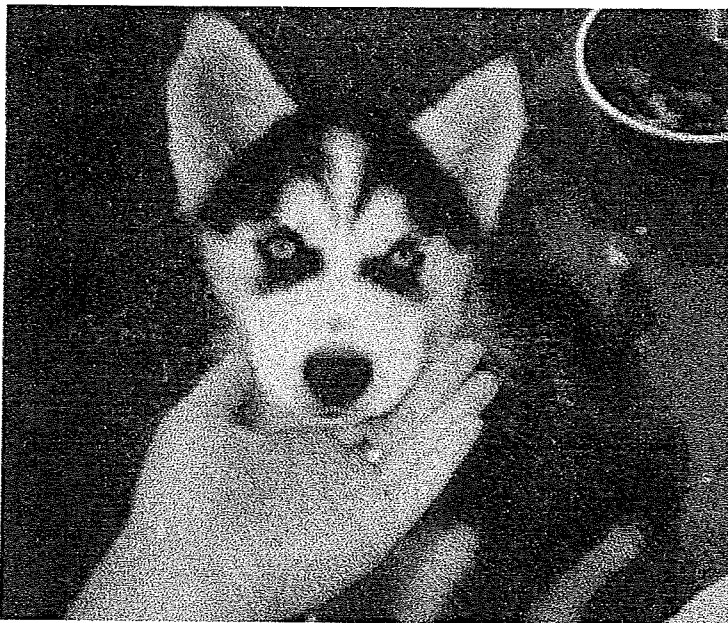
**Safety Tips (Kids & Pets) continued**

Try to discourage your children from letting pets lick their face. While children are more likely to become infected with worms or some type of bacteria by putting their hands in their mouth, it is still wise to tell your children to not let animals lick their face.

- Tell your children to **always ask for the owner's permission to pet an unknown dog or cat.** Some dogs and cats are afraid of children, some might be sick or injured, and some dogs might be working dogs for the handicapped. There may be a number of reasons the pet should not be approached. Once they have permission from the dog's owner, they should then approach the pet slowly, allowing the dog or cat to smell their scent, and then pet the animal.



**HAVE YOU SEEN THIS PUPPY?**



Have you seen this 12-week-old Siberian Husky puppy, which was stolen from the Belmont area 2 weeks ago?

The puppy is black and white with blue eyes and has a distinguishing white spot on the back of its neck.

If you see this puppy please contact the owner on

**Mobile 0408433056**

Or

**Geelong Obedience Dog Club 5243 4555**

A reward is offered

**A prayer for today**

Author unknown

Dear Lord...

So far today, I am doing all right.

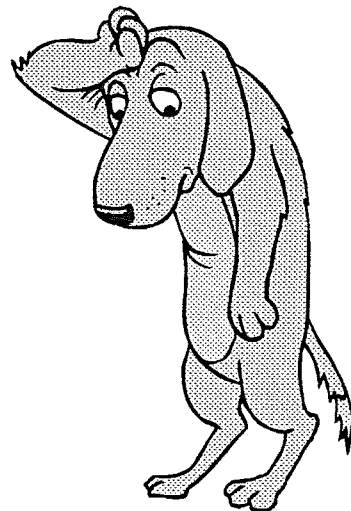
I have not gossiped, lost my temper, been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or self indulgent.

I have not whined, bitched, cursed, or eaten any chocolate.

I have not charged on my credit card.

However, I am getting out of bed soon, and will need a lot of help after that.

Amen.





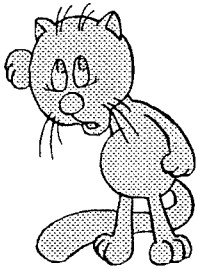
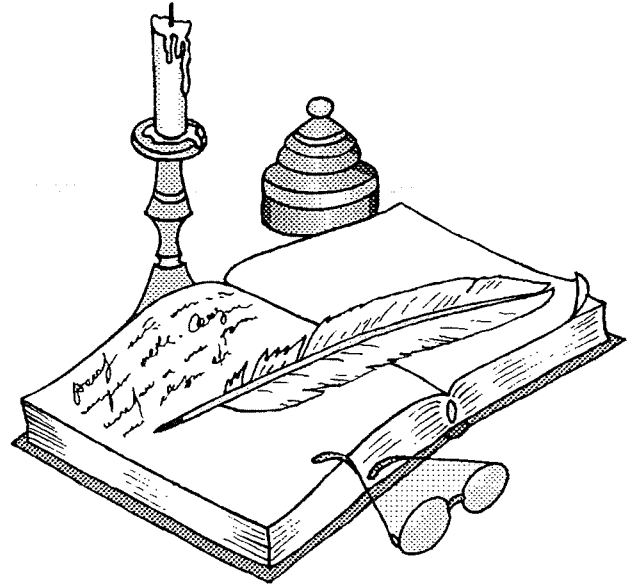
# LIBRARY NEWS

The last day to borrow books for  
this year will be

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

All books need to be returned to the  
Library by

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December**



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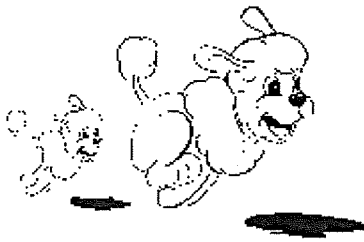
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A 15kg bag of Premium Dog Food  
(Eukanuba, Hills Science, Advantage,  
Royal Canin)

**OR**

A free dog wash – (Towel dry)

March 2003

## UPCOMING TRIALS

### October

			<i>Closing Date</i>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Knox O D C	Obedience	
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Northcote O D C	Obedience	6 <sup>th</sup> October
	East Gippsland	Agility (am & pm)	4 <sup>th</sup> October
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Altona C O D C	Obedience	
	East Gippsland	Agility (am & pm)	4 <sup>th</sup> October
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Werribee O D C	Obedience	11 <sup>th</sup> October
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Gisborne & D O D C	Obedience	9 <sup>th</sup> October

### November

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Warrnambool D T S	Agility (am & pm)	19 <sup>th</sup> October
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Sherbrooke O D C	Obedience	
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Bairnsdale D O C	Obedience	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Gippsland O D C	Obedience & double Agility	18 <sup>th</sup> October
	<b>GEELONG O D C</b>	<b>Obedience</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> October</b>
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Southern O D T C	Obedience	
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Ballaarat D O C	Obedience	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Portland O D C	Obedience & Agility	11 <sup>th</sup> November
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Portland O D C	Obedience & Agility	11 <sup>th</sup> November

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Sunday & Public Holidays  
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                    4.30 pm – 5.30 pm

### CLOSED

Christmas Day, New Year's Day and  
Good Friday

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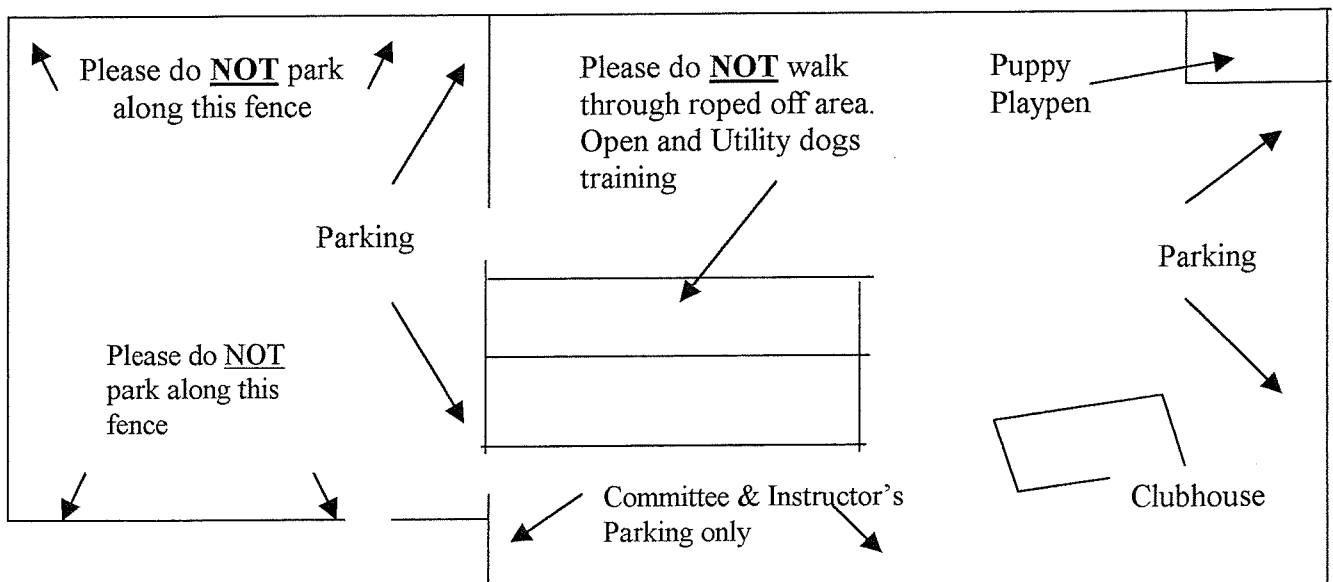
Pets are in the main pack animals and a good Kennel experience can be very useful in developing their own social skills. (The comment above is made by many of our regular clients).

Bring your pet, any special requirements and current vaccination certificate. This is very important so that we know that your pet is covered and as a safeguard to the other animals in care. Bedding, Feed Dishes and Toys are supplied by Jirrahlinga.

**Discount offered to Geelong Obedience Dog Club Members for dog boarding – upon presentation of your current Membership Badge and proof of ownership of dogs, eg Council Registration paper.**


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## PARKING ON CLUB GROUNDS



For everyone's safety, there is an 8 kph speed limit in ALL areas of the grounds

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March 2003

## NOTICE OF MOTION

### GENERAL MEETING 1 October 2002

#### 1. Amendment to Motion 162

Motion 162 reads

'that all recipients of Club Trialing and Agility Awards have to be active Club members and their dogs shall have been trained on our grounds under superviosr of Club Instructors'.

P Convery moved the following amendment

'that the words "for a minimum of 16 weeks of the Calender year" be inserted after "our grounds"'.  
 Seconded: J Convery

**Rationale** - To add a specific time frame to the motion, which will eliminate personal interpretation. Sixteen weeks is approximately 1/3 of the available training days each year allowing members ample time to attend Trials, etc.

#### 2. Aspiring Jugdes

D Dickeson moved 'that the Club invite aspiring Judges to judge our Basic test on Promotion Day effective from 2003'.

Seconded: P Convery

**Rationale** - This would allow senior Instructors to test other Class levels. It would also provide aspiring Judges with ring experience.

Meeting opened: 8.00 pm

**Apologies:** M McNair, L Hunter, Y Swan, J Brophy, J Hamilton, F Mackey, P Pope, K Devlin

Acc: J Wong

Seconded: L Kelleher

Carried

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

Acc: H Read

Seconded: D Dickeson

Carried

### **Business arising from the Minutes**

1. Report on Grounds lighting. Written report was read and is attached to the Minutes Book. The only estimate receive to date was from Fenton Electrical Pty Ltd for the amount of \$106,673.00 which excluded GST and the cost of connecting three phase power to the Clubrooms. H Read asked that further discussion be deferred to the next General Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> October when another quote would be available.
2. Report on City of Greater Geelong and VCA regarding Council discount on registration. City of Greater Geelong will only recognise our certificates if they are recognised by the VCA. Members with Trial passes towards Titles are acceptable as these are VCA recognised. Criteria and VCA requirement for recognition of our certificates has been requested from the VCA.
3. Report on Public Liability Insurance. Questionnaire from the VCA was received and has been completed and returned. Awaiting further information.
4. BBQ relocation. There was no further discussion on the relocation of the BBQ.
5. Criteria for Incident Book reporting and Canine Etiquette has been written and was run in June's Newsletter

**Correspondence Out:** Nil

**Correspondence In:** Delta Society,

### **Business arising from Correspondence**

1. Puppies and Kittens socialisation and training seminar – Dr Kersti Seksel - \$195.00 – 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October. Registration Form for next Delta Instructors course. Information to be forwarded to the next Instructor's Meeting

### **Treasurer's Report**

J Dunoon read written report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment

Acc:

Seconded:

Carried

### **Other Reports**

Display Team Leader – D Dickeson said that the Display Team needed to be advertised. The next display will be at Corio South Primary School.

Grounds Manager – V Douglas reported that 30 odd trees had been planted. The balance would be available in September.

Publicity Officer – S Malady reported that extra brochures had been distributed. An approach has also been made to Geelong Advertiser "Pampered Pets" for a Club article. Members were asked for their opinions on an Open Day at the Club as part of the Active Australia Day celebrations. It was decided that a sub-Committee should be formed to arrange the Open Day. Volunteers were called from the

Meeting. P Convery, D Dickeson and B Mackey offered their help. A request for two (2) General Members to be placed on the Announcement Sheet.

Raffle Steward – J Wallace reported that the last 3 raffles had made a profit of \$160.00. He also asked if the Sunday raffle could be held over to the second week if insufficient tickets were sold to cover the cost of the raffle prize. Members agreed.

Shop Manager – P Hare reported that the Equipment shop has been busy.

Social Secretary – In the absence of Y Swan, P Convery reminded Members of the Father's Day Wine Fund raiser and the Trivia night to be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Training Supervisor – D Dickeson read written report. Report attached to the Minutes Book.

### Sub-Committee Reports

Nil

Reports Acc: L Kelleher

Seconded: C Humphries

Carried

### General Business

1. P Convery moved 'that the Club allocate \$4,000.00 each financial year to be used by Instructors to attend seminars and lectures to broaden their knowledge. Request for funds to be made in writing to the Instructor's Meeting which, on approval will forward a recommendation to the Committee to be adopted. Instructors applying for funds must be current Instructors at the Club'.

Seconded: H Read

Carried by majority

2. Recommendation from Committee. P Convery moved 'that Mr Frank Valastro be asked to act as Returning Officer at the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 1 October 2002. If Mr Valastro unavailable Mr Ray Ashman to be asked'.

Adopted by: J Convery

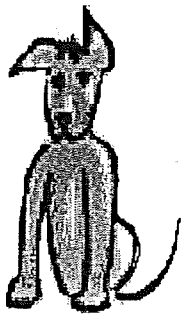
Carried

3. A Thorogood asked for Members suggestions as to the placement of the extra dog boxes. Meeting was adjourned for 15 minutes so that Members could have a look at the area. On resumption it was decided that a row of boxes would be placed parallel with the Clubrooms, from the storeroom to the end of the Clubhouse at the edge of the concrete, which would allow room for the Open and UD trolley to be moved in and out. Original boxes would be later extended to form an L shape.
4. L Kelleher asked if the trees along the Committee and Instructor's parking area could be trimmed as they were brushing against the cars. V Douglas to arrange.
5. M Elliott asked if anything could be done regarding the fence line along Breakwater Road as the area was very exposed if an off lead dog decided to run. V Douglas to speak to Council regarding suitable types of fencing.
6. H Read asked if we could approach Vic Roads regarding a "Concealed Entrance" sign for Breakwater Road to make entry to the Club safer. Members agreed.
7. B Thorogood said that the gas heater in the Clubhouse were in need of repair. Members agreed that due to the age of the heaters the Club might need to look at replacing them. P Convery to arrange quote for repair or possible replacement of the heaters for the next General Meeting.

As there was no further business

Meeting closed: 9.00 pm

# CANINE BEHAVIOUR & TRAINING SEMINAR



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## SEMINAR SCHEDULE

9:00am - 5:30pm, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> November 2002

Topics to be covered will include:

- > *Principles of conditioning*
- > *Motivating your dog for performance*
- > *Preparing dogs for competition*
- > *Ringcraft for competition dogs*
- > *Reward schedules*
- > *Selecting and using reinforcement methods*
- > *Problem dogs*
- > *Handling aggressive dogs and what to do in a dog attack*
- > *Tracking, Search & Rescue, Scent work (all forms)*
- > *Instruction techniques for classes*
- > *Holding and running puppy classes*
- > *Training dogs for TV and Movies*

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**COST: Two Day Seminar \$120.00**

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Receipt required: YES    NO    *(please tick)*

Seminar Ticket will be forwarded to you on receipt of Registration Form and Fees