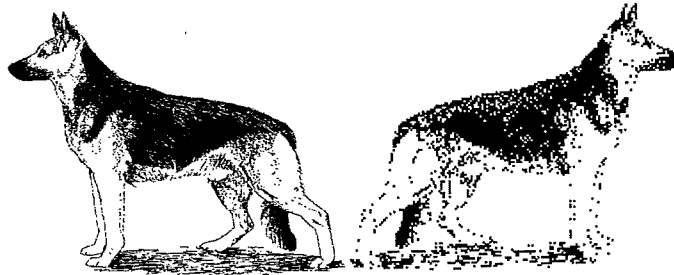
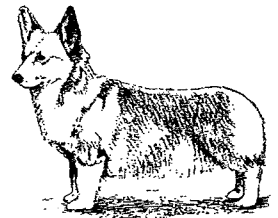
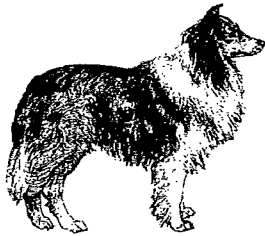
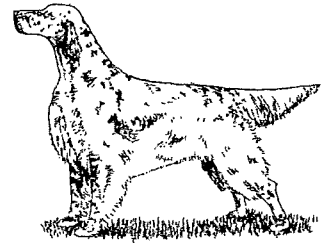
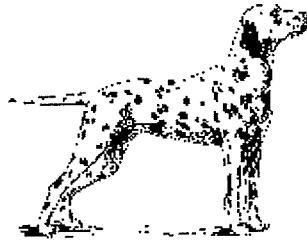


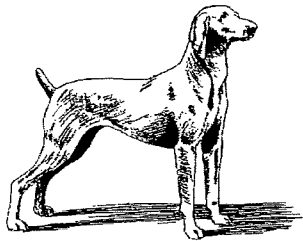
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CLUB CALENDAR

October

Sunday	2 October	Normal training. Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Tuesday	4 October	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 8.00 pm
Thursday	6 October	Puppy Kinder for puppies 8 – 16 weeks
Sunday	9 October	Normal training
Monday	10 October	Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm.
Friday	15 October	Newsletter closes for articles, reports, etc
Sunday	16 October	Normal training
Sunday	23 October	Normal training
Sunday	30 October	Normal training. Newsletter available

November

Thursday	3 November	Puppy Kinder for puppies 8- 16 weeks
Sunday	6 November	Normal training. Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Sunday	13 November	Normal training
Monday	14 November	Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm.
Tuesday	15 November	Newsletter closes for articles, report, etc
Sunday	20 November	Normal training. End of Year Awards closing date
Sunday	27 November	Normal training. Newsletter available.

December

Sunday	4 December	Normal training
Tuesday	6 December	General Meeting – 8.00 pm unless otherwise advised
Sunday	11 December	PROMOTION DAY
Sunday	18 December	Last day of training for 2005
Thursday	22 December	Office closes

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 Desma Dickeson - Training Supervisor
 Andrew Wallace - Assistant Training Supervisor
 David Gravalin - Assistant Training Supervisor

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Leonie Kelleher	Moirra McNair	Fred Lehrmann
Victor Douglas	Val Moeller	Sandy Malady
David Gravalin	Kim Ciezarek	John Shields
Kath Devlin	Shirley Fletcher	Pam Convery
Tina Button	Desma Dickeson	Helen Read
Colin Humphreys	Andrew Wallace	Trish Gavaghan (Agility)
Glenys Murray (Agility)	Peter Baker (Agility)	Sandra McCarthy (Flyball)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help

GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well another month is nearly over.

By now you should all have received the last Newsletter. Well all the nominations are in and as per usual we are a couple of people short. Check out the positions that haven't been filled, ask the outgoing Member what is entailed in the position and have a go at it. With out some of these positions being filled it makes the work of the Committee a lot harder as they have to cover these other positions. Don't forget to check if you are eligible to vote and if you are come along to the AGM on the 4th of October.

I must thank Victor, our intrepid Ground's Manager, and his band of workers, for a job well done in preparing the grounds for the last Trial. Not a big entry but it went off well. Even the weather was kind to us.

Jim Ball - President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Another month has gone by and another trial. Well done to all members who did well on the day and commiserations to those who didn't. (I'm one of them. Ah well! Practice makes perfect). Thankyou to all who helped at the trial and the working bees, and to the members who donated items for the cake stall. All volunteers are greatly appreciated.

A reminder to all that the AGM is on the 4th October; this is the night where the next Committee are voted on (if voting required). Members are encouraged to attend and vote. If you feel you have something to contribute, this is the night to have your say. If you are unsure about your eligibility to vote, there is a list on the noticeboard.

This will be my final entry as Secretary; I have decided to stand down as I wish to concentrate on Instructing and training my dogs. There are so many people I would like to Thank for supporting me in this role. It is not an easy position but it has given me plenty of experience. I have found that the position involves being a mediator, councillor, carer, leader, thinker etc..... I must say it was fun. I got to know many people and dogs.

I would like to say a big Thankyou to Pam Convery... Without her help at times I would have been definitely taking the wrong turns.

That's all for now. See you at the AGM. All the best in your training.

Tina Button - Outgoing Secretary.

TRIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi everyone

Well, our Trials are over for yet another year. Our most recent one on the 4th September was very successful and the weather was excellent after some very doubtful conditions early in the week.

Thank you to those Members who helped with the Trial. Our working band was small as usually but we got the job done. Perhaps next year a few more people could offer their help and give the regulars some support. Trials don't just happen, the early preparation starts weeks before and the

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final paperwork is done the week after, so it isn't just one of those miracles that we all sometimes take for granted.

The Obedience side of Trials for 2006 is well underway with the new rules coming into effect on the 1st January. A draft copy of the rules is available and will be ratified at next month's ANKC Meeting. The changes are excellent and long overdue with much easier steps through the levels and hopefully this will encourage more people to consider being part of a great dog sport. The Agility processes hasn't been quite so smooth, but hopefully next month will see a decision on whether the new rules will take effect in 2006 or 2007. Either way we will need to do a major overhaul of all our equipment early in the New Year and when the date is set we will be looking for people prepared to help with that task before we return to training in 2006.

Don't forget Obedience Trial training is available each Tuesday night commencing at 7.30pm. If you would like to take part, see Pam, Janelle or Leonie. Agility Trial training is on a Monday night and you need to see Trish for more information there.

Lastly, to all our Trialling Members, don't forget copies of Pass Cards are required at the Office to be eligible for End of Year Awards and make sure your name is on the list for Title Medallions. Congratulations to all Members who have had successes this year and to those not quite so successful, 2006 will be the year.

Best wishes

Pam Convery - Trial Secretary

TRAINING SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

I'm on track with my report for the Newsletter this month – hope everyone is working towards our next Promotion Day, good luck to all.

The current Stand for Exam on lead in both Graduate and Merit Classes has been altered slightly regarding the distance from the dog. It is now "on a loose lead" due to the variations of lead lengths and no longer "at leads length", so please remember this and adopt the change in your work.

Class 1 Stand for Exam is per the test – I hope there's been lots of practice done in all Classes regarding this exercise as the results last Promotion Day for this exercise were woeful. Homework is a must if handlers wish to achieve their goals as the Instructor can only do so much in the hour you have in Classes.

Our "Save the Dingo" walk-a-thon in Eastern Gardens went very well and the weather was kind to us – it rained after the walk finished – can we have any outstanding monies handed in please so the final tally can be announced.

Thank you to the Instructors for their hard work every week – I do know the effort that you all put in.

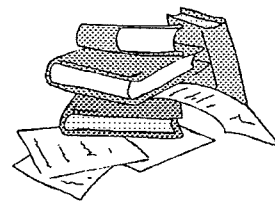
To think about – A dog wags his tail with his heart.
God, make me the person my dog thinks I am

Till later – love your dogs

Desma Dickeson - Training Supervisor

LIBRARY NEWS

Those marvellous donations keep rolling in. I reckon now we have one of the most comprehensive breed collections ever. However - one simple request - if the book you intend to donate is falling apart - we can't put it on our Library Shelves. Please save us from the embarrassment of having to refuse your offer & bin it yourself. The Library is more concerned with the purchase of new texts and accepting book donations that are in good order rather than investing in expensive equipment to repair books. Actually a Library is very much a throw-away concern - if you can't fix it - trash it. It is too expensive to do anything else.



Tina Button donated an old favourite - James Herriot. No need to review such a staunch old favourite of Animal Lovers.

Donors have given us some wonderful books - not just about breeds & training - but Chicken Soup for the Soul Books. These donations are in mint condition - just like new.

They are whimsical, philosophical, funny & beautifully illustrated. Check out the 700 & 800 in our collection - that's ART & LITERATURE - it's for you to find & enjoy. Come see for yourself.

OVERDUE BOOKS: Library Clients sometimes do not understand that somebody else may want to borrow the particular item they keep forgetting to return. We are a Club we support one another, please return your books on time so that another member can enjoy it too. That's fair.

BREED OF THE MONTH - HELEN READ'S ARTICLES ON HER PREFERRED BREED HAVE ENSURED IT IS:

THE ROTTWEILER.

Sorry - no English Royalty or American Presidents. Our Line-up is:

MICHAEL COLES - C.E.O. Great American Cookie Co.

ELVIRA - campy T.V. horror movie host & screen vampire.

CASSIE FISHER - Star Wars

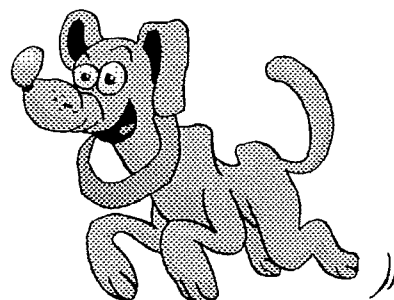
BRIAN AUSTIN GREEN - Beverly Hills

ELTON JOHN

STAN LEE - Marvel Comics Publisher

KENNY NORMAN (Pro-sports Atlanta Hawks) owns 4, all attack trained.

JACK SCALLA: - Dallas - the T.V. series



BOOKBUSTER THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

Remember, no matter how much you moult, you will never go bald and that really annoys humans, particularly the bald ones.

THE BOOKBUSTER COOKBOOK.

So simple for coat & health home cooked tucker that is cheap and good. In a large saucepan place the following ingredients -

1 kilo of pet mince (We use VIP dog mince from Coles)

1 kilo packet of generic brand frozen mixed vegetables

1 tablespoon of minced garlic (generic brand)

1 good slosh of vegetable oil

1 cup of uncooked rice

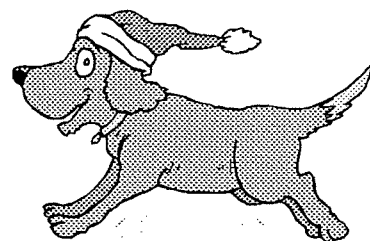
Approximately 1.5 litres of water

Bring to the boil, stirring regularly, and simmer briefly. We usually freeze half of it, because it tends to go off after a few days, despite being kept in the fridge. We also add a can of mackerel to each half as the dogs love it and it is good for them

Happy heeling from Robyn and Peg

Yes, it's almost Christmas again

Each year the Club asks Members for their support with 2 collections

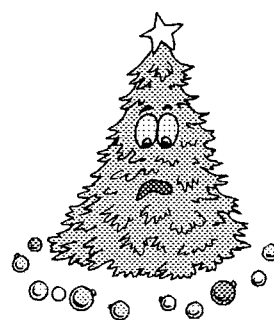


Lost Dogs Home Christmas Collection

For those of our animal friends who are less fortunate than our own. Tinned and dry food would be appreciated

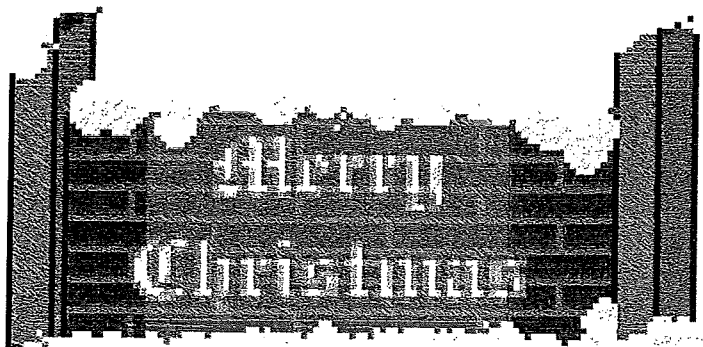
Club Christmas Hampers for our human Members

Tickets for the Christmas Raffles will be sold in December and drawn on the last day of training - December 18th



Boxes for both collections will be available in the Clubrooms from Sunday 2nd October

So, please add an extra non-perishable item or two to your shopping trolley over the next few weeks



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Winners – Practice of Excellence 2001

In 2001, the Australian Veterinary Association, in conjunction with the drug company Pfizer, awarded the inaugural "Practice of Excellence" awards. The only Victorian practice to win was the Bellarine Veterinary Practice, Geelong. A large number of high quality entries were received nationwide. The competition assessed the –

1. TYPE and RANGE of Veterinary service provided
2. STANDARD of facilities, equipment and services
3. TRAINING, EXPERTISE and COMPETENCE of both veterinary and nursing staff
4. OVERALL STANDARD OF CARE
5. 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 recredited as an Australian Small Animal Association "HOSPITAL

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We provide the highest level of services possible in practice in the fields of reproduction, orthopedic 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. May 2006

A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON PASSED AWAY THIS WEEK

Our Club was saddened to hear of the passing of its most valuable Member "SOMEONE ELSE"

Someone's passing creates a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with our Club since it's beginning and did far more than a normal person's share. Whenever there was a job to do, rallies to arrange or just washing up the dishes after the Meeting, one name was on everyone's lips, "SOMEONE ELSE".

It's common knowledge that "SOMEONE ELSE" was the largest contributor of their time to our Club. Whenever there was a need for a volunteer, everyone just assumed that "SOMEONE ELSE" would of course, volunteer.

"SOMEONE ELSE" was a wonderful person, sometimes appearing to be superhuman. But a person can only do so much, were the truth be told everyone expected too much of "SOMEONE ELSE".

Now "SOMEONE ELSE" is gone, who is going to do the things that we all expected of "SOMEONE ELSE".

Now when we are asked to help, remember that we cannot depend on poor old "SOMEONE ELSE" any longer. Isn't it about time that we really stopped volunteering "SOMEONE ELSE" to do the job?

TRIAL RESULTS

Tracking – Inverleigh – 21/8/05

Debbie Hamilton	Goldscout Adventuress (Cassie)	Pass	Test 1
	Golden Retriever		

Tracking – Inverleigh – 22/8/05

Helen Read	Cobber	Aust Shepherd	TDX
Peter Baker	Tillsun Master Key (Amigo)	Aust Shepherd	Test 1
	CDX AD JD FDCh		

Southern Obedience Dog Training Club – Agility/Jumping Trial - 3/9/05

Masters Jumping

Peter Baker	Dunwarren Blue Curacao (Poppy)	Border Collie	Pass	2 nd Place
	CD ET ADX JDM AFCh			

Open Agility

Peter Baker	Tillsun Master Key (Amigo)	Aust Shepherd	Pass	2 nd Place
	CDX ADX JD FDCh			

ADX (Agility Dog Excellent) Title

Peter Baker	Tillsun Master Key (Amigo)	Aust Shepherd	Pass	
	CDX ADX JD FDCh			

Open Jumping

Peter Baker	Tillsun Master Key (Amigo)	Aust Shepherd	Pass
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Geelong Obedience Dog Club – 4/9/05

Morning

Encouragement

J Wong	Gwyndara Hot Shot (Casey)	Irish Setter	NQ	3 rd Place
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Novice

L Wills	Sandy Brit (Dusty)	Associate	NQ	2 nd Place
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Open

J Chase	Tylker Ganesh CD AD JD ET (Cooper)	Boxer	2 nd Pass	1 st Place
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V Moeller	Voneiffel Aussie Dream CD (Gypsy)	Rottweiler	3 rd Pass	1 st Place
	"Highest Scoring Geelong Member"			

CDX (Companion Dog Excellent) Title



L Hopkins	Lara Jumping Bunny CD (Jessie)	Associate	NQ	2 nd Place
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Afternoon

Encouragement

J Wong	Gwyndara Hot Shot (Casey)	Irish Setter	NQ	3 rd Place
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Open

L Hopkins	Lara Jumping Bunny CD (Jessie)	Associate	NQ	2 nd Place
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"Highest Scoring Geelong Member"

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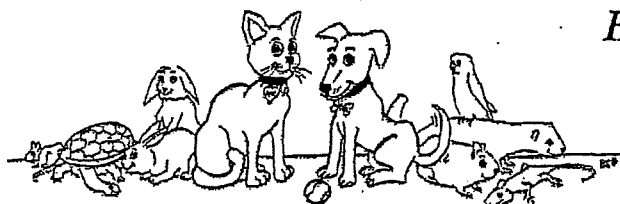
Christmas Day, New Year's Day and
Good Friday

Pets enjoy the company of others and what better place to find others than at a Boarding Kennel.

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.

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How many dogs does it take to change a light bulb?

1. **Golden Retriever:** The sun is shining, the day is young, we've got our whole lives ahead of us, and you're inside worrying about a stupid burned out bulb?
2. **Border Collie:** Just one. And then I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code.
3. **Dachshund:** You know I can't reach that stupid lamp!
4. **Rottweiler:** Make me.
5. **Boxer:** Who cares? I can still play with my squeaky toys in the dark.
6. **Labrador Retriever:** Oh, me, me! Pleeeeeeeeze let me change the light bulb! Can I? Can I? Huh? Huh? Can I? Pleeeeeeeeze, please, please!
7. **German Shepherd:** I'll change it as soon as I've led these people from the dark, check to make sure I haven't missed any, and make just one more perimeter patrol to see that no one has tried to take advantage of the situation.
8. **Jack Russell Terrier:** I'll just pop it in while I'm bouncing off the walls and furniture.
9. **Old English Sheep Dog:** Light bulb? I'm sorry, but I don't see a light bulb!
10. **Cocker Spaniel:** Why change it? I can still pee on the carpet in the dark.
11. **Chihuahua:** Yo quiero Taco Bulb. Or "We don't need no stinking light bulb."
12. **Greyhound:** It isn't moving. Who cares?
13. **Australian Shepherd:** First, I'll put all the light bulbs in a little circle...
14. **Poodle:** I'll just blow in the Border Collie's ear and he'll do it. By the time he finishes rewiring the house, my nails will be dry.

How many cats does it take to change a light bulb?

The Cat's Answer:

Cats do not change light bulbs. People change light bulbs. So, the real question is: "How long will it be before I can expect some light, some dinner, and a massage?"

ALL OF WHICH PROVES, ONCE AGAIN, THAT WHILE DOGS HAVE MASTERS, CATS HAVE STAFF!

DOG QUOTES

If I have any beliefs about immortality, it is that certain dogs I have known will go to heaven, and very, very few persons. - James Thurber

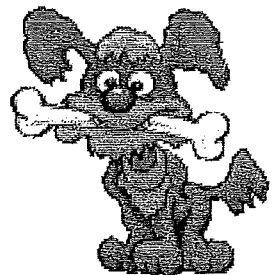
If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise. - Unknown

Speak softly and own a big, mean Doberman. - Dave Miliman

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you; that is the principal difference between a dog and a man. - Mark Twain

You can say any foolish thing to a dog, and the dog will give you a look that says, 'Wow, you're right! I never would've thought of that!' - Dave Barry

Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole. - Roger Caras



One More Dog – author unknown

One Dog Is No Trouble And Two Are So
Funny
The Third One Is Easy, The Fourth One's A
Honey
The Fifth Is Delightful, The Sixth One's A
Breeze
You Find You Can Live With A Housefly
With Ease

So How 'Bout Another? Would You Really
Dare?
They're Really Quite Easy, But Oh Lord, The
Hair!
With Dogs On The Sofa And Dogs On The
Bed
And Crates In The Kitchen, It's No Bother
You Said

They're Really No Trouble, Their Manners
Are Great
What's Just One More Dog And One More
Little Crate?
The Sofa Is Hairy, The Windows Are Crusty
The Floor Is All Footprints, The Furniture's
Dusty

The Housekeeping Suffers But What Do You
Care?
Who Minds A Few Nose prints And A Little
More Hair?
So Let's Keep A Puppy, You Can Always
Find Room
And A Little More Time For The Dust Cloth
And Broom

There's Hardly A Limit To The Dogs You
Can Add
The Thought Of A Cutback Sure Makes You
Feel Sad
Each One Is Special, So Useful, So Funny
The Food Bill Grows Larger, You Owe The
Vet Money

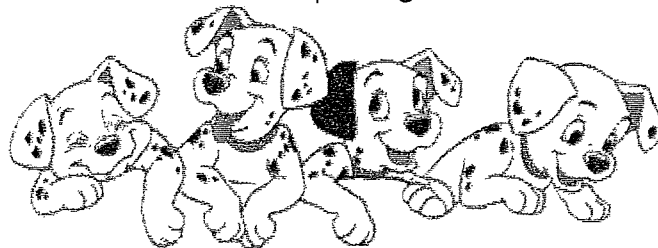
Your Folks Never Visit, Few Friends Come
To Stay
Except Other Dog Folks Who Live The Same
Way
Your Lawn Has Now Died And Our Shrubs
Are Dead Too
Your Weekends Are Busy, You're Off With
Your Crew

There's Dog Food And Vitamins, Training
And Shots
And Entries And Travel And Motels Which
Cost Lots
Is It Worth It You Wonder? Are You Caught
In A Trap?
Then That Favorite Comes Up And Climbs In
Your Lap

His Look Says You're Special And You
Know That You Will
Keep All The Critters In Spite Of The Bill
Winter Is A Hassle But The Dogs Love It
True
And They Must Have Their Walks Tho' You
Are Numb And Blue

Late Evening Is Awful, You Scream And You
Shout
At The Dogs On The Sofa Who Refuse To
Go Out
The Dogs And The Dog Shows, The Travel,
The Thrills
The Work And The Worry, The Pressure, The
Bills

The Whole Thing Seems Worth It, The Dogs
Are Your Life
They're Charming And Funny And Offset The
Strife
Your Lifestyle Has Changed, Things Just
Won't Be The Same
Yes Those Dogs Are Addictive And So's The
Dog Game!



Men & BBQs... sent in by Jenny Chase

It's the only type of cooking a real man will do. When a man volunteers to do the BBQ the following chain of events are put into motion:

1. The woman buys the food.
2. The woman makes the salad, vegetables, and dessert.
3. The woman prepares the meat for cooking, places it on a tray along with the necessary cooking utensils and sauces, and takes it to the man who is lounging beside the grill - beer in hand.

Here comes the important part:

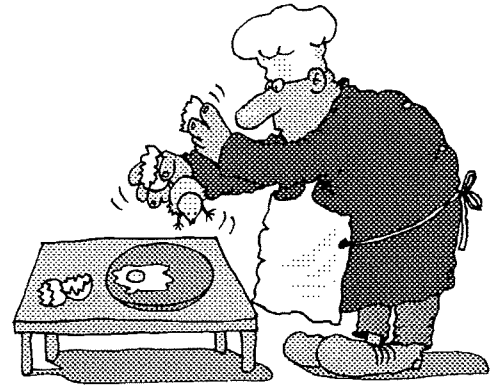
THE MAN PLACES THE MEAT ON THE GRILL

More routine....

1. The woman goes inside to organize the plates and cutlery.
2. The woman comes out to tell the man that the meat is burning. He thanks her and asks if she will bring another beer while he deals with the situation.

Important again:

THE MAN TAKES THE MEAT OFF THE GRILL AND HANDS IT TO THE WOMAN



More routine.....

1. The woman prepares the plates, salad, bread, utensils, napkins, sauces, and brings them to the table.
2. After eating, the woman clears the table and does the dishes.

And most important of all:

Everyone **PRAISES** the **MAN** and **THANKS HIM** for his cooking efforts. The man asks the woman how she enjoyed "her night off." And, upon seeing her annoyed reaction, concludes that there's just no pleasing some women....



FRIENDS QUOTES

Many people will walk in and out of your life.

But only true friends will leave footprints in your heart.

To handle yourself, use your head;
To handle others, use your heart.

Anger is only one letter short of danger.

If someone betrays you once, it is his fault;

If he betrays you twice, it is your fault.

Great minds discuss ideas;

Average minds discuss events;

Small minds discuss people.

He, who loses money, loses much;

He, who loses a friend, loses much more;

He, who loses faith, loses all.

Learn from the mistakes of others.

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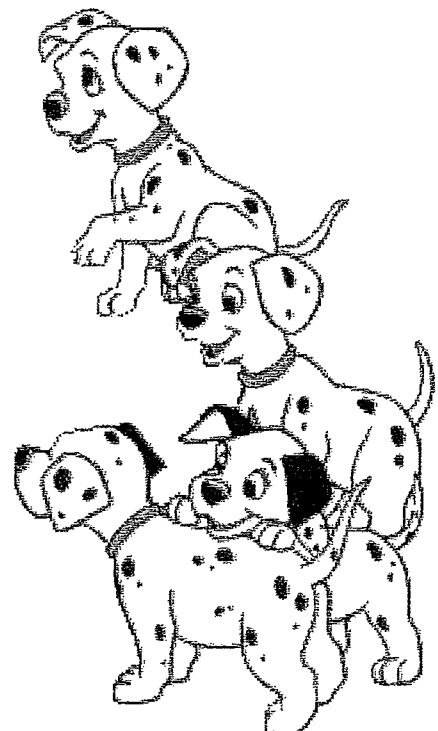
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FOR DOG LOVERS

Inner Strength

1. If you can start the day without caffeine
2. If you can get going without pep pills
3. If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains
4. If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles
5. If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it
6. If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time
7. If you can take criticism and blame without resentment
8. If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct him
9. If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend
10. If you can conquer tension without medical help
11. If you can relax without liquor
12. If you can sleep without the aid of drugs

Then You Are Probably
The Family Dog!



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 your training.

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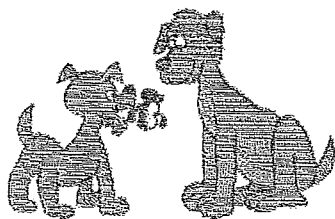
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 Langley Chelsey/Williams Craig
 Puksmann Tanya Elevato Jan
 Richmond Dallas/Russell Gail
 Tan Family Knott James/Kirby Tracey
 Berner Asti/Barca Kathy
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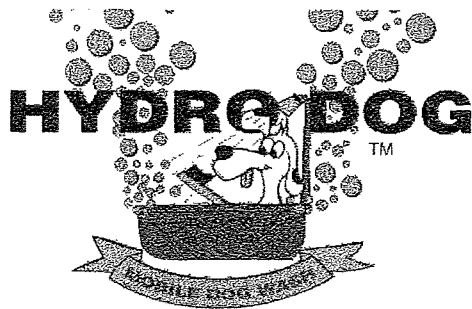
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 Hewitt Family
 Koning Rebecca
 Calaby Alyssa
 Ellis Marlene
 Flight Pam/Catfield Todd
 Raimondi Gabriella
 Connolly Luke/Davis Rebecca
 Scholer Family
 Garside Family

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Harford Family Carlton Jay/Brunton Shaun
 McGillivray Jason/Klos Trudy
 Manestar Stefan/Walmsley Rodney
 Middleton Family Dixon Tamara
 Colley Dawn HarleyFamily
 Wilson Dean Adamyk Sharon
 Jurcic Paul/Ciezarek April
 Mazengarb Jill Osborn Family
 Ward Wendy Conroy Christie/Macpherson Joshua
 Timms Tracey Anderson Family
 Montgomery Christine
 Agg Family Morton Cathy/Preece Colin
 Stewart Megan Goodwin Family
 Kokrhelj Family Bailey Andrew/Gleeson Penny
 Allen Tanya/Etheridge Michael
 Kuhle Erica/Flakemore Gavin
 Landkroon Natalie

Fletcher Jamie/Riley Elise
 Stones Kathy
 Gray Tarrant/Shanahan Amy
 Trigg Hayley
 Abella Dominic/Lee Kathleen
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Newsletter closing date is the 15th of each month.

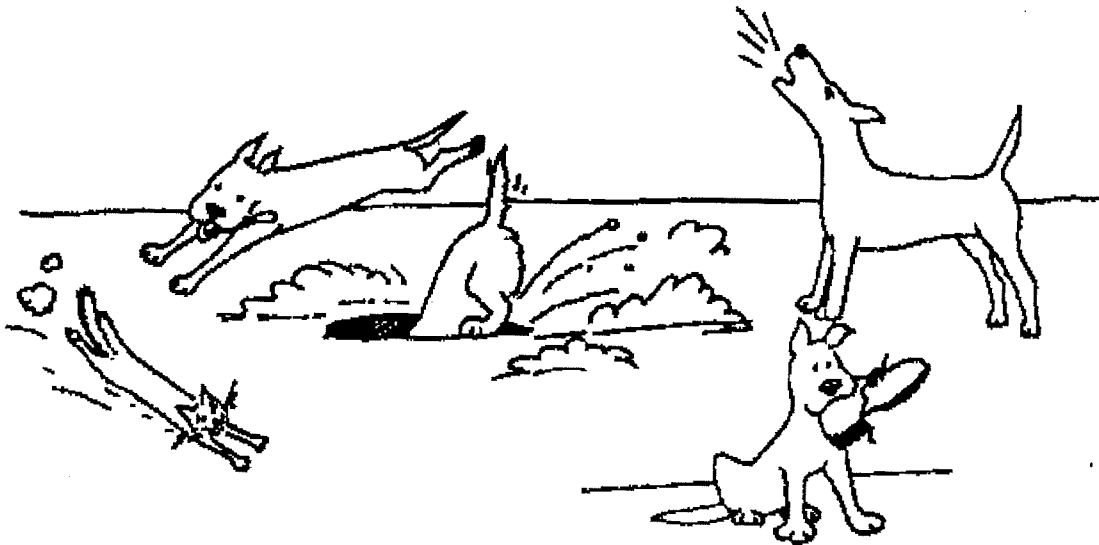


Quick Fix Tools

A little Management goes a long way to problem-solving! So the training's going fine. Almost every day, you spend up to three 15-20 minute-long sessions practicing the obedience exercises you learned in class. But meanwhile, your dog is still chewing on the couch, peeing on the carpet, or digging up the garden. What you need is some good doggy management!

Management is a way of structuring the dog's environment so that she always does the right thing and never makes a mistake. Management is NOT training. Through management, the dog is not *learning* what she should or should not do, but circumstances compel her to do the right thing anyway. In that way, it's often a lot simpler than training.

Most management tools are barriers of some sort that restrict your dog's movements or access to things. A leash is a management tool: it keeps your dog close to you, out of the street, away from the cats, and within the legal requirements. Fences, doors, exercise pens, kennels and baby gates are also common management tools. Maybe you're not taking advantage of them all enough.



Doors and gates

Most puppies and even many dogs cannot take the responsibility to behave well when given the freedom of an entire house and garden. There are just too many possibilities to make an error over what to chew, where to pee, and what to play with. Until you are confident in your dog's training, restrict your dog to puppy-proofed areas of the house when no one is there to supervise. Close doors to keep your puppy out of rooms. In our house, the master bedroom was off-limits to dogs (per my husband's request). While my dog would not go (entirely) past the doorway when I'm watching (and praising him for staying out), I kept the door shut when I wasn't

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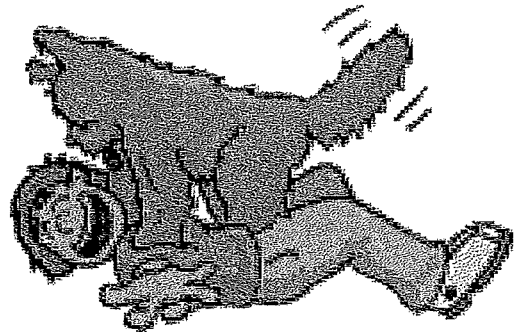
watching him. (We've since changed that rule and welcomed him in the bedroom, too!)

Use a baby gate if your doorway has no door. In our dog's youth, when we were busy cooking, we put the gate up to keep Flipper in the dining room, where he couldn't stand in front of the cabinets or stick his nose in the fridge. On the rare occasions when we were actually eating in the dining room, he's put on the other side of the gate so he can't learn any begging-at-the-table habits (and no one else learns any feeding-the-dog-at-the-table habits!). Baby stores, pet stores, and many thrift stores sell baby gates.

I recently heard about a man whose dog had chewed up 20 pairs of shoes! Remember what Shirley Chong says: "Puppies were put on earth to teach humans to put their socks away". Even young children can learn a "put it away or lose it" rule for items left in the Puppy Zone. Put the shoes, toys, sweaters, blankies, etc. in the closet or bedroom and shut the door when you're not there to interrupt the puppy and direct her towards her proper chew toys.

Fences

A good fence will keep your dog in your yard, out of the street, out of the trashcans, and away from the neighborhood squirrels and cats. For climbers or jumpers, the fence should be 6-8 feet high. You can add a top "lip" piece that goes into the yard a foot or so, at a 45-90 degree angle, to keep the dog from going over the top if you have a climber.



A shorter wire or picket fence (available in gardening and home-supply stores) can keep a digger out of certain areas of the garden. (If your dog *loves* to dig, you should also provide a sandbox to dig in as a "legal" outlet for this hobby.)

If your yard is too big to fence in, or there are too many parts of the garden you don't want him digging in, consider installing a dog run or outdoor kennel. You can buy a steel-and-wire dog run pre-fabricated from many pet stores or home-supply stores.

A more solid fence of brick or stone or overlapping wood planks will reduce a dog's need to bark at the neighbors or passersby. You can also grow a hedge along the fence to make a great buffer zone, especially if there is another dog on the other side.

Leashes and collars

When you are outside of your safely-enclosed area, your dog should be on a leash. In many places, that is the law. Unless your dog is 110% reliable in obeying your

Quick Fix Tools (continued)

commands, especially "come", the risk of your dog getting into trouble, getting lost, or getting injured (especially by cars) is too great. A leash can save your dog's life.

If your dog pulls on the leash, or drags you when he lunges after squirrels, cats or other dogs, you should of course train him to walk more politely. The "quick fix" management solution is a front-lead harness (such as an **Easy Walk**), or a head halter (such as a **Black Dog Head Halter**). These devices work more quickly and more humanely than choke or pinch collars to control pulling and lunging.

Summary

Be pro-active about managing your dog's problems. If your dog attacks the vacuum cleaner, put her outside, in another room, or in her crate while you vacuum. Flipper likes to chase the water from the hose, so if we need to do some serious spraying we put him inside.

If there is some object your dog "misbehaves" with, make it inaccessible. Keep the remote control on the shelf. Put your wallet in a dresser drawer. Hang your purse in the closet or on a coat rack. Turn the easy chair against the wall, turn it over, or put a metal cookie sheet across the arms if you don't want your dog sitting in it. Close the curtains on the front window so your dog doesn't scratch the glass when she sees people going by. Buy a mailbox and place it in front of the slot so that your dog can't get the mail before you do. Put a doggy fence or exercise pen around the Christmas tree. Use a lick bottle if your dog splashes water from his bowl.

Don't forget how far *adequate* exercise will take you towards improving your dog's behavior. Adequate exercise for most young dogs (7 months to 4 years) is more than 20 minutes of full-speed running, daily! If your dog is getting less than that, some of that pent-up energy may find in outlet in "destructive" behaviors.

Finally, here's a table with some quick solutions to many behavior problems that management can help with. Remember that management prevents the problem, but doesn't train the dog to act differently when the prevention measure isn't in place. Management buys you time to do the training!

Problem	Quick Management Solution	Comments
Dog pees or poops on carpet	Keep dog off the carpet, unless you know she is "empty" and safe	Use doors or gate to keep dog in an acceptable bathroom area, or use a crate to confine dog so that going to the bathroom is prohibited. Reward dog for "going" in the right place.
Dog chews on TV	Put loose objects out of the	Provide attractive, "legal"

remote, wallets, shoes, socks, children's toys, the mail, or inappropriate loose objects	dog's reach: on a high shelf, in a cabinet or closet, or in a room closed off by door or baby gate	chew toys, and praise dog for chewing on them.
Dog chews on carpets, baseboards, door frames, electric cords, furniture, or other inappropriate fixtures	Keep dog away from fixtures with doors, gates or fences. Spray objects with "Bitter Apple" or other chew deterrents.	Provide attractive, "legal" chew toys, and praise dog for chewing on them. Make sure that the dog has enough exercise and mental stimulation.
Dog barks at people passing by house when home alone	Prevent dog from detecting the people.	Shut the curtains, move the couch away from the window. Install a more solid fence or plant a hedge along it to reduce dog's view (or hearing) of the street. Keep the dog in crate for short absences from the home.
Dog jumps on people when they enter the door.	Put a leash on the dog, and stand on the middle so that the dog cannot jump up. Praise and treat the dog for not jumping (even if he has no choice!).	Train the dog to sit automatically at the door when greeting people. Give your guests dog treats to give the dog <i>only</i> when he is sitting.
Dog pulls on the leash	Use a front-lead harness (<u>Easy Walk</u>) or head halter (<u>Black Dog</u>).	Train him to walk on a loose leash by rewarding any leash slack and refusing to continue the walk when he pulls.
Dog "attacks" the lawn mower, water hose, vacuum cleaner, or other appliance	Put dog in another part of the house before using the appliance.	Train dog to accept device by pairing low-intensity exposure to the appliance with treats when dog is calm. Slowly (over many sessions) increase the intensity of the exposure and rewarding the dog when he is calm again.
Dog digs up garden or lies in flower	Put a low but sturdy fence around landscaped areas.	If your dog loves to dig, provide a sandbox with

beds		occasional buried treats or toys. The sand will be cleaner than dirt, and the dog can be rewarded for satisfying his digging need where you direct. Make sure dog is cool enough (in summer) and warm enough (in winter), as digging can be a method of heat control.
Dog knocks over trashcans	Put trashcans where the dog can't get them (such as under the sink) or secure their lids so contents can't come out. Buy a trashcan with a snap-on lid, or hold lid down with bungee cords or clamps.	If your dog discovers he can open the cabinet doors, use baby-safe latches. Note that trash-dumping is a self-rewarding behavior every time they find a goodie in there!
Dog gets on furniture	Keep dog out of that room when alone. Turn chair against wall or upend it. Place a cookie sheet, box, or baby gate over chair or bed.	Consider putting a blanket or sheet over the furniture and allowing the dog to enjoy its comfort. The cover is easily removed and cleaned.
Dog runs into the street	Keep the dog on leash or within a well-fenced yard	This can save his life.
Dog chases neighborhood cats, squirrels, deer, etc.	Keep dog within well-fenced yard. Put a lip on the outside of the fence to keep neighbor's cats out.	Not much can be done about squirrels in your own yard, except keeping your dog inside!
Dog raids the cat's litter box to feast on kitty "treasures".	Put the litter box on a higher ledge, like a shelf or on top of the washing machine (though some cats won't use it if it "vibrates"). OR, put the litter box in a room that only the cat can get to, by tying a string from the door handle to the door post so that it only opens to cat width.	You can also get covered cat boxes and ones that have a sensor to automatically clean up after the cat has "visited".
Mulitple dogs in your house fight over mealtimes, doorways, etc.	Feed them in separate areas (within crates, or on tie-downs). Hold one dog back while letting other dog through the doorway.	Train each dog to "wait" at doorways, and release on their own name.

Stacy's Wag'N' Train

GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

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November's Puppy Kinder commences

Thursday November 3rd

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Contact the Club on

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For further details



The spirit of the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games comes to Geelong

Geelong is set to be a major player as Melbourne and Victoria prepares to celebrate the staging of the 18th Commonwealth Games in our State capital. And there'll be plenty of opportunity for locals to be directly involved in the celebrations.

Whether it be exciting lead up activities to get us in the mood or hosting official preliminary basketball matches, Geelong will be a key focus of activity heading into what will be the biggest sporting and cultural event Victoria has ever hosted.

The City, in partnership with the Victorian Government, has developed an extensive program of community based sporting and cultural activities to support official Games event being staged in and around the region. Read on to see how you can share in the spirit as Melbourne, Victoria, and Geelong celebrate the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games (M2006).

Warming Up for the Games - 20 November 2005

- Geelong will join with cities around Victoria in staging official activities and events to get us all 'warmed up' for the Games.
- A state wide day of celebration on 20 November 2005 will see the people of Geelong invited to celebrate and enjoy the fantastic community sporting facilities at Kardinia Park and Skilled Stadium.
- To commemorate the redevelopment of Skilled Stadium and the installation of a new international standard swimming pool at Kardinia, the City will stage a fantastic day of community based sporting and cultural activities in around the park.
- Commencing in the morning and continuing into the afternoon, the Geelong Warming Up for the Games event will involve a range of free activities ranging from walk-a-thons to bike rides, come'-n'-try sporting events, circus and physical theatre workshops - there'll be something for everyone. Stay tuned for more details as the program is fine tuned!

Commonwealth Games Basketball - Sunday 19 March & Tuesday 21 March 2006

- M2006 events will be taking place in Geelong with the Arena playing host to the preliminary basketball rounds.
- The Arena will stage six games over two action-packed days. Australia is one of the teams playing in Geelong so the atmosphere at the Arena will be electric.
- On Sunday 19 March four games will be held over two sessions: 12pm to 4pm and 6pm to 10pm, and on Tuesday 21 March two games will take place between 6pm and 10pm.
- The Arena is one of four regional Victorian venues to stage Commonwealth Games events, and the show court has undergone an extensive upgrade to prepare for the competition.

- Works completed at the venue include the replacement and remodelling of seating, installation of new PR3 Sprung Floor, widening of court to comply with international standards and refurbishment of the level one Gallery.
- These events will provide the Geelong Arena with international media exposure that has the potential to attract future international sporting events to the region.

Queen's Baton Relay - Arrives 5pm Friday 3 March and Departs 7am Saturday 4 March

- Just like the Torch Relay when Sydney hosted the 2000 Olympic Games, Geelong will welcome with open arms the official Queen's Baton Relay on its journey from London to Melbourne next March.
- The Baton, carried by every day Australians and sporting and national identities on its long journey, will wind its way through Geelong, after travelling from the Bellarine Peninsula and Surf Coast, to a community celebration on Waterfront Geelong.
- The City will stage an official Commonwealth Games Baton Relay Community Civic Reception at Eastern Beach Reserve on Friday 3 March 2006.
- It'll be a chance to celebrate the richness of the Geelong community, our links to the Commonwealth, the traditional regional landowners, and our adopted 'Games second nation' of Wales.
- Make sure you keep an eye out for full details of how you can be involved in this landmark free community celebration that throws Geelong in the Commonwealth Games spotlight.

Geelong's Spirit of the Games Festival - Wednesday 15 March to Sunday 26th March 2006

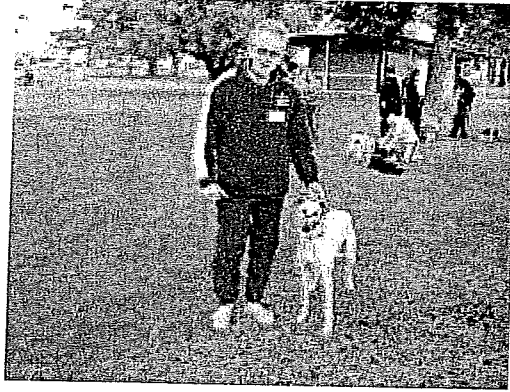
- The Commonwealth Games spotlight will well and truly be shining on Geelong for the two weeks of competition as our city plays host to an official M2006 Live Site.
- A giant super screen will be based at Steampacket Gardens broadcasting Channel Nines live action from the Games to the people of Geelong and our neighbours.
- To ensure the region makes the most of the event, the City has developed a community based festival that will offer a great opportunity to get involved in the action.
- The Geelong, Spirit of the Games Festival will see Steampacket Gardens jam-packed with a program of free live music, theatre, sports, circus and street performance and a Buskers By the Bay Festival staged around the broadcast of official action on the Super Screen.
- For twelve days Waterfront Geelong will become a regional focus of Games action and the official program will be further enhanced with touring performers and events from the official M2006 Cultural Program visiting Steampacket Gardens. Final scheduling and programming details of the Festival are now being developed with the key strategy of ensuring maximum community involvement and enjoyment.

To stay in touch with what's happening with Melbourne 2006 and Geelong's official Games celebrations, check out www.melbourne2006.com.au and www.geelongaustralia.com.au

GODC ANNUAL DOG WALK

22nd August 2005

Thank you to all Members who participated in the dog walk to raise funds for Save the Dingoes. We raised approx \$922.00 this was an excellent effort. Well Done. The Club will arrange for Tehree Gordon to attend the Club in the near future.



PET THERAPY

In the year 2000 a Member of our Club, learned about a program called "Visiting Pets as Therapy" that had been running extensively in and around Melbourne for over a decade.

The program was administered overall by Guide Dog Association of Victoria. The latter ensuring the right protocols were adhered to in the many facilities, guideline setting for tests, Guide Dog Instructors to assess the dogs presented and covering the volunteers under their workcover arrangements.

Kathy Sproat, approached Guide Dog personnel and they decided to establish teams down here in Geelong.

The objective of the program was to provide, on a regular basis, a visiting Pets (dog) Program of appropriately obedience-trained and assessed dogs and their screened handlers at facilities such as hospitals, rehabilitation hospitals and nursing homes with an intent to improve the quality of life for patients.

On May 24, 2000 the first preliminary testing was conducted at our Club, followed by a further assessment on May 30 when Peter McNabb, Guide Dog Instructor, further assessed the dogs. Finally on September 1, we became fully operational. All venues had been predetermined by the Guide Dog administration and were mostly under the umbrella of Barwon Health with the exception of one private nursing home in Grovedale.

May 2004 unfortunately saw the demise of the program under the care of the Guide Dog Association and it was taken over by the Lort Smith Animal Hospital who saw the value of such work as being very beneficial to the welfare of patients.

It does not matter if a team Member spends five seconds, five minutes or 30 minutes with a patient, as long as it is beneficial for the patient. It is very rewarding when patients that have lost the power of speech reach out to touch your dog and smile. For others just the joy of looking satisfies them, and others are in for a chat. The dogs are encouraged to interact with patients, staff and visitors as required. Those Members who have attended homes over the years build up a rapport with longer term patients and it is sad when they pass on, but you know that you helped to bring a little joy into their lives whilst they were there.

Dogs must be over 12 months of age and have basic manners. All breeds are acceptable as the smaller ones can sit in laps and the larger ones reach those in wheelchairs easily. Once accepted on the program the dogs must be bathed within 24 hours prior to a visit, and to have their nails clipped and ears cleaned. So if you feel you have a dog that would be suitable and you have 1-2 hours time per month to visit, please contact the writer to arrange for a testing date.



Elaine Longshaw

GENERAL MEETING

2nd August 2005

Meeting opened: 8pm

Apologies P.Hogben, K.Devlin, L.Bruton, L.Kelleher, J.Broadbent
Acc: D.Dickeson

Seconded: J.Wong

Carried

Minutes from the previous General Meeting as distributed in the Newsletter, taken as read
Acc: S.Malady

Seconded: P.Convery

Carried

Business arising from the Minutes

1. Insurance: T. Button emailed ADTCV that Geelong Obedience Dog Club remain in Status Quo, as we have not have had any complaints from non-members regarding insurance costs.

Correspondence Out: Dr Peter Bond, ADTCV via Email.

Correspondence In: Mariners Lookout, VicDog Article via email, Cheryl Gibson, Christine Bromley, COGG. VCA, W.Ganly via Email, A. Shackleton per COGG. VCA rep from Obedience Trials (July), Gelpad Space vests.

Business arising from Correspondence

1. A. Shackleton Re: Doggy Poo Bags. V.Douglas to contact Barwon Water about supplying Club.
2. Mariners Lookout. To be referred to Raffle Steward.

Treasurer's Report

E Gallagher read written report and asked that all accounts be passed for payment
Acc: P. Gallagher

Seconded: E.Longshaw

Carried

Other Reports

Grounds Manager. V. Douglas read written report. Report attached to minutes book.

Publicity Officer S.Malady. read written report. Report attached to minutes book.

Training Supervisor D.Dickenson read written report. Report attached to minutes book.

Trial Secretary Report as per newsletter.

General Business

1. Deferred from correspondence in.
W. Ganly and P. Baker raised discussion regarding smoking on the verandah area. Several points of view were put forward. Which resulted in P. Baker moving the following motion. " that smokers be moved from the main verandah area (near clubroom entrance) to the entrance near the bar door"
Seconded: W. Ganly
Motion Lost by majority.
2. P. Convery proposed a discussion on the future of Obedience and Agility Trials at the Club. After some discussion the following motion was moved by P Convery 'that the following Trials be adopted commencing in 2006 - July's Obedience Trials change to 4 Trials - 2 Saturday and 2 Sunday. Mays Agility Trials change to 4 Trials - 2 Saturday and 2 Sunday if the Sunday becomes available. September's Obedience Trials are cancelled'.

GENERAL MEETING

Seconded: J Convery

2nd August 2005

Carried by majority

3. D.Dickeson moved " that due to lack of instructors, that class numbers be restricted to 12 members per class One Intake each month"

Seconded: C.Humphreys

Motion Carried

4. Photo Gallery. Suggestions were needed to place CD titled dogs on a new area of the club as the North walls were full. Members agreed to have the new additions placed on the East wall in the bar area.
5. F. Lehrman suggested removing tree stumps on grounds and replacing with young trees. It was suggested the club wait until the new Agility rules were available as there could be changes to ring plans.
6. Gelpad Space Vests. After discussion it was decided that the Gelpad information be made available to members. Purchasing of the vests be made by members.
7. T. Button reported that the Border Collie Club of Vic, were interested in using the club grounds for a members competition in 2006. T.Button to inform BCCV that request needs to be in writing. There were no objections to request.

As there was no further business

Meeting closed: 9:10pm