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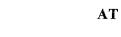
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Club Calendar

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<u>October</u>		
Thursday	2 October	Puppy Kinder for puppies 8 – 16 weeks
Sunday	5 October	Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Tuesday	7 October	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 8.00 pm
Wednesday	15 October	Newsletter closes for articles, reports, etc
Sunday	19 October	Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Monday	20 October	Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm.
Sunday	26 October	Newsletter available
Monday	27 October	Trial entries close
Thursday	30 October	Puppy Kinder for puppies 8 - 16 weeks
<u>November</u>		
Saturday	1 Nov	Trial Working Bee – to be advised
Sunday	2 Nov	Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated
		puppies under 6 months
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Sunday	9 Nov	DOUBLE OPEN OBEDIENCE TRIAL. NO
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<u>December</u>		
Tuesday	2 Dec	General Meeting – 8.00 pm
Sunday	7 Dec	PROMOTION DAY
Sunday	14 Dec	Last day of training

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 7th OCTOBER 2003



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COMMENCING

8.00PM

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2ND VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

It is with regret that I decline to stand again for Committee. I have enjoyed my 3 years and wish to congratulate the incoming Committee and wish them all the best

Barbara Mackey - 2nd Vice President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi everyone

Good luck to all those Members who are being tested today and thank you to those Members who have taken the time to complete the questionnaire from last month's Newsletter. Your input into the efficiency of the Club is greatly appreciated.

The list of Members who have yet to show Vaccination Certificates for their dogs is increasing again and is a major concern. It has even been suggested that we may need to actually sight the Certificate before you can enter Class. I hope it won't come to this, but in the interest of safety for all our Members it may be necessary. A new list of required Certificates appears further on in this Newsletter, please check and make sure your name is not one on the list.

Don't forget the Annual General Meeting on the 7th October, there is still one Executive Committee, one General Committee and a few Non-Committee positions to fill. Agenda items for the General Meeting are also included in this Newsletter.

Happy training

Pam Convery - Secretary

TRIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi everyone

Well, our November Trial is not far away and once again we will be looking for your help. Forms will be out soon with all the jobs that need doing.

The most disappointing aspect of recent Trials has been the response to our request for cakes for our Cake Stall. Our Trials very rarely, if ever, make money as it is necessary to keep entry fees reasonable to attract entries and by the time we pay Judges, supply ribbons and trophies and advertise the event all of the entry fees have been spent, so we rely on such things as the Canteen and the Cake Stall to make sure that the Trials break even. So maybe we can make an extra effort with this Trial to have the table fully stocked.

With all the local Trials taking place at the moment, best wishes to all our Geelong Members and don't forget your Trial results both for the Newsletter and the End-of-Year Awards. Also, don't forget that there are "Highest Scoring Geelong Member" sashes at most of the local Trials and if you aren't staying for presentations it is up to you to check scores to see if you have won the sash. Some Clubs don't send them out or hand them to other Geelong Members to pass on. So don't miss out on this great sash.

Good luck

Janelle Convery - Trial Secretary

TRAINING SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

My last report before the AGM – it's been a busy, sometimes stressful year with several changes in training, but on the whole I think we are doing okay.

Trialling Classes have moved to Monday evenings giving more room on Sundays for other Classes but the down side is that new and inexperienced people do not see the end results of lots of training and I believe that's a real shame.

Reports (continued)

The Puppy Class was moved early in the year to a larger area near the trees and with an extra Instructor/s to help Bruce, puppies get to work in smaller groups in this time of crucial learning. There is also an off-lead play area near the BBQ's for puppies to use – hopefully this will be available for other dogs once the fencing is strengthened.

We again participated in the Spirit of the West – held at our grounds this year. We also held a Walk-a-thon in late March to raise money for a new hearing dog for Mrs Robinson. Thanks to the enthusiasm and participation of our Members, the walk was a huge success and we were able to donate nearly \$2.000 towards the Hearing Dog Center in South Australia to continue their work.

Puppy Kinder continues on each month, this new early learning is a good introduction to the basics of responsible dog ownership and special thanks to Kath who helps every week – we do have fun!!

We still need new Instructors to help lessen the load that the few Instructors currently carry – recently Sandy Malady passed her test and we welcome her to the ranks. We also have Mark Kilbourne part way through his training while new Trainees started in Classes this month. There is a huge on going commitment involved in becoming an Instructor and a lot of work required to achieve this – don't be deterred by this as it really is a great way to learn more about dogs and to give something back to the Club. In recent weeks we have had 3 Seminars for the Instructors – all with merit, lots of information for Instructors and hopefully they have all given us something to think about!

Before closing I would like to thank all those who have helped me in anyway through the year – Members of Committee, Stewards, "number crunchers", Barbara Thorogood Training Manager, the rope "putter uppers" and in particular the Instructors. I do know how much time and training they sacrifice with their dogs because my dog also pays the penalties. My very sincere thanks to the Instructors for the unfailing support that you give which makes my job so much easier.

Thank you everyone on a job well done.

Desma Dickeson - Training Supervisor

PUBLICITY OFFICER REPORT

This has been my second year as Publicity Officer. The year has once again been busy, although not as eventful as previous due to the fact we have not had a Demo team until recently. I am happy to say that over the recent months our New Demo team have been practicing very hard and we have our first display at the Moolap Primary School. Hopefully the beginning of many more events to attend in the future. I commend you all on your enthusiasm and commitment and I wish you all success at your displays.

I also had the pleasure to be involved with the Hearing dog "Maggie" and her handler Mrs Robinson. The experience has broadened my knowledge and I thank the Club for encouraging me to participate in such a worthwhile cause. Thank you to all those who assisted in the Dog Walk Fundraiser. This was an incredibly successful event and hope your enthusiasm extends to our next dog walk.

We once again collected for the Red Cross March Appeal a total of \$696.45 which was up from \$430 the previous year I would like again to express a big thank-you to those members who assisted.

To all the members, your involvement with the Club, be it big or small, all makes a big difference and makes every ones job a little easier. I encourage you all to involve yourselves in the coming year as it will be busy, being our 50th Anniversary. For those of you who have assisted we are grateful for your participation. Remember we are always open to new ideas and ways of promoting our Club. If you have any suggestions please see me, another Committee Member or your Instructor.

Sandy Malady - Publicity Officer

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NEW MEMBERS

The Committee, Instructors and Members would like to welcome the following new Members who have joined the Club recently. We hope you enjoy training your canine companion

7/09/2003

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Bland Suzanne Flavey Scott

Bowie Family Gladman Tany Leach Family

Fehling Nicole

Dubberley Family

Barnes Teena/McDonald Garry

Dillon Jo/Connors Phil

Giddins Family Brian Family

Lucas Aileen

Cusack Family Moloney Family Redpath Sarah

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- 1. TYPE and RANGE of Veterinary service provided
- STANDARD of facilities, equipment and services
- TRAINING, EXPERTISE and COMPETENCE of both veterinary and nursing staff
- 4. OVERALL STANDARD OF CARE
- CLIENT SURVEY to assess client feedback on all the above

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.

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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.

May 2003

A man takes his Rottweiler to the Vet and says, "I think my dog's cross-eyed, is there anything you can do for him?"

"Well," says the Vet, "let's have a look at him".

So he picks the dog up and examines his eyes, then checks his teeth. Finally, he says, "I'm going to have to put him down".

"What? Because he's cross-eyed?"

"No, because he's really heavy".

OUR STRANGE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Gardening with canine assistance

Rover's in the garden and he's digging up the....

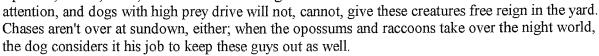
Introduction

Spring is sprung, the grass is riz; I wonder where Rover is . . .

Wait. Isn't that Rover in the garden? Digging in the soft ground? Digging up the onion sets? Get out of there, you rascal!!

Many pet owners find it extremely difficult to maintain a garden and a good relationship with the family dog. The things that make a garden most successful are the very things that attract Rover's attention: soft earth, wonderful for digging, organic fertilizer, wonderful for rolling in and compost heaps, full of lovely, disgusting, rotting treats.

Rover's also likely to chase the wild critters out of the garden -- or through it -- at breakneck speed. Rabbits, squirrels, turtles, birds, and snakes draw a dog's



After the chase in early summer, the pooch finds the sunniest spot in the yard -- usually the middle of the wildflower or annual garden or the emerging pumpkin patch -- excavates a shallow cavity, and lies down, crushing the cosmos, marigolds, sweet peas or pumpkin seedlings beyond recognition. Later in the season, when shade is to be treasured, the impatiens and begonias beds are Rover's prime choices for an afternoon siesta.

So, a little strategy is definitely in order.

First, a fence. You can keep most dogs out of the vegetable garden with a simple wire mesh fence strung on steel posts. A three-foot fence should work for all but the most determined pets; a four-footer might be necessary for some. To prevent Fido from digging his way into the garden to roll in some particularly disgusting new addition to the compost heap, bury the mesh up to a foot underground.

Obedience training for the garden

No, you don't train the garden; you train the dog to behave himself in the garden! If you'd like to have Fido by your side as you work, teach him to lie down and stay in a special spot. Just as he learns to go to his crate or his bed in the house, so he can learn quickly to lie down in his own place in the garden. If you have a large garden, you can move the dog from one place to another; just make sure you control when he moves and where he moves.

You can also teach Hunter to help with the garden chores. One friend with Labrador Retrievers puts a few garden tools in a child's sand pail and gives the pail to a dog to carry. Teach Hunter the difference between a trowel and a weeding claw, and he can fetch the tool you left over by the tomato plants or dropped by the gate.

Gardening with Canine assistance (cont)

Teach your pet to come when he's called and you can call him to you before he flattens the green beans or digs up the carrots. Better still, give him a space of his own to dig in so that he can "help" without doing any damage.

If you are a dedicated gardener and dog trainer, you can teach Rambo to pull a cart loaded with tools, grass clippings, even flats of plants or new trees or shrubs. You can modify a child's wagon or build or buy a cart for the dog.

Toxic plants

The down side of allowing Fido in the garden is the potential for plant poisoning. Plants in the garden-favourite *Solanaceae* family (tomatoes, green peppers, potatoes, and eggplant) contain various amounts of neurotoxic alkaloids such as scopolamine and atropine. Although pets (and children) generally will not eat the leaves of the garden vegetables, potatoes left in the sun can synthesize solanin, which can be toxic in concentrated amounts and has been known to cause death in domestic animals.

Daturas and nightshades (belladonna), tomato cousins, contain more concentrated amounts of poisons. Both are annual plants spread by birds that eat the fruits with no ill effects. Nightshade is a vine with purplish stems and lovely purple flowers common in waste areas; the berries begin green, turn red, and, when ripe, are black; they were used to make a poison in Medieval Europe. Datura grows to six feet tall and has irregularly shaped leaves and white, trumpet-shaped flowers. The fruit is known as thorn apples for its prickly covering.

Horse-nettle is another *Solanaceae* plant that can cause problems. It is deep-rooted, so is difficult to eradicate, and has fine, closely spaced, needle-like thorns on stems and leaves. The flowers are purplish or white and potato-like. Brushing through horse-nettle is extremely irritating to bare skin; the thorns can break off and stab through clothing or pet fur.

These troublesome weeds can get into home gardens in manure that is not completely composted, so be aware of the possibility when using the real thing from stables or farms. Birds can also donate seeds of some poisonous or pesky plants.

The flowerbed can be a source of poison for Pepper. Daffodils, foxglove, delphiniums, bittersweet, wisteria, lupine, buttercup, Mayapple, Dutchman's breeches, morning glory, and periwinkle can cause a variety of ill effects from vomiting and diarrhea to hallucinations. Daffodils are not likely

to cause a problem, for most dogs will not eat flowers, leaves, or seedpods. (Puppies have to be more closely watched, however.) Daffodil bulbs are playthings that may end up as snacks, particularly if they are fertilized with bone meal.

Fertilizers and pesticides

As time goes on, more and more home gardeners become wary of so-called chemical pest control agents and fertilizers. However, all of these agents -- "natural" or synthetic -- are chemicals; some, usually the man-made ones, are more toxic than others.



Gardening with Canine assistance (cont)

If you have children and pets and wish to avoid chemical weed control, you can destroy weeds by cultivating between plants and rows, pulling them by hand, or snipping them off at the soil surface, and you can limit infestations with heavy mulches. Layers of newspapers that rot and add to the soil for next year's crops or purchased black plastic are both effective at keeping weeds out of the vegetable patch and flower beds. You can also take advantage of a number of recent developments in pest control that use natural pheromones and chemicals of low toxicity and little residual action to control insects. Insecticides with pyrethrins fall into the low-residue group.

Some gardeners use companion plantings to minimize insect problems and eliminate or reduce the need for pesticides. Plants in the tobacco family contain a natural insecticide, some marigolds protect against nematodes, tansy is a flea repellent, and nasturtiums repel a variety of bugs.

Fertilizers can be a problem to pets, particularly when applied to lawns that pets walk on. Nitrogen, so essential for green, leafy growth, can burn the pads on Ranger's feet. Dogs are strongly attracted to gardens fertilized with bone meal, blood meal, or fish emulsion; if you use these natural fertilizers, be sure you can keep the garden safe from a determined digger.

For best results and least effect on pets and children, apply pesticides and fertilizers when the wind is calm and there is no rain in the forecast for a day or two. Keep pets and children inside when applying chemicals to avoid skin contact with and inhalation of the substance. Don't let kids and pets on treated lawns for 24 hours, and don't allow pets to munch on or roll in treated grass or weeds.

Norma Bennett Woolf

HOW IS YOUR GEOPGRAPHY IQ?

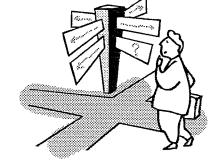
Reader's Digest Challenge – September 2003 Answers will be on the Notice board next week

Each sentence below conceals a world capital, spelled out in consecutive letters. Only a true globetrotter will find them all! Example: TV execs announced their September lineup. (Berlin)

- 1. Captain Nemo scowled
- 2. It was a doorman I lacked
- 3. We gave the rosebud a pesticide
- 4. Columbo got all mixed up
- 5. With less violence, the film can be R-rated
- 6. Here is the pheasant I agonized about shooting
- 7. The tarp over our pumpkins has an opening in it
- 8. The Red Cross will call on donors for money
- 9. Don't yank a rabbit by its ears
- 10. Population is swelling to new heights
- 11. You must strip olives of their skin
- 12. Peace activists boycott a war conference
- 13. Would you consider Eric a pet owner?
- 14. Kicking stones can hurt your toes
- 15. We returned three bushels in kind

How do you rate?

- 1-9 Don't go anywhere without a map
- 10-11 You're no tour guide but not bad



12-13 Airline pilots must know you by name 14-15 Marco Polo was an amateur next to you

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Top Ten Myths and Realities about Dogs

From Shelby Marlo's Book - New Art of Dog Training - (Available in the Club Library)

Myth 1 – Don't start training a dog until he is six months old

Common belief was that a dog could not be trained until he was at least six months old. In actuality, the delay was not because the dog was not trainable but because of the methodology used. Training used to be very negative and often harsh process and thus was not advised for the young – and should not have been for dogs of any age for that matter. Training methods were so harsh that a dog had to be a certain age to withstand that level of abuse. Waiting to train had nothing to do with the dog's learning ability. We now know that adolescence is the least desirable time to begin training. At six months a puppy has already undergone a lot of negative learning and is now at the onset of puberty. If a puppy is old enough to leave its mother and littermates, it is old enough to be trained with kind and gently methods.

A puppy is capable of learning as an adult dog. At forty-nine days, a puppy's brain waves are the same as those of an adult dog. Puppies are little sponges soaking up every bit of information they come in contact with. If you do not show them what you want them to do, they're going to figure out their own way. They learn that it's fun to chew the couch. They learn that urinating on the carpet brings relief. They learn whether you are involved or not, so you might as well be involved and teach correct alternatives to their natural, little puppy inclinations. Still, some vets, breeders, and wise old dog people are remiss in their failure to recognize this.

$Myth\ 2-Keep\ the\ puppy\ behind\ closed\ doors\ until\ he's\ had\ all\ his\ shots\ to\ keep\ him\ safe\ from\ diseases\ like\ parvovirus.$

Keeping the dog behind closed doors is not the panacea you think it to be. Unless this dog is living in a bubble, he will never be safe from exposure to disease. You can step in animal waste and

Top Ten Myths and Realities (cont)



inadvertently track it into your home on the soles of your shoes. In fact, isolating your young puppy from the world could foster more harm than good. If you don't socialize your puppy prior to three months of age, you run the very real risk of creating a fearful, antisocial dog.

By taking calculated risks like going to a puppy class where all participants are vaccinated and healthy; visiting with friends who have healthy dogs; taking the puppy for drives in the car on errands; and having puppy parties to which you invite acquaintances of all colours, sizes and ages, you will create a well-rounded, confident adult dog that is worldly in his views of the human realm.

Myth 3 – The puppy chews on you because he is teething

Yes, the puppy may be teething. More likely he is treating you like another puppy and he's exploring his world and boundaries with you. Do not indulge him because you think it is something he needs to do. You are not his chew toy. Otherwise you could end up with a dog that has a hard bite – and a hefty lawsuit.

Myth 4 - Don't neuter or spay you dog because it will get fat, lose its desire for life, and suffer severe personality changes.

Dogs get fat for the same reason people get fat; too much food and not enough exercise. The specific changes in a male are simply due to the fact that he no longer has a strong desire to roam, fight, mount and otherwise exhibit undesirable behaviours. If you feel these behaviours are not a problem with your dog, then neuter him to prevent prostate and testicular cancer. Females that have been spayed before their first estrous cycle will not develop uterine cancer, breast cancer, or other female ailments. Spayed or neutered dogs have been shown to have longer, healthier lives.

Obviously spaying and neutering your dog helps put an end to the tragic overpopulation of dogs. More than six million animals are euthanised in pounds and shelters every year. This figure does not include the countless number of dogs that are killed on the street or starve to death. We spend over one billion dollars every year to euthanise dogs, yet we blithely call them 'man's best friend'. Even if you decide to breed your dog and find the puppies home, you are still not exempt. These home you found for your puppies were homes that would probably adopt another dog already in need of a home. You merely add to the surplus, the grief and the heartache by breeding your dog. Leave breeding to the reputable hobby breeders.

Myth 5 – Dogs a little people in furry coats

Dogs are very different from people. They might as well be aliens from another planet. While dogs do share some of our similarities – being social animals, having the ability to care for their young, and developing strong bonds – they do not share our ability for abstract thought. Dogs do not think about the past or future or feel guilt or vengeance. Dogs do not share our moral codes. This does not make them bad creatures, merely different. Problems occur when we wrongly impose our views on them. We expect too much of our dogs. We must accept the fact that dogs are not little people in furry coats. We need to understand that what we value has no bearing on what a dog values.

Myth 6 - Dogs have a desire to please

Dogs, like every other organism, are driven by survival. The fact that your dog does not have a desire to please you does not mean you cannot have an immense, loving relationship with him. If your dog does not come when you call him, it's not because he doesn't love you. It's because you

Top Ten Myths and Realities (cont)

have not properly reinforced coming or because a competing motivation is more powerful. Strengthening a command entails finding a powerful motivator such as a treat or a toy.

Myth 7 - Crates are like jails - ostracizing, mean and cruel

Dogs are den animals by nature. They tend to seek, small confined spaces like under a bed or table or in a cubbyhole. To a dog a crate is safety, security and a place of his own. Crates are incredibly useful tools for housebreaking as well as preventing destructive behaviours like chewing. When place in a high-traffic area, the dog still feels he's part of the family. At some point in your dog's life, he is going to be place in a crate whether at the vet's, at the groomer's, or while traveling. It's always a good idea to acclimate the dog from the start to avoid future trauma.

Myth 8 – When the dog does something wrong, just say "no"

Certainly a dog can be trained suing the word no. However, it is more educational, fair and easy to use an instructive reprimand. This means using a word that not only tells a dog to stop what he's doing but also instructs him in what he should do. For example, if the dog is caught eliminating in the house you say "outside" teaching him that potty is a location issue and therefore he should eliminate outside. If the dog is jumping up on a person, you say "off", telling him he should get off the person. If the dog is barking, you say "quiet" and he should become quiet. Instructive reprimands are specific to the current behaviour or action. Your dog may stop when he hears "no", but he still has to pee. An instructive reprimand gives him a correct direction.

Myth 9 - You cannot be indulgent with your dog and have him be well behaved

You can be as indulgent as you want with your dog as long as boundaries and training are in place and he views you as a leader. My dogs are allowed in my bed and I feed them from the table. I do not have problems with my dogs because I am a strong leader. If I want my dogs to get off my bed, I tell them to get off and they do. If I don't want them hanging around my dining room table while I'm eating, I simply tell them to go lie down and they do. These are privileges that I bestow upon my dogs, and I take great joy in doing so without losing their respect.

Myth 10 – Dogs know when they've been bad Dogs don't think in abstract terms, and guilt is an abstraction. If your dog's ears are back, his tail is tucked and he has an overall low body posture, he may look guilty. We misinterpret the dog's slinking as a sign of guilt but that isn't what he's feeling. People falsely believe the dog thinks, "if only I hadn't chewed the couch".

Your dog assumes a submissive body posture as a direct reaction to your signs of anger. When you come home and punish your dog for chewing the couch, he does not associate his act with his punishment. He associates his punishment with your homecoming and learns to fear your arrival. This can exacerbate the situation because he becomes anxious about you coming home and chew the couch even more.





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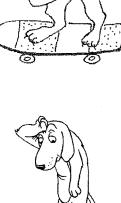
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WHEN DOES YOUR DOG BECOME OLD?

Larger dogs have shorter life spans than small dogs. The American Animal Hospital Association in Denver put together this table to give an age-range for 'old', which is based on a dog's size:

SMALL

20 pounds (9 kg)

9 to 13 years

MEDIUM

20-50 pounds (9-23 kg)

8.5 to 11.5 years

LARGE

50-90 pounds (23-41 kg)

7.5 to 10.5 years

GIANT

Over 90 pounds (41 kg)

6 to 8.5 years

The standard age table used to determine how old your dog is in human Years is as follows:

When a dog is 3 months old, he's 5 'people'

vears

6 months = 10 years

1 Year= 15 years

2 years = 24

3 years = 28

4 years = 32

5 years = 36

6 years = 40

o years – 40

7 years = 44

8 years = 48

9 years = 52

10 years = 56

12 years = 64

14 years = 72

16 years = 81

18 years = 91

20 years = 101 years.

Submitted by

Elaine Longshaw

LIFE MEMBER WINS PRESTIGOUS TATTERSALLS AWARD



There is possibly no-one in the Club that has not heard of 'Jirrahlinga Wildlife Sanctuary' by word of mouth, media advertisements, actual visits to the venue and for those not afforded that opportunity; advertisements for this facility appear regularly in our Club Newsletter. The owner and founder of this facility is none other than Tehree Gordon (formerly Lehrmann) a stalwart member and worker for our Club in its earlier years, and is in fact, one of the Club's Life Members.

Jirrahlinga was founded as a home for injured and orphaned wildlife. The facility has never received any government funding and there have been many occasions over the years due to excessive rescues, i.e. Ash Wednesday fires and similar incidents, where just to feed and tend to these creatures has seen the owner fighting to find food for the animals, let alone herself.

Apart from that oneness with animals, Tehree has always made the sanctuary available to people with disabilities, school children and nursing home patients just to enable close encounters of the very nicest kind, in order to let light into someone else's life.

Tehree likes to be a pioneer in many fields, and one of her endeavours had her become the first WOMAN Shire ranger in Australia, working for the Bellarine Shire Council. Since that time we have all fallen under the amalgamation umbrella and most of us live under the C.O.G.G. direction. Tehree also pushed for many years to bring wildlife into the prison system in the hope that caring for such animals/reptiles would promote some sort of goal for selected inmates. To this end Lara Prison was the first facility to incorporate this idea under Tehree's direction.

Boarding kennels have always operated at the venue in order to supplement the income, which mostly went back into more rescues etc, and there has always been an interest in breeding and owning dogs. Her major passion being the German Shepherd Dog, which she loved to train and work to their fullest capabilities, and by way of comparison, she also had her toy poodles. Over the years her breeding has changed to some of the smaller breeds, but the love for dogs has not diminished in any way.

In 1985 at the request of the State Government the facility was opened to the public for the first time and has been ever since.

In February of this year, Tehree was named as the monthly recipient of the Tattersalls Award, which has been run nationally since 1980. That in itself was a victorious award and well deserved. (I was fortunate enough to attend the award presentation at that time, and it was a very special day.)

The culmination of these awards for the year was held in Melbourne in late August, and Tehree along with the other eleven (11) finalists within Australia, attended the annual presentation. To her credit Tehree won the "Tattersalls Enterprise and Achievement Award" for 2003. The judging panel was unanimous in their award and \$75,000 was awarded to the sanctuary to enable it to go ahead with its sensory pavilion and other projects. The sensory pavilion will enable those with disabilities to get closer to the animals and feel at one with them.

Tehree was awarded \$15,000 for herself, and instantly gave each of the other finalists \$500.00 towards their respective charities (a first in its history). Jirrahlinga is run on 'Love and faith' and has a minimal number of dedicated staff members and a large contingent of volunteers.

Well done to Tehree and Jirrahlinga!

By Elaine Longshaw

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Recipe for a happy canine family

Your relationship with your dog needs respect and compromise too

Happy families, winning football teams, loving marriages and good friendships --- what do these things have in common? All these relationships need respect and compromise in order to be successful. These same ingredients are essential to a long, happy relationship with your dog, too!

Like you, your dog is a living creature with a mind of his own. He has likes and dislikes. Like you, he feels pain and loneliness. Like you, he has needs, the most basic of which are food, water, companionship and a comfortable place to live. Like you, he also has a need to be himself, to play and have fun.

Unlike you, your dog is an animal, not a miniature human being or a wind-up toy. He thinks but not in the same way that you do. His mind isn't capable of the same kind of reasoning that yours is. He looks at the world through different-animal eyes. He doesn't have a conscience and he doesn't know the difference between right and wrong. Through training, he can learn how to please you and what makes you upset with him but he doesn't understand the why's of things.

For example, your dog can tell from your reaction that it makes you very angry when he scatters the contents of the wastebasket all around the house but he isn't able to understand why you don't like it. If he's housebroken, he probably knows that he's not allowed to use the living room rug as a bathroom but he has no idea that it's because his urine will ruin the carpet.

In order to get the most out of your relationship with your dog, it's important to accept and respect the fundamental differences between dogs and people so you can work out compromises that will make those differences easier and more comfortable for both of you to live with. Recipe for a happy canine family (cont)

Q: How do I keep my dog out of the trash can? I've scolded him over and over but it doesn't help. The last time he did it, he got sick on spoiled food and threw up all over the dining room! I'm afraid he's going to eat something that will hurt him and I'm tired of cleaning up a big mess!

A: Dogs love food more than almost anything else. Any kind of food is a temptation, spoiled or not. Dogs can be trained to stay out of the garbage as long as someone's always around to reinforce their training. Left alone, though, most dogs just can't resist the temptation.

People have tried some very creative things to keep their dogs out of the trash including booby trapping the wastebasket! It'll be much easier, though, for both of you if you respect your dog's weakness for food and compromise by putting the garbage out of your dog's reach altogether. Using covered wastebaskets or storing the trash bin in a cupboard or broom closet is a stress-free and permanent solution. \

Q: I've just about had it with my dog! He's chewed up two of my daughter's dolls, three remote controls, a pair of expensive running shoes and I can't find a single sock to wear that doesn't have a hole chewed in it. I don't understand this - he has plenty of toys of his own. What am I going to do? I can't afford his destruction anymore!

A: No, you certainly can't and the problem can be solved very easily if you're willing to make a few changes.

Few dogs can tell the difference between a costly pair of Reeboks and the old tennies you were going to throw away. The socks left lying near the bed don't look much different to your dog than the soft knotted chew toy you bought for him. To your dog, your daughter's doll is very similar to his own stuffed bear. If an item is within easy reach, has your scent on it and is chewable, your dog is going to consider it fair game to play with. When your daughter was small, she couldn't tell the difference between her toys and expensive forbidden objects either. She wanted to investigate everything. If you couldn't supervise her directly, you put things out of reach if you didn't want her to touch them. As she grew up and was able to understand, you taught her why she couldn't play with certain items.

Because your dog is a dog and not a child, he's never going to be as smart as your daughter. He's never going to understand why it's okay to chew on a plastic toy bone but not on the plastic remote control he found on the

coffee table. When you're there to watch him, you can keep him from destroying your property but when he's left to himself, he's going to go by his own very limited judgment.

Since we're smarter than our dogs (at least we hope!) and since we can understand the why's of things, it's often easier for us to learn new habits than it is for them. Can you train

yourself to put the remote control on a shelf when it's not being used? Can you teach your daughter to put her dolls in her toy box when she's through with them? Can you put your

socks in a hamper and your shoes in the closet? Sure you can and far more easily than you can teach your dog to resist temptation and leave them alone!

By respecting your dog's limitations and working toward a compromise, your socks will have fewer holes, you'll have a lower stress level, a tidier house, a fatter wallet and your dog will be much happier because he's not being scolded all the time for something he can't understand. **Vicki DeGruv**

NOTICE OF MOTION AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR

General Meeting – 7th October 2003

Elections

P Convery moved 'that Motion 161 be rescinded and that the Election of Training Supervisor and 2 Assistant Training Supervisors be conducted in the same manner and timeframe as all Committee and Non-Committee positions as per Motion 162'

Seconded: J Convery

Rationale

Such important Club positions should be an open election and General Members should have the right to vote, if required, at the Annual General Meeting.

Instructor's Uniforms

Instructor's and Committee recommendation

'that the Instructors be supplied with both a Polo Shirt and a wet weather Jacket'. Committee recommendation 'that all equipment will remain the property of Geelong Obedience Dog Club'.

Rationale

Samples will be available at the Meeting. The last time Instructors were provided with Jackets was in 1991 and these Jackets are unsuitable particularly for wet, cold weather. High visibility wear has been suggested so that Instructors are more readily identifiable to Members when they are being directed to Classes.

VCA Insurance

P Convery moved 'that the Membership of Geelong Obedience Dog Club be increased by \$3.00 Single/Junior/Pensioner Single/Pensioner Junior and \$6.00 Family/Dual/Pensioner Family/Pensioner Dual for Non VCA Members to cover Insurance effective from the 1st January 2004'.

Seconded: J Convery

Rationale

As the VCA Insurance proposal comes into effect from January 2004 the increases in Club Membership Fees will also need to take effect from January 2004. The increases will need to be added to next year's brochures, Membership Forms, renewal forms, etc as a separate item and affect Non VCA Members only.

VCA Proficiency Test

H Read moved 'that any Member gaining the VCA Proficiency Test will be awarded the Club's Merit Certificate'.

Seconded: P Convery

Rationale

The VCA Proficiency Test is a State Government initiative tested by VCA Certified Instructors and any Member passing this test should to be recognized at a Club level.

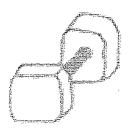
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DOG BREEDS TRAINING W	ATH US		X 2.21 V.	E TIMES
Crossbreeds	67	Maremma Sheepdog		2
Border Collie	44	Poodle (Standard)		3
German Shepherd Dog	34	Poodle (Toy)		3
Golden Retriever	33	Rhodesian Ridgeback		3
Labrador Retriever 2		Whippet		3
Rottweiler	19	Airedale Terrier		3
Staffordshire Bull Terrier	15	Australian Terrier		2
Boxer	13	Dalmatian		2
Jack Russell Terrier	13	Fox Terrier		2
Shetland Sheepdog	11	Irish Water Spaniel		2
Beagle	7	Pointer		2
Kelpie	7	Pug		2
Australian Cattle Dog	6	Schipperke		2
Dobermann	6		`	2
Poodle (Miniature)	5	Welsh Corgi (Pembroke American Bulldog	9	2
Siberian Husky	5	Border Terrier		1
Australian Shepherd	4	Cairn Terrier		1
Brittany	4			1
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel	4	Chinese Crested		1
Cocker Spaniel	4	Curly Coated Retriever Dacshund		1
Flat Coated Retriever	4	Gordon Setter		1
Labradoodle	4			1
Welsh Springer Spaniel	4	Irish Setter Newfoundland		1
Akita	3	Norfolk Terrier		1
Australian Bulldog	3			1
Collie (Rough)	3	Pharoah Hound		1
		Portuguese Water Dog		1
Great Dane	3 3	Sharpei		1
Hungarian Vizsla	3	Weimaraner		1
	3	West Highland White Ter	Tier	1
MEMBERSHIP TYPES				
Dual	39	Pensioner Family		18
Family	104	Pensioner Junior		1
Junior	5	Pensioner Single		22
Life Member	22	Single		106
Pensioner Dual	2			100
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"Wolfe" Schroer Debbie

"Tylo" Large Stewart

"Toby" Snowling Chris

"Tilly" & "Bella" Green Helen

"Thomas" Mackey Fiona

"Sabrina" Harland Family

"Storm" & "Pugsly" Pownceby Family

"Sorcha" & "Django" Hotchin Libby

"Shep" Whelan Anthony

"Sasha" & "Bailey" Wells Family

"Ruff" & "Pip" Bond Cathy "Ruby" Robertson Family

"Ruby" & "Annie" Retallick Christine

"Roxy" Brian Family

"Riley" Gray Family

"Polly" & "Tina" Fletcher Shirley

"Murray" Guinane Paul

"Oscar" McColl Family "Mishka" Greaves Naomi

"Ramona" Bursac Sasha

"Micky" Smith Janette

"Max" Walsh Cath

"Jet" Burge Roma

"Kelly" & "Tess" Jackson Family

"Gohan" & "Videl" Johnstone/Kilbourne Family

"Gemma" Gough Deborah/Eddy Mark

"Gem" Wilson Madeleine

"Dusty" Wills Lyn

"Dharma" Feeney Clare/Rane Vinay

"Casper" Malady Sandy/Rouse Keith

"Captain" MacKenzie Family

"Candy" Florescu Michelle

"Buzz" Pamplin Sonia

"Boo" Edwards David/Lambert Cindy

"Bonnie" Jenkins Family

"Bob" Aras Daina/Gamot Jean-Marie

"Biggles" Shields Family

"Bianca" Glessing Family

"Bess" & "Rosie" Robertson Helen

"Ben" Canny Family

"Banjo" Atkinson Family

"Bailey" Worthington Jayne/Jennings Mark

"Angie" Strauss Jude

"Angel" & "Molly" Cunningham Melissa

"Aley" Montgomery Christine

DOG BREEDS FROM A TO Z

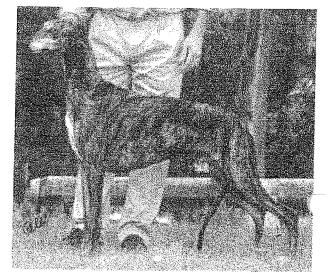
Greyhound

Speedy and keen-sighted, the Greyhound is one of the most ancient of all dog breeds - so old in fact that even the origin of its name has been lost.

This breed probably has Middle Eastern origins, and due to the isolation created by deserts, was not "corrupted" by

other breeds during its development. The Greyhound is a dog designed purely for speed. The best evidence of the breed's origin comes from pictures on Egyptian tombs of a dog very similar to today's Greyhound. These tombs have been dated back 5000 years.

British records show that the Greyhound had reached England by 900 AD. It is likely that the breed arrived in Europe via the early Phoenician trading ships. The Greyhound was very popular in Europe in the Middle Ages and it was not uncommon for royalty to use the Greyhound as a heraldic dog. They are represented on the coats of arms of Charles V of France and Henry VIII of England. The breed was originally used for coursing game, usually hare, but also animals as large as leopards. They are not used in this capacity in modern times, but the sport of Greyhound racing serves to keep the breed true to its original purpose.



The Greyhound is a tall dog that is not massive, but gives the impression of power, much like a sleek racing car. Height: 26 - 30 in (67 - 76 cm). Weight: 60 - 70 lb (27 - 32 kg). Greyhounds bred for the showring tend to be heavier and slightly larger than their racing brethren.

The head of the Greyhound is long and slender, widening across the backskull. The ears are small and are rose-shaped (folded and carried back from the head), except when alert. The eyes, as befits a breed with perhaps the ceenest eyesight of any breed of dog, are large, dark and oval-shaped, without being prominent. The neck is long and graceful and the back is slightly roached (arched), and slopes to extremely well-muscled hindquarters. The shest of a Greyhound is very deep, but not broad, and provides excellent lung capacity. The legs are long and strong, ending in long, tight, well-knuckled feet, essential for a running machine.

The coat is very short and fine. Greyhounds come in almost any color imaginable, from black, white, red, fawn, prindle, and fallow, to blue, or any of these colors on white.

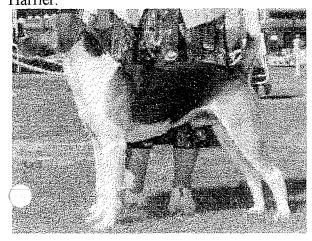
Greyhounds are considerably variable in their individual behavior. This variation is largely due to the way they are cept and what degree of socialization they have had with other dogs and people. Greyhounds are mostly kept for acing purposes. Apart from being superbly fit and very fast, these dogs have a well-developed chase reflex and a competitive spirit.

Sometimes owners keep their Greyhounds as companion animals after they have finished their racing career. These logs can become very affectionate and good-natured as they become part of the owner's family.

Harrier

The Harrier is not as well known today as its relatives, the J\English Foxhound and Beagle; however, it did have a moment of fame during the 1890s when it was more popular than the Beagle as a hunting dog.

The Harrier breed came into existence in the 1800s and was developed by crossing the Beagle with the now extinct St. Hubert Hound. The Harrier was bred to hunt small game such as hares and is considered to be a scent hound. They are smaller than English Foxhounds and are suitable for following on foot or horseback. The first pack was recorded as being established in Britain in 1260. In this first phase, the breed was also known as the West County Harrier.



They never became universally popular, and by the early twentieth century, numbers had dwindled until there was only one pack of Harriers left in West County, England. To revive the breed, the remaining pure Harriers were crossed with the Foxhound. The introduction of Foxhound blood changed the Harrier into a considerably faster dog.

In the UK, Harriers are still interbred with small English Foxhounds, and the name is also used to refer to a type of small hound rather than a specific breed. Records show that the first Harriers were shipped to the US in the eighteenth century, but it is not known exactly where the Harriers landed.

This breed is a well-balanced, medium-sized hound, and looks similar to a larger, heavier Beagle. Height: 19 - 21 in (48 - 53 cm). Weight: 40 - 55 lb (18 - 25 kg). The most common color for the Harrier is tricolor, black, white and tan - although they can be all the usual Hound colors. The broad chest, strong back, and sturdy legs of the Harrier allow it to run for miles without becoming fatigued.



Although in most areas the Harrier is not as popular as the Beagle, it is a good all-round dog. Its size makes it ideal for people who prefer not to have a big dog but still want the robust characteristics of a larger breed. The Harrier is a very sociable dog that really enjoys the company of other dogs. It makes an excellent watch-dog and delights in alerting its owners to the presence of possible intruders.

The Harrier was originally a working tracking dog, and it is happiest when asked to find an object, animal, or person by scent. The Harrier is generally a good dog with people, and really benefits from early socialization.

Meeting opened: 8.00pm

Apologies H Read, J Wong, D Dickeson, R Johnstone, P McCormack, T Saunders, J Wayth Acc: K Devlin

Seconded: M Breiberg

Carried

Minutes from the previous General Meeting as distributed in the Newsletter, taken as read Acc: C Humphreys

Seconded: M Kilbourne

Carried

Business arising from the Minutes

- 1. Members were informed that the Club Obedience Sash has been donated to the Novice Bitch Class at the Royal Melbourne Show.
- 2. Lions Club Hearing Dog Centre Hahndorf S A. The Club logo is to be placed on a paver on the entrance path to the Centre in recognition of our recent donation.
- 3. Due to other commitments, P Convery asked if someone else could look into the costing and availability of ground seating for October's General Meeting. M Kilbourne offered to take on this project.

Correspondence Out: Lions Club of Leopold,

Correspondence In: L Kelleher, Gala Day Parade 2003, C Rapp

Business arising from Correspondence

1. Gala Day Parade 2003. S Malady will arrange the Club's entry in the Gala Day Parade. L Kelleher moved 'that we donate \$100.00 to the Gala Board towards the cost of running the Gala Day Parade'.

Seconded: T Thomas

Carried

2. After discussion of C Rapp's letter regarding Membership renewals, it was decided by the Members that sufficient notification was given for the close of Membership renewals. It was suggested that the only alteration could be to add the closing date to the expiry date on the Website. P Shakespeare will reply to C Rapp's letter.

Treasurer's Report

P Shakespeare read written report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment Acc: L Kelleher Seconded: K Devlin

Carried

Other Reports

Canteen Manager - In the absence of R Johnstone, A Thorogood read written report. Report attached to Minutes Book.

Summary - Thank you to all the Members who contributed their time and helped at July's Obedience Trial. The Canteen takings over the two days were \$788.15. Thank you also to the regular customer of the Canteen.

Grounds Manager - V Douglas gave verbal report.

Summary - The cost of new Hides for the Trials have been investigated. Best quote was \$300.00 per Hide from Libby's in Yarra Street. Two Hides need to be purchased. V Douglas will contact the

GENERAL MEETING

Council regarding composting of the branches and removal of the car from the grounds. Extensions to permanent Puppy Playpen have not been commenced as yet.

Publicity Officer – S Malady read written report. Report attached to the Minutes Book.

Summary – Photos from the Trials are displayed on the Photo board. Visit from Mrs Robinson and "Maggie" and cheque presented to Lions Club for Hahndorf Hearing Dog Centre. Visits to Mrs Robinson have now been completed and "Maggie" has settled in well. Display Team should be ready in the near future to promote the Club again. Instructor's photo board completed.

Trial Secretary – J Convery read written report. Report attached to the Minutes Book.

Summary - Thank you to all the Members who worked so hard to make our Trial weekend such a success. It is the first time we have attempted 2 Trials, a Dinner and a Seminar all in the one weekend and without your help it just wouldn't have been possible. All reports from the Trials have been positive. Next back-to-back Trials will be held in November. Also, a reminder to our Trial Members regarding Trial results and Title notification for end of year awards and update of Photo Gallery in the Clubrooms.

Sub-Committee Reports

Nil

Acc: T Thomas

Seconded: M Kilbourne

Carried

General Business

Vispat Meeting request for Monday 15th September – 8.00pm. F Lehrmann moved 'that Vispat be given permission to use the Hall as requested'
 Seconded: J Convery

- 2. Members were informed of an Increase in Council Grounds Fees from \$368.50 to \$386.90.
- 3. C Humphreys asked if there was anyway we could control Mobile phones in Classes, as they can be very disruptive. Members suggested that Mobile phones are often necessary for work commitments or business purposes and asked if all Instructors could speak to their Classes regarding considerate use of Mobile phones in Class, i.e. moving away from the Class area while on the phone.
- 4. P Convery reported that the Club cloth supermarket bags were progressing, despite difficulties with the Club Logo, which hopefully has now been resolved.
- 5. F Lehrmann asked if the Club would consider running a Junior Handler Trial in 2004 to promote competitive Obedience to Junior Members. Members fully supported the idea. P Convery to write to the VCA requesting guidance in conducting this event.
- 6. It was suggested that a Sub-Committee should be formed to arrange social events for the 50th Anniversary year in 2004. F Lehrmann moved 'that Barry Elliott be asked to act as Chair Person of the 50th Anniversary Committee'.

Seconded: C Humphreys

Carried

7. Requests have come from Merit Class Members who wish to Trial in Encouragement for ringcraft Classes. F Lehrmann agreed to assist any Members needing help.

- 8. Members were asked if there were any objections to Agility Classes being held on Promotion Days. Members agreed that Classes should be conducted as usual.
- 9. P Convery asked if she could write to the VCA regarding our request for back-to-back July and back-to-back November Trials in 2004 as the draft schedule showed that these Trials had not been granted. Members agreed.
- 10. P Convery showed Members a sample of the proposed trophies for the 50th Anniversary Trials. Members agreed that the timber frame and photo should be used.
- 11. L Kelleher asked if all Instructors could please return equipment to where they took it from after training each Sunday. Eight witches hats are required by the Trial Classes on a Monday night and as there is no lighting over the river end Storeroom roller door, these need to be left on the Trial trolley each Sunday.
- 12. M Kilbourne moved 'that we purchase 6 small rope reels for the Storeroom Seconded: J Jessen

Carried by majority

As there was no further business

Meeting closed: 9.00pm

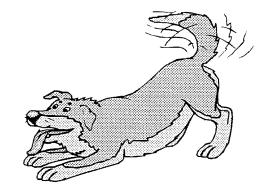
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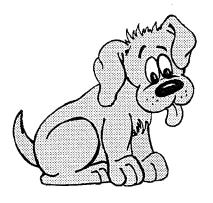


Canine Freestyle (square dancing with our dogs)

Obedience work

Tricks and Agility

Available for your next Fete, Fundraising Function or Promotional Event



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