

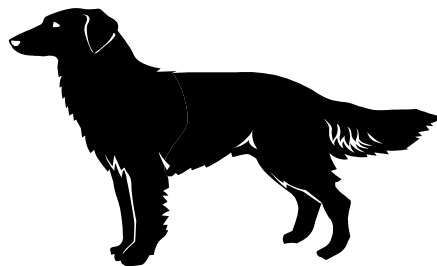


Patron: Mrs Betty Cabena

July 2004

NEWSLETTER

EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB



WELCOME AND HAPPY TRAINING EVERYONE!

YOUR COMMITTEE

Office Bearers

President	Brian Arter	9874 1432
Vice President	Graeme Carter	9887 2564
Secretary	Andrea Sciberras	9877 1528
Treasurer	Russell Gamble	9877 2135

General Committee

Carlene Wilson, Janelle Burns, Yvonne Kitch, Michael McNeil.

INTRODUCTION

Our Club was formed in 1969 to cater for those owners of purebred dogs who were interested in trailing their dogs to Obedience Trial standard and has been very successful in this regard. On being granted affiliation with the Victorian Canine Association in 1979, all breeds whether registered or not have been accepted.

CLUB RULES

- All dogs should be kept on leash at all times, excepted when given permission to work off leash in class.
- Handlers wishing to leave their dogs tied up on the Club grounds should only do so if their dogs are safe with people especially children. No dog may be tied up where it can reach another dog.
- Dogs in season should not come down to training for four weeks. This does not mean you should stop the training of your dog.
- Dogs must be immunised against distemper and canine hepatitis before coming to classes. This should also be renewed yearly.
- A dog suffering from any illness or skin problems should not be brought to classes until a Vet has pronounced the condition not contagious.
- Handler must remove their dogs excreta from the training area – implements are provided.
- Physical punishment of dogs is not permitted in training classes.
- Instructors have authority over their classes and may ask a member to take their dog out of class if it is disruptive.
- Instructors are not permitted to handle and train a member's dog in class.
- While at the grounds before and after classes please control your dogs.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

July 2004

Hello Members

Here we are halfway through the year the weather on Sundays has been fine, so our training has not been interrupted. Many thanks to your Instructors for being on deck every Sunday and teaching you how to train your dogs. A big welcome to all our new members and the members that have renewed again. Our Tracking trial held at Coldstream on June 26th - 27th 2004 went off very well even though the pass rate was below par. Thanks to all the committee and members who came and helped on the weekend To all members if you are having trouble with your dog or training, please do not hesitate to seek extra help from your instructor, or myself. Stay after training and have a cuppa and a chat.

Congratulations to Yvonne Kitch and "Coco" for gaining their TRACKING DOG TITLE

Happy Training

Brian Arter

SECRETARYS REPORT

1 also would like to congratulate our President Brian Arter and his dog Dolly for gaining their TRACKING DOG TITLE as well, and also passing test 3 towards the next Level of Dolly's tracking title

Thanks to Graeme Carter, Russell Gamble, Erina Wotherspoon, Yvonne Kitch Carlene, Wilson, John Kitch, Brian Arter, who came along and laid tracks also stewarded for the competitors, put up tents and cooked the BBQ was also nice to see Betty Cabena on the Sunday at the trial.

We also had quite a bit of help from our competitors on each day, many thanks to them. While some of us were at the tracking trial on Sunday we had a small crew down at training 1 would like to thank these people as well, without these people we could not run these event

Andrea Sciberras

NEW MEMBERS

David Jamie	Bandit	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
Shan Garbutt	Bella	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
Peter Hall	Ella	Staffordshire Bull Terrier
Carol Loyd & Jo Ferry	Stella	Spoodle
Alison & Ryan Buszcko	Casper	Golden Retriever
Debbie Willenberg	Josie	Border Collie
Viv & Jenny Elliston	Pepper	Golden Retriever
Marg, Neil, Elliot Kerby	Woody	Border Collie
Beverley Davidson	Splash	Curley Coated Retriever
Bill Schink	Woggy	Poodle
Madison Duncan	?	Spoodle
Michael & Gail Schwartz	Lady	Dobermann
Christina Gavier	Nelle	Labrador Retriever
Jenny Coussins	Harrison	Golden Retriever

Andrea & Simon Slow	Brod	Maltese X
Samantha Durham & Darren Whattan	Bailey	Poodle
Gillian Joseph	Tessa	Labrador Retriever
Andre'Seimmans	Scrap	Cocker Spaniel
Bridgit Lane	Noosh	Border Collie

RENEWALS WELCOME BACK

Pauline Nolan	Nelson	Labrador Retriever
Kim Buchanan	Code	West Highlander
Frank Rogan	Jess	Jack Russell Terrier
Mick Readon	Jack	German Shepherd X
Michael Elsegood	Aisha	Standard Schnauzer

OBEDIENCE TRIAL DATES 2004

Club	Date
Wangaratta K & 0 Club	Sat 21 at Jul
Wangaratta K & 0 Club	Sun 22nd Jul
Western Port Obedience Dog Club	Sat 28th Jul
Moorabbin & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 29th Jul
Sunbury & District Obedience Dog Club	Sat 4th Sep
Northern Obedience Dog Club	Sun 12th Sep
Shepparton & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 26th Sep
Warringal Obedience Dog Club	Sun 3ed Oct
German Shepherd Dog Club - indoors	Sat 9th Oct
Knox Obedience Dog Club	Sun 10th Oct
Altona Civic Obedience Dog Club	Sun 17th Oct
Werribee Obedience Dog Club	Sat 23rd Oct
Gisborne & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 24th Oct
Eastern Suburbs Obedience Dog Club	Sun 31 at Oct
Bairnsdale Dog Obedience Club	Sat 6th Nov
Geelong Obedience Dog Club	Sat 6th Nov
Gippsland Obedience Dog Club	Sun 7th Nov
Southern Obedience Dog Training Club	Sat 13th Nov
Ballarat Dog Obedience Club	Sun 14th Nov
Portland Obedience Dog Club	Sat 20th Nov
Portland Obedience Dog Club	Sun 21st Nov
Victorian Obedience Dog Club	Sun 5th Dec
Croydon & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 12th Dec

EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB 2004 CALENDAR

JANUARY	18th	Committee Meeting
FEBRUARY	1st	Training Starts
FEBRUARY	22nd	Obedience Trial

MARCH	14th	Committee Meeting
MARCH	28th	Fun day
JUNE	6th	Committee Meeting
JUNE	26th	Tracking Trial
JUNE	27th	Tracking Trial
JULY	18th	Committee Meeting
SEPTEMBER	12th	Fun day
SEPTEMBER	19th	Committee Meeting
OCTOBER	31st	Obedience Trial
NOVEMBER	14th	Committee Meeting
DECEMBER	10th	Annual General Meeting
DECEMBER	12th	Last Day of Training, Fun Day

FOR UPDATES TO THIS CALENDAR PLEASE CONSULT YOUR NEWSLETTERS

All articles etc, for Newsletter to be given to Russell Gamble or Andrea Sciberras

Training Tips

Always be consistent with your training and commands, never repeat sit, sit, sit tell the dog once and if your dog does not do it, then show the dog what you want him/her to do, the same with the stands and drops. Heel off on your left foot, and leave your dog for the stays on your right foot. Hand signals are not necessary in the early stages of your training, it is a little hard trying to put the dog into the right position as well as doing the hand signals.

Please ask the instructor if you need a little extra help making your dog do the exercises. Remember to do some training during the week not just on Sundays, five minutes a day will be great. Best times are in the morning and last thing at night just before your dog goes to bed, so he/she will remember what their have learnt.

Training your dog requires large amounts of Patience and Persistence.

Hot Spots

Dogs susceptible to these they are a #@*?= nuisance. A hot spot is a moist patch of dermatitis, which often occurs rapidly & is usually highly itchy. The more dogs scratch or chew at them in an attempt to provide some sort of relief the more they itch & the cycle goes on & on the lesion gets bigger. They can seem to come from nowhere in no time at all. They often occur commonly in long coated dogs. Golden Retrievers and Rottweilers seem to be more at risk than other breeds. The cause is usually allergy, fleabites or insect bites of some description although some dogs seem to have none of the above and it appears the heat & humidity are what starts them off. The secret with hot spots is to treat them early, before they get a chance to spread. Creams are often all that is needed to treat early smaller hot spots but as they progress oral cortisone & antibiotic therapy are often necessary.

To all Dog Owners

Please don't forget to carry something to pick up the poo when, walking your: dog. This is required by law. You are responsible for what your dog leaves behind and you and finds can be hefty if you are caught not cleaning up the mess.

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Vaccinations

Don't forget to have your vaccinated when the time comes around, to safe guard your dog while out and about, it is one of the requirement of the dog school so as soon as you have re vaccinated your dog please show it to your instructor.

Do The Right Thing

Simpson Park and Somers Trail are only two of many designated "OFF LEASH" areas where your dog may run free.

Out of consideration for other park users, all dog owners should ensure they carry a plastic bag or some such container with which they can collect their droppings and dispose of in the bins provided, or carry home and dispose of in the way they keep their own back yard clean.

This year, Council officers WILL fine dog owners who do not carry means of collecting their dog's waste.

You clean up your own back yard, then why not treat public property with the same care?