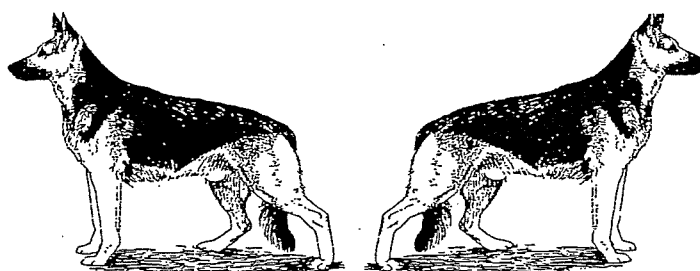
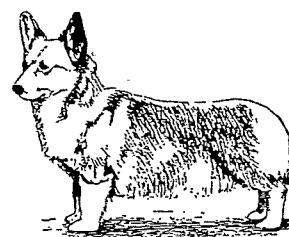
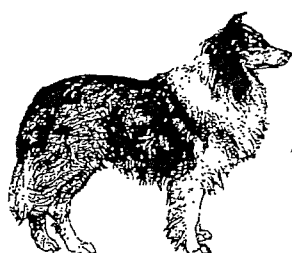
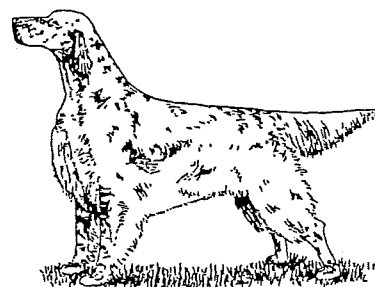
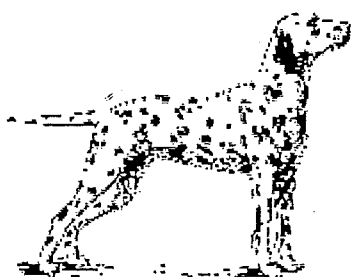
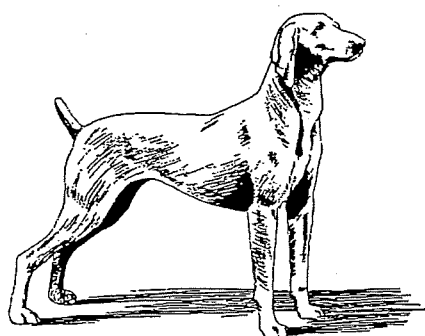


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Please remember the closing date for all Newsletter items is the 15th of each month

Club website – www.godc.org.au



CLUB CALENDAR

March

Sunday	3 March	Normal Training. Newsletter Available
Sunday	10 March	LABOUR DAY WEEKEND. NO TRAINING
Friday	15 March	Newsletter closes for articles, reports, etc
Sunday	17 March	Normal training
Monday	18 March	Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm.
Sunday	24 March	Normal training.
Sunday	31 March	Easter Weekend – NO TRAINING

April

Tuesday	2 April	General Meeting – 8.00 pm unless otherwise advised.
Sunday	7 April	Normal training
Saturday	13 April	3 x RALLY TRIALS
Sunday	14 April	Normal training
Monday	15 April	Newsletter closes for articles, reports etc
Monday	15 April	Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm
Sunday	21 April	Normal training
Sunday	28 April	Fun Day including presentations. Also Induction for New Members for Beginners Class and Fully Vaccinated Puppies under 6 months

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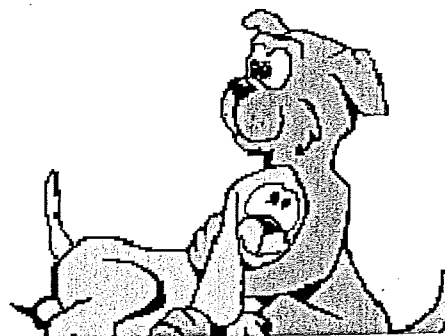
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Flyball

Sally Hunt



REPORTS REPORTS REPORTS REPORTS

It is with regret that the Committee recently accepted Colin Humphrey's resignation as President of GODC. We would all like to pass on our thanks for the work Colin has done in this position this year.

Thank You

The Club would like to thank Joanne Dunoon from Newcomb Sand and Soil on the Bellarine Highway for the kind donation of a Trolley to help the Agility Members move their equipment.

Thank You also to Jim Ball for donating a Gazebo to the Club.



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Library Update: Death of Dogs
About Losing Your Dog.

www.pet-loss.net/

This is perhaps one of the most sensitive and well written sites I have come across. As it is freely accessible to the public you can print it to help a friend who has lost a dog. Nearly all of us at Geelong Obedience Dog Club have gone through this heart wrenching experience. We are here to support you because we understand.

A Dog's Prayer

When all the laughing & romping
is done.

When sunlight
Is cold grey pain

Put aside your anguish.

Free me
from the misery
that chains
my spirit.

I believe
even if you do not.

There is a place
beyond the sky and the stars

Where a dog
might run free
and bark on the wind.



Robyn Youl.

GEELONG OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB LIBRARY

If you are looking for dog information, DVD's or books call into the Library and see Robyn our Librarian. She is very willing to help you and is there most Sunday mornings.

TRIAL RESULTS

OTEC/ FOOs Rally Trial at the Pet & Animal Expo 2nd Feb:

Trial 1:

P & J Convery	Ch Goorambat The Manor CDX NRA RE AD JD SD GD SPD (Mason)	Advanced B	Pass	2 nd Place
		Excellent B	Pass	2 nd Place
	Goorambat Excalibur CD RE (Rookie)	Advanced B	Pass	
		Excellent B	Pass	

Trial 2:

R Kearney	Lucyollie Reubinallblack (Reuben)	Advanced A	Pass	75points
P & J Convery	Ch Goorambat The Manor CDX NRA RE AD JD SD GD SPD (Mason)	Advanced B	Pass	2 nd Place
		Excellent B	Pass	1 st Place
	Goorambat Excalibur CD RE (Rookie)	Advanced B	Pass	
		Excellent B	Pass	

Congratulations to all the Geelong Obedience Dog Club Members who had some amazing results at the Pet & Animal Expo and thank you to those who worked to make the Expo so successful. The Saturday was an incredible day with a huge public attendance and lots of stalls for people to see.
Pam Convery – Trial Secretary

RALLY - OBEDIENCE

Are you are interested in trying Rally-obedience

Were you told there was a waiting list for the next Block

W E L L

Due to unforeseen circumstances I have a number of places available for

THE 3rd SESSION

Sunday mornings

11.30 - 12.15

YOU CAN

TALK

ALL YOU WANT

TO YOUR DOG

IN

RALLY OBEDIENCE

Wendy Ganly - Instructor

CANINE COUGH (KENNEL COUGH)

by Dr Rod Brooks

Commonwealth Serum Laboratories

Kennel Cough is a highly contagious respiratory disease of dogs. Although rarely life threatening it causes coughing bouts which can persist for a number of weeks, despite treatment, creating significant discomfort for both the dog and its owner. Massive outbreaks can occur in kennels with the vast majority of dogs affected. It is far better to prevent kennel cough rather than try and control the signs of infection once they have occurred.

Affected dogs frequently have been resident in boarding kennels or training complex, or have been in close contact with other dogs at shows, race tracks, obedience classes or similar assembly, within the previous 5 to 10 days.

CAUSE

Kennel Cough can be caused by a number of different viruses and bacteria although *Bordetella bronchiseptica*, Canine parainfluenza virus and canine adenovirus type 2 have been most frequently isolated from dogs with kennel cough.

Infection with one of the viruses usually clears up within a week or two, whereas infection with *Bordetella* may persist for several weeks. If a dog is infected with both *Bordetella* and a virus a more severe form of the disease is often seen and coughing may subside during treatment only to return when treatment is finished.

Bordetella can be carried for months by dogs that are not showing any signs of infection. These dogs act as a source of infection for susceptible dogs coming into contact with them.

SIGNS

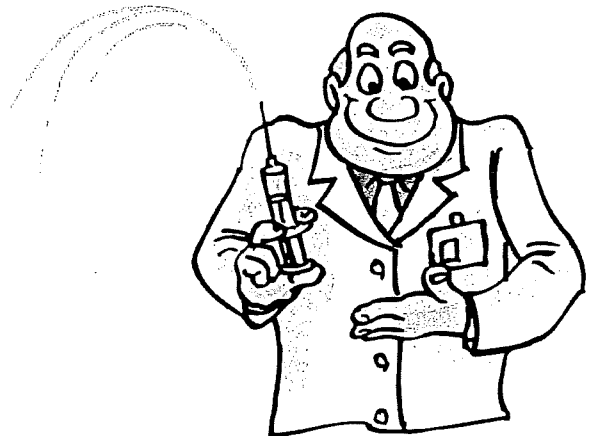
The classical sign of kennel cough is a spontaneous, harsh cough that often finishes with gagging. The coughing is usually made worse by exercise, excitement or pressure on the throat region. Severely affected dogs may have a fever, be depressed, not eat and can develop broncho-pneumonia. Clinical signs can persist for several weeks despite treatment.

TREATMENT

Your veterinarian can provide the best treatment. This may include antibiotics and symptomatic therapy such as cough medicine. Treatment will not only assist in controlling kennel cough in the affected individual but it will also reduce the risk of spread to other susceptible dogs.

CONTROL

For optimal control of kennel cough, puppies should be vaccinated against all of the important viruses and bacteria that can cause kennel cough. Initially dogs and puppies require two injections four weeks apart. Booster doses should be given annually and before exposure to possible sources of infection such as shows, boarding kennels or obedience classes. Your veterinarian can advise you on the best vaccination programme for your particular circumstances.



Canine Greeting Behaviour is a Mystery to Many Owners

It is amazing how many people just do not know very much about how dogs think. We learn about exotic animals but very few bother to learn much about the animal that we all have close intimate contact with.

CANINE MANNERS FOR HAPPY OWNERSHIP

Keep doorways clear. Don't stand and talk with your dog in a doorway obstructing other people. Dogs see doorways as high priority areas and may be aggressive in this circumstance. After all we keep them to be alarm systems.

Ask for a sit from your dog before allowing it to move towards other dogs or people; and then only if the dog or person wants to meet your dog or you. Sit means Please! If you indicate that you are the leader in this circumstance it is highly likely that the dog will look to you for clues to its behaviour.

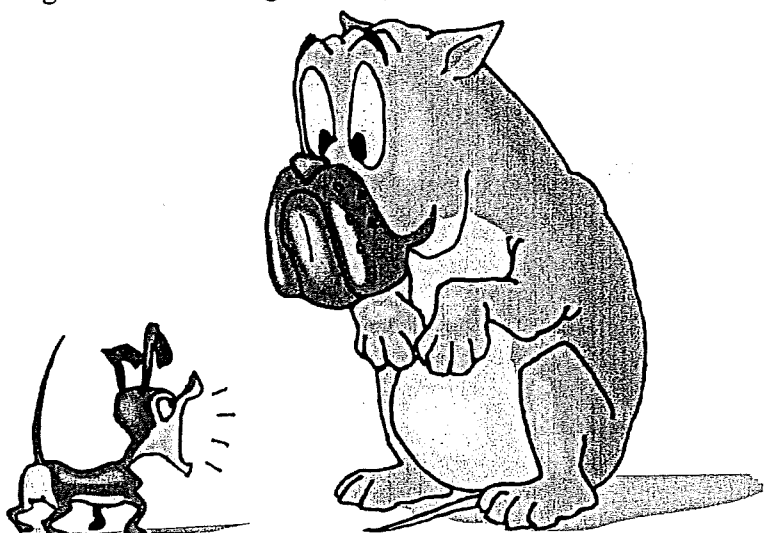
Give other dogs enough space to feel comfortable. Dogs have space requirements, they do not like other dogs in their faces any more than we like a person that stands close to talk to us.

Move to block your dog's vision if it fixes its gaze on another dog. This means move in front of the dog to block it, then turn it away. A fixed gaze is intimidating to other dogs and may lead to an aggressive response from the other dog.

Keep your mind on your dog when out and about. If you want to chat, put the dog away or in a drop position beside you.

Do not leave your dog tied up unless it is under your gaze. Dogs can be very defensive when tied up.

Never allow your dog to rush up to another dog. This is rude behaviour to a dog and your dog may be forcefully evicted.



If another dog enters your dogs space and your dog growls or snaps; turn away and work the dog in obedience exercises such as sit and drop. Do not punish the dog in the presence of another dog. If you do so your dog's behaviour in this instance will escalate.

If we all stick to these polite behaviours the dog and you will enjoy outings and so will the rest of the public.

ALTERNATIVE BEHAVIOURS

Below are some long term solutions to problem behaviours

To Stop	Train instead
Jumping on people to greet them	Reward a "Sit" or "Drop". Don't allow puppy to jump up at all, he/she doesn't know the difference between your good clothes and gardening clothes
Pulling on the leash	Reward walking on a loose lead. Train the "stop and go" method. Train and reward for watching you
Barking at the doorbell or postman	Praise for doing a good job, then train "Enough" when you take charge. Reward for being quiet
Running through the doorway	Train and reward "Wait"
Running away	Train and <u>always</u> reward "Come". Coming to you should always be positive. Don't always call puppy to end their fun. Call in sometimes and release again
Barking, whining, nudging, scratching, jumping, etc to get your attention	Train an alternative behaviour - "Sit", "Drop". Only give attention for those behaviours
Begging at the table	Station training. Tell puppy to go to a mat or area away from the table while you eat. Reward that behaviour. Food from the table should go into the puppy's bowl, not from the hand from the table
Making eye contact with other dogs	Teach "Pay attention". Turn away and ask for a "Sit" so puppy's attention is on you.

Geelong Obedience Dog Club

Proudly Presents 'Kris Kotsopoulos'

MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA 18th and 19th May 2013 - OBEDIENCE IN DRIVE

"The Dynamics of a Focused and Harmonious Obedience Performance"



Kris Kotsopoulos has been involved in Breeding and Training Dogs since 1981. He has worked with first-time dog owners to the most demanding Law Enforcement Canines and World Championship Competitors. Kris and his wife Tonia are breeders of Dobermanns and German Shepherds under the kennel name "Von Forell". His dogs and training philosophies have been inherited into many training systems by competitors and Law Enforcement Agencies Worldwide.

Kris's "Obedience in Drive" Workshop is designed to give you a clear directive of how dogs learn, what drives them, how to improve learning due to purposeful directives to shape behaviour for an Dynamic, Focused and Harmonious obedience performance. **This is an opportunity to learn the latest cutting edge training systems to deliver a spirited animals on cue.**

Having devoted the last 32 years of his life to the research, development and education of the working dog, paired with extensive work in the area of animal welfare, Kris has now expanded his professional horizons by sharing his knowledge with the community as a consultant for a range of government agencies, breed clubs and animal welfare groups.

Over the past three decades, Kris has travelled the globe in order to learn from the world's best International trainers, breeders and animal behaviourists. As a result of his enthusiasm and dedication for greater knowledge, Kris has acquired an in-depth understanding of raising, developing and training dogs for a variety of purposes. Through the skills and successes he has achieved, Kris has gained a sound understanding of what motivates animals to behave the way they do, and just as importantly, how to apply this knowledge to achieve specialised goals. Kris currently shares this knowledge by operating both National and International training programs, seminars and workshops, each individually tailored to meet the needs of the general community, other trainers and government agencies globally.

Kris has implemented a variety of learning systems ranging from basic family obedience, to the most demanding competition, police, prison and professional security animals. He is truly committed to breaking down barriers that exist for dogs and dog welfare in our community and believes that consultation with Breed Clubs, Animal Management Officers and Animal welfare groups will help extend this commitment of learning outcomes and his ultimate goal.

"Purposeful, meaningful relationships between handlers and their dogs to create Extraordinary Dogs and Extraordinary Handlers."

Kris's commitment to the dog world is further highlighted through his three companies:

Von Forell Kennels

An international provider of working dogs Dobermann & German Shepherds, Training Equipment, Premium Dry Dog Food and cutting edge training technologies. The company's primary focus is the breeding of highly driven animals that are genetically orientated to be working service dogs and excellent family companions.

www.vonforell.com

Detector Dogs Australia

A specialised consulting service that focuses on providing explosive and narcotic detection dogs specifically trained to meet the individual needs of government, business, private enterprises and the education sector. Detector Dogs Australia has been appointed to provide Explosive Detection services for the Port of Melbourne since 2008. www.detectordogs.com.au

K9 Security Service

A specialised security and consulting service that focuses on providing security dogs trained to meet the specific needs of government, business, private enterprise and educational sector assets. www.k9security.com.au

How To Achieve Precision Tracking With Your Dog

Kris is the author of this internationally acclaimed manual for teaching dogs the specialised skills of Competitive Tracking, Police Canine Tracking and Search and Rescue. www.precisiontrackingdogs.com

Kris is also a Co-founder of the **National Dogs Trainers Federation** - a representative and educational organisation for the dog training industry, which has now become the national representative body in Australia for dog trainers from all fields. The NDTF offers Australia's only Government accredited, nationally recognised, dog trainer certification course, and by using Kris's strong links and networks with other animal organisations, both nationally and internationally, Kris is able to assist with the development of formal policies, contribute to ongoing research in the area of canine training and behaviour, and further build on the necessary educational programs required to assert positive influence and bring about permanent change.

Some of the topics covered in this seminar:

Melbourne Australia 18th & 19th of May 2013.

In this 2 day intensive Obedience Performance Dog Training Seminar Kris will coach and work with you personally - 10 dogs from puppies to adult will be participating.

- Appropriate relationship between a dog and his handler
- Criteria of the Leader
- Positive Reinforcement and how it relates to drive
- Clicker Training - do's and don't
- Nurturing and development of your puppy 0 - 7 weeks - information for the breeder
- Puppy Development for success from Sevens Weeks to 12 months
- The Necessary Drives and Their Utilization and Development for Obedience
- Focus, Recall, Stand, sit, down, return to heel - all before any heeling is ever done and why
- The Proper association of a Competition Dog to His Training Field
- The Basic Components that Form All the Exercises In Obedience
- Strengthening the Components, the Locking of Positions
- Introduction of Negative Reinforcement by Leash Direction
- Developing Each Exercise by Linking the Basic Components - Back Chaining

- Balance of Expression, Speed, Attention, & Precision
- Balancing Motivation & Concentration
- Obedience - Basics to a High Level of Control
- Problem Solving in Training
- Importance of Preparation, Organization, Structure, & Discipline in Training
- The Development of a Daily Schedule to Weekly Plan to Monthly Tactic, To Yearly Strategy and more!!!
- Questions and answers all weekend and ongoing for all seminar attendees.

COURSE DETAILS

WHEN: 18th and 19th May 2013

START: 9am to 5pm Sat & Sun

WHERE: Geelong Obedience Club. Breakwater Road Breakwater.

WHAT TO BRING: Notebook, pen, seasonal training clothes, dogs & an open mind.

COST \$440 per person - "Previous Von Forell Participants 15% Discount " \$370

Additional: This event is fully catered for - Please advise of any special dietary requirements.
Lodging available locally.

Expressions of interest, bookings or questions to be made by contacting Tina Button via email at Tina monlaird_kennels@hotmail.com or Kris info@vonforell.com

Kris Kotsopoulos phone 0418 348 804 or Tina Button phone 0414 363 556

Payment options will be sent by reply email on confirmation of booking info@vonforell.com

Looking forward to meeting you all for this exciting event

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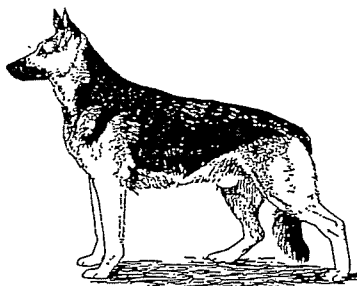
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1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Title: ☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms ☐ Other:

Company Name:

Given name:

Surname name:

Other names:

Occupation:

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

2. CONTACT DETAILS

Email Address:

Home telephone number:

Work telephone number:

Email Type: ☐ Home ☐ Work

Mobile telephone number:

Fax:

Permanent home address:

Mailing address:

If your Mailing Address is the same as your Permanent home address
please leave blank.

Suburb/town:

Suburb/town:

State:

Post Code:

State:

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3. EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Name:

Relationship:

Home telephone:

Work/mobile telephone number:

4. WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE CANINE INDUSTRY TO DATE

5. WHAT SPECIFIC AREAS DID YOU HOPE TO IMPROVE YOUR KNOWLEDGE ON ?

Behaviour ☐

Obedience ☐

Schutzhund ☐

Tracking ☐

Protection ☐

Law Enforcement ☐

Other (please specify)

Course Location: Geelong Obedience Club. Breakwater Road Breakwater. 18th 19th May 2013

6. INCIDENTALS

Will you be bringing a canine to this event?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, will you require boarding for this canine?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
If Yes, does your canine have current vaccination details?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
If Yes, have you arranged boarding with Kennels?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Would you be interested in attending further seminars	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Would you be interested in purchasing;	<input type="checkbox"/> Videos <input type="checkbox"/> Books <input type="checkbox"/> Products
Please advise if you have any special dietary requirements	

8. BOOKING DETAILS & PAYMENT INFORMATION

Event price	\$440 - \$370 Previous VF Attendees
Catering <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	\$0
Total (filled in by applicant)	\$
Bank	National Australia Bank
Account name	Von Forell Pty Ltd
BSB	083 170
Account	5399 36937

Inside the description section for online banking please type in **your name** so we can successfully pair it with your booking form and confirm payment.

In the event of a refund being required prior to the seminar, we will refund the full amount, minus 10% administrations fee after we receive your refund application in writing.

9. MEDIA WAIVER AGREEMENT

I, (print name) _____, authorise Von Forell Pty Ltd (VF) and its representatives, the right to use my physical likeness and/or voice and/or visual imagery (photographs, moving footage, or other visual and/or audio media), interviews or other content provided to Von Forell, in perpetuity and throughout the world. This material will be distributed at the discretion of VF for use in **advertising, publicity or educational activities**.

I represent that the consent of no other person, firm, corporation, or organization is required to enable VF to use my or my canines, likeness and/or voice and/or imagery as described herein, and that such use will not violate the rights of any third parties.

I hereby certify and represent that I have read the foregoing and fully understand the meaning and effect thereof, and intend to be legally bound by this release. I am over 18 years of age and competent to contract in my own name, or on behalf of my canine.

I hereby waive any claims I may have, and release Von Forell Pty Ltd and its representatives from liability of claims arising out of such activities.

Name (Print):

Signature (Print):

Date: / /

10. WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND MANAGEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS

I understand that the attendance of a dog training program is not without risk to myself, member of my family or guests who may attend, or my dog; because some of the dogs to which I will be exposed, as well as my own dog, may be difficult to control and may be the cause of injury even when handled with the greatest amount of care.

In consideration of, and as inducement to the acceptance of my seminar registration application, I hereby waive and release **Von Forell Pty Ltd, Detector Dogs Aust, K9 Security Service** and their employees, officers, members and agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer; including specifically, but without limitation, any injury or damage resulting from the action of my dog; and I expressly assume the risk of such damage, or injury while attending any training session, or any other function of **Von Forell Pty Ltd, Detector Dogs Aust, K9 Security Service**, or while on the training ground or the surrounding area there too.

(My dog in the above statements means any dog in my custody upon approaching the training grounds or adjacent area).

Name (Print):

Signature (Print):

Date:

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