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Congratulations to CDODC Member Ian Woollard and his German Shepherd, Nyssah who won the title of State Obedience Champion 2018  
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NEWSLETTER OF CROYDON AND DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB





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Hi everybody,

Our membership is ever increasing and due to this some classes may be a little larger than desired. We take the utmost care when allocating classes but sometimes rather than require you to have a break of several weeks between levels we may need to create a class a bit larger than we would like. We have been working hard to remedy class sizes by cutting back on enrolments. This means, you, our current handlers are able to train your dogs in a comfortable and pleasant environment.

We have just completed the training course for our new instructors and this will hopefully ease our enrolment problems to some extent; however, as much as we add a few instructors to the fold, someone leaves, or requires an extended break. Life happens! As you know, CDODC is 100% volunteer run organisation, with many of our volunteers giving up numerous hours each week to keep the club running smoothly. It's not just the instructors, although without them, none of us would be here, they are the backbone of the club, but our committee also does a wonderful job in ensuring the smooth running of necessary administration activities.

I would like to welcome our new instructors Kat, Vicki, Cheryl, Carol, Dean, Nirvana, Monique and; Helen (who isn't actually 'new' but returning to us after a hiatus). These wonderful members (along with the Training Panel) have given up their Sunday afternoons learning the ins and outs of instructing people to train their dogs; learning about dog behaviour, as well as undertaking practical experience on the ground under the watchful eyes of a mentor. If you feel you would like to become an instructor with us, please leave your name at the office and we will contact you when our next training session is run. This is usually only once a year.

You will see dogs at club wearing yellow bandanas while on the ground training. The yellow bandana is not necessarily an indication that the dog is aggressive but rather that this dog more than perhaps another needs space. Just as not all of us enjoy close contact or trust everybody, neither do all dogs. Dogs may require extra space due to shyness, anxiety or may be over exuberant, maybe the dog is recovering from injury. Please respect those dogs who wear the yellow bandana and ask the handler prior to approaching that dog. Many owners feel their dogs are not able to be socialised due to handlers avoiding the dogs rather than simply asking if it's okay to quietly approaching in a controlled manner. If you feel your dog would benefit from wearing a yellow bandana, please see our shop volunteers to purchase one.

Have you ever thought about how your dog learns various behaviours? Dogs learn due to the very simple theory, of Operant Conditioning, if something good happens immediately after a behaviour, that behaviour will likely increase. If nothing happens after a behaviour or something bad happens, that behaviour will decrease. This simple process allows us to shape our dogs' behaviour quite easily if we are watching and in tune with our dogs. A boisterous dog that is sitting quietly is exhibiting a great behaviour for that dog, rewarding that behaviour will increase it, whereas waiting until the dog is unruly and correcting it is really quite counter-productive.

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## Basic Obedience Passes

### ***CONGRATULATIONS to the following club members who have recently passed the Basic Obedience Test.***

If you have ordered your certificate and not received it please call into the office on any Sunday between 10.30 – 11.00 am to collect it.

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### **Chiefly Chatter** **cont. from page 2**

Anyone with young children knows that many children will seek attention whether good or bad and consider it better than no attention at all. Dogs are very much the same. They crave our feedback, and often any is better than none at all, but if we make sure that feedback concentrates on the great things our dog does we will have awesome dogs.

CDODC is a positive reinforcement training establishment. We have zero tolerance for aversive methods when training on a Sunday morning. Anyone who is seen striking a dog while at club may have their club membership suspended or cancelled.

**Enjoy your dogs,  
Barb**



**Members are responsible for the behaviour of their children at all times.**

**Children must NOT approach a dog without the owner's permission.**

# Paws Love Me Cities



*Reprinted from Royal Auto Mag Aug 2018*

**Furry friends have always been part of the family. Now there are moves a foot (or paw) to modify our cities for them. Are we going mutts?**

*Story: Sofia Levin*

I'm not embarrassed to admit that I'm one of the 9% of Aussies who spent more than \$1000 buying a dog, according to the Animal Medicines Australia Pet Ownership in Australia 2016 report. What the report won't tell you is that my toy poodle, Jinkee, also sleeps on my bed, has her own wardrobe, seatbelt, multiple carriers and more than 80,000 followers on Instagram (see @LifeOfJinkee).

And yet in this age of fur babies, where pets are as much a part of the family as children, the report says increasing urbanisation and strata laws threaten pet ownership in Australia.

But I'd argue that Victoria is pet friendlier than ever. A staggering 40% of Victorians own dogs, and 35% have cats. These numbers alone make us a pet friendly state, but the ultimate would be a city in which landlords allow four legged friends without hesitation, restaurants let dogs dine indoors and pets can catch public transport without a muzzle.

In the US, dogs in approved carriers fly in the cabin to other states, while a dog bakery in Slovenia that opened five years ago is now franchised across Europe. It might sound far fetched, but Melbourne isn't that far behind,

In November last year, the Victorian Government launched the Better for Pets campaign, and legislation reforms are under way to prevent landlords from refusing potential tenants based on pet ownership. Although the change is upon us, it could have come sooner – animals have long been linked to better mental health in humans.

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## YELLOW BANDANNA?

**A number of our dogs at CDODC wear yellow bandannas... this is because they might be hyper, nervous, protective, or excitable.**

**Please give these dogs SPACE and ask the handler for permission BEFORE you or your dog approach.**



## Excessive Barking

**Please note: It is not acceptable for members to allow their dogs to continually bark whilst at Club. Complaints from neighbours to Council can make it very difficult for the Club to be seen as a group of responsible dog owners.**

**If your dog barks while tethered at Club, it may be advisable to put the dog in a covered, well ventilated crate thus removing visual stimulation, often the cause of barking. 🐾**





## Paws Love Me Cities cont.

"Having a pet promotes so much positivity," says Jodi Batchelor, community and development project officer for Lort Smith. "That experience of loving a pet, being responsible and even going through loss. So many positive things come from companionship."

High density living, which is on the rise in the city and suburbs, doesn't have to mean foregoing pets. The key lies in keeping the animal's welfare in mind.

"If you're looking at dogs, it depends a lot on breed and how much exercise it requires. So a Great Dane and a Greyhound are completely fine in a small apartment if they go for a few walks a day. But working dog breeds would not work in a small apartment because they're so clever and need something to do and if they don't have that, behavioural problems might develop," Jodi says.

When it comes to cats, it's a matter of feeding their curiosity and keeping them active. Indoor obstacle courses that allow them to explore, and bringing in sticks, leaves and dirt from outside to sniff, can help compensate for small living spaces. Hiding food for them to find is also enriching – outdoors, cats eat up to 24 times a day while foraging, not once or twice from a bowl.

Developers are starting to catch on to the benefits of living with pets. Gardenhill Apartments in Doncaster pioneered high density, pet friendly living when it announced its complex would have a residential dog park in 2015. Since then others have installed everything from doggy bins to dog washes, empowering people so they don't have to choose between their fur babies and home.

Travelling with pooches is another consideration, with a whopping 19% of Australian dog owners taking their canines with them on holidays. 85% of people who leave

pets behind prefer to do so with friends and family, but Aussies still spend \$520 million a year on pet boarding and minding services.

Earlier this year, TrustedHousesitters celebrated half a million house sits in Australia. For the cost of a yearly membership, the service connects people searching for accommodation with home owners who need a reliable pet sitter, providing the former with a free place to stay and the latter with free minding. It's available worldwide, and it's taken Brittany Sharman and Jayden McKinlay to London, Dublin, New Zealand and back to their home in Melbourne.

When I chat with them they're looking after a Shih Tzu cross and Boston Terrier in Yarraville. "We can really get to know an area and experience a lot more from a local's perspective," says Brittany. "I grew up in north Melbourne but we've been in four different houses and it's a good way to learn about a new place without rental and bills." The couple's goal is to start a digital company so they can work remotely while travelling to a new destination every month or so.

Both minders and owners can take dogs to countless outdoor restaurants and wineries in Victoria, but few venues let animals inside due to councils restrictions. Grub Food Van in Fitzroy and The Topsy Cow Malt & Vine Co in Port Melbourne are exceptions. Doghouse Australia in Collingwood serves ice cream, dogachinos and muffins made from kangaroo and sweet potato - but only to pups outside.

Bringing pets on public transport and to public spaces requires more consideration, taking into account people who might be allergic or frightened, along with resources required to make sure pet owners are controlling their animals. This hurdle has led to regular dog friendly events, from winery tours and cinema screening to music festivals and pop up markets.



Even walks in the park aren't enough for some, with dog pools such as Aquapaws in Somerville and Soggy Doggy Day Swim Days in Abbotsford making an appearance.

But it's not just animals that benefit from all of this – living in a pet friendly city is beneficial for human residents too. Studies have shown that bonding with an animal releases serotonin and oxytocin, neurotransmitters that create feelings of happiness and comfort. Lort Smith was founded on the principle when it launched during The Great Depression to help those struggling financially to care for and keep their animals.

"Lort Smith has always been about the human-animal bond and keeping people and their pets together," says Megan Nutbean. Lort Smith community outreach co-ordinator. Megan oversees Lort Smith's pet therapy program, in which volunteers take their pooches into hospitals, aged care homes and other facilities where people can benefit from the joy of a dog.

"We so often hear from aged care facilities that there's been a resident who's been down and hasn't communicated for weeks or longer, and a dog comes in and all of a sudden they're smiling, or they'll speak for the first time in years. It's the dog that wakes them up and brings them back to life," Megan says.

On a personal note, simply walking a sub three kilogram toy poodle down the street is something wonderful. I've made friends, become part of my local community, been told we've made people's day more times than I can count and seen all ages smile the most genuine smiles. Six-foot something blokes squeal with excitement when Jinkee passes, and cars pull over for cuddles. It's why I decided to volunteer for Lort Smith's pet therapy program, which will see Jinkee provide some love to those who need it most. It just goes to show what a big difference a little dog can make.

## 1. See A Film

You might not be able to take your dog into the cinema, but they're welcome at the Lunar Drive In in Dandenong (on a leash) and Dromana 3 Drive In (inside the car). Some outdoor summer cinemas, such as Moonlight and QV also allow dogs on leads and usually have a special night for four legged friends.

## 2. Sip your way through a wine tour

Jump aboard Bella the dog friendly bus and explore Victoria's wine regions, dog by your side, as you work your way through wine tastings. Dogs get a window seat, as well as a massage while you enjoy lunch, plus you'll take home personalised treats and a doggy bag [gourmetpawprints.com.au](http://gourmetpawprints.com.au)

## 3. Food Truck Feast

Track down the Canine Wellness Kitchen, which often makes an appearance at food truck parks, and treat your pup to bone broth and dog friendly beer. [caninewellnesskitchen.com](http://caninewellnesskitchen.com)

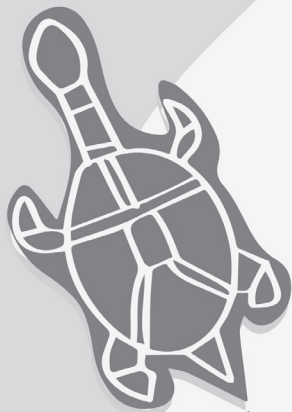
## 4. Rock out at a music festival

Tickets are on sale this month for Dogapalooza. Australia's first and only dog friendly community music festival, held at Burnley Park in Richmond on Sunday 11th November, expect music, food for all species and stalls to spoil your pup. [facebook.com/DogapaloozaMelbourne](https://facebook.com/DogapaloozaMelbourne),

## 5. Splurge on a getaway

Snuggle up next your dog at the Royal Mail's historic Mount Sturgeon Cottages in Dunkeld. It's pet friendly, there's a kitchenette and no television, which makes cuddling by the fire all the more special. [royalmail.com.au/rooms/mt-sturgeon-homestead](http://royalmail.com.au/rooms/mt-sturgeon-homestead). 🐾

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## **T**aking a dip can have many health benefits for your furry friend, by Katie Cincotta

Ever looked at a seal and thought their face looks a bit like a dog? Those big eyes and whiskers, the barking sound they make – these similarities point to the biological connection dogs have with seals, which are often referred to as the “dogs of the sea”.

Dogs and seals are part of the Caniformia family that includes wolves, foxes, raccoons, otters and sea lions. So it's no surprise most pooches can swim. Water is in a dog's DNA, which dates back more than 50 million years. Joanne Woolley, who runs Aquapaws Canine Rehabilitation and Fitness on the Mornington Peninsula, says the breeds that take to the pool with the most ease and enthusiasm tend to be retrievers such as Labradors and some of the working dogs, including Australian Shepherds and Border Collies. The body builders of the dog world – Staffies – can sometimes struggle with their big muscly chests, with many of them requiring a life vest to start out.

“Staffies are great swimmers once they get the hang of it, but sometimes they can sink like rocks if they are new to the water,” Jo says. “The worst swimmers would have to be Greyhounds. They turn on the side and they freeze. Like stunned, mullets, just floating. We actually have to get in the pool with them because I'm scared they're going to panic and snap their skinny little legs.”

Jo believes that with so many Australians having swimming pools at home, it's important for dogs to learn how to swim from a young age. “If a dog falls in, they will just swim around until they're totally exhausted and if they can't clamber up the side, they will drown,” she says,

“Aquapaws is running its first puppy Swim and Socialise program with 12 dogs enrolled for the class. “We split the class into big and little dogs and they can all have a play with tunnels and different surfaces,” Jo says.

The doggy swim teacher who trained in both the USA and the UK says swimming isn't just a fun activity for dogs; it's actually hugely beneficial for exercise, weight loss and recovery from injury or surgery. “Swimming is a non weight bearing activity that avoids all the stresses and strains of exercising on hard ground,” she says, “There are so many different surgeries that can be performed on dogs now and recovery time is reduced in the water with physio and hydro, so they can be back in action with minimal complications.”

In the last decade, Aquapaws has helped several paralysed dogs regain movement by using an underwater treadmill. “We've had quadriplegic dogs walking again. It's hard yakka and a long haul, but it's very rewarding to see owners so dedicated to their dogs,” Jo says. “The big dogs need to be hoisted up onto a crane and the owners are in the water with them. They love it because they're more proactive in their dog's recovery.”



Friends having fun at the beach.

For dogs needing to lose weight, especially old dogs that can no longer run, the Fido Fitness Club offers the tools to trim down with diet advice, swim sessions and regular weight checks. Just like seniors heading to an aqua aerobics class, old dogs like to hit the water, too, Jo says. "We've got a few geriatrics that come, as old as 15, 16 and 17. Some are so excited to get here I can hear them coming."

Boisterous puppies can also benefit from swimming if they need to release energy. "We have some that come twice a week and book the pool out for as long as an hour." With the water set at a warm 26 degrees Celsius, you can see why these doggy dippers want to "just keep swimming" like Nemo's best friend, Dory.

## Dog Friendly Beaches

Many dogs take to the water from the first splash, loving the freedom, the salty air and the fun of fetching a ball in the waves. Here are some of the most popular dog friendly beaches in Victoria.

### Bay St, Brighton

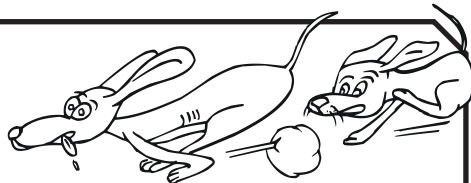
Leash free every day of the year, it's always a four-legged social event. Doggy clubs such as the Beagle Club of Vict have 30 hounds who love sniffing their way across this shallow beach.

### Ventnor Beach, Phillip Island

Rich red rock pools to explore in and deep water at low tide for a morning swim make for a great doggy beach on Phillip Island. Turn right from the walkway and head down to the sand.

### Narrows Beach, Queenscliff

Here, dogs have off leash freedom from the end of the boardwalk to Fraser St. Great to see pooper scooper bags and bins provided. 🐾



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## Kiosk

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# Why does my dog ...?

By Tim Falk

Reprinted from *Dogs Life Mag* May/June

**F**rom sniffing other dogs' backsides to turning around before they lie down, our dogs can get up to some pretty strange behaviour. Tim Falk investigates why our dogs do some of the wacky things they do.

Every dog has its own unique personality and quirky little habits. Some of those are cute, some of them are funny, some are a little bizarre and some can be downright disgusting, but they all contribute to what makes your canine companion one of a kind. But have you ever stopped to wonder about the reasons why your dog does the interesting little things he does? Is his behaviour normal for a dog, or could it be a sign of a potentially serious problem?

Let's take a look at some common doggy behaviours to find out what causes them and whether they're anything you should worry about.

## Why does my dog like sniffing other dogs' bums?

This traditional canine greeting often seems pretty gross to human eyes. When two dogs meet each other for the first time, instead of having a polite greeting face to face, they put their noses into action and dive straight for each other's backsides. It seems like a bizarre way to greet a new friend – so why do they do it?

"Believe it or not a dog's way of shaking hands is actually to sniff another dog's rear end," explains Jade Fountain, an animal behaviour consultant from Animal Behaviour Matters and the Puppy Supervisor/Trainer for Assistance Dogs Australia. "Although an unpleasant thought to us, the dogs are gathering all the information they need to meet and remember their new friend. The scent of the pheromones found at the tail end tells your dog whether the other dog is a boy or a girl and a little bit about them."

You should always allow your dog to sniff another dog's rear end in the manner that comes naturally to them; for dogs, this is much more polite than meeting face to face.

## Why does my dog turn around a few times before lying down?

Your dog has just been for a nice long walk and is clearly exhausted. He's had a big drink of water and all he needs to do now is lie down and go to sleep, but before he hits the hay he always wanders around in a neat little circle as if he's checking to see if the sleeping position he's selected is just right.

But is this desire for the perfect sleeping location a sign of obsessive compulsive disorder or just a normal idiosyncrasy of canine behaviour?

"All dogs have an instinct to circle around before settling into a nice bed," Jade says.

"This behaviour is left over from dog ancestors who settled down to rest in grass or dirt rather than a comfy dog bed. The reason they turn around was once to soften their resting place or flatten the grass they are about to lie down in. This nesting behaviour has stuck around in our dogs to this day – think of it as your dog getting comfortable."

When you consider the lengths people will go to when they want to get comfortable on the lounge, from cushions to blankets and even cuddles with their canines, surely we can understand why it's important for our dogs to get completely comfortable as well.

## Why does my dog wag his tail?

You can tell a dog is happy if he is wagging his tail, right? Well, not necessarily, despite the fact many people automatically assume a wagging tail means a dog is happy and friendly. In fact, a wagging tail can signify a wide range of very different emotions in our canine friends.

"Many people are surprised to learn that a wagging tail doesn't always mean a happy dog,"

# Why does my dog ...? Cont.



Jade says. "Dogs wag for many reasons and use their tails to communicate underlying emotions. Dogs may be letting others know they are feeling fearful, excited, or can even be saying 'leave me alone!'"

So how can you tell the difference between a dog that is happily wagging its tail and a dog whose tail is wagging to show some other emotion? The position of the tail is a critical fact that you should always take into account. "If the tail is down low and wagging, your dog might be nervous and unsure; if the tail is up high like a flag, your dog might be giving a warning to others around him to back off; a loose, wagging tail in line with your dog's back usually indicates a dog is feeling excited or happy," Jade explains. "We can also look at other parts of the body to see what the dog is trying to tell us. Ear's pricked back and a tucked tail or leaning away can mean your dog wants space and isn't comfortable. Learning to read your dog's body language is an important part of caring for your pet."

So the next time you meet a new canine down at your local dog park, remember to look at his overall body language (not just his tail) before you decide whether he's happy and friendly or maybe just wants his own space and to be left alone. It's also a good idea to start taking notice of your own dog's body language. Not only will this help you better understand how it is feeling every day, it'll also lead to an even stronger bond with your pooch.

## Why does my dog like humping people?

This is one of the most embarrassing behaviours our canine companions can indulge in from time to time, but don't worry – humping is a perfectly natural behaviour for dogs. It doesn't matter whether they are male or female, or whether they are desexed or not, you might see any breed of dog humping from time to time.

Jade reveals there are several reasons why you might see a dog humping another dog, an object or a person, including:

- **Stress:** When dogs get over-excited, are feeling anxious or stressed, they will find an outlet for their energy. Humping can serve as a stress release when a dog isn't sure what else to do with themselves, or if they are having trouble calming themselves down in a very overstimulating environment," she says.
- **Learned:** 'If a dog humps a person for the first time, we may respond to the dog by laughing. This attention can lead to the dog getting into a habit of humping to gain our attention because it is fun and gets people to engage with them," Jade explains. In many cases this means dogs will appear to hump children more often because they are more likely to get a response of giggling and laughing from the kids.
- **Hormonal:** For both female and male dogs, this behaviour can happen because their hormones are active.
- **Fun:** "Both male and female dogs may engage in humping for fun or because it feels good to them," Jade says.
- **Social:** Puppies and adult dogs will engage in humping another dog to prompt a game," Jade explains. "Some other dogs may feel threatened by being jumped on and this can be perceived as bullying in the dog world, so humping other dogs should be discouraged by calling your dog away from the situation."

"In any situation discouraging humping is best done by redirecting your dog to a more appropriate activity," says Jade. "Call him over and give him a treat or a game," Doing so can certainly save you a whole lot of embarrassment in some situations.

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## Why does my dog ...? Cont.

### Why does my dog bury a bone when I give it to him?

Like a pirate with a chest full of treasure some dogs prefer burying a juicy bone for later rather than sitting down to eat it straight away. But why do they do this – is it because they feel the need to hide it from their owner?

Jade explains that this behaviour is deeply ingrained in the DNA of many dogs. "This is a behaviour left over from canine history where dogs' ancestors needed to hide food in a safe place away from others. During these times, dogs never knew when their next meal was coming and wanted to safeguard their food. Dogs continue to bury bones and save them for later, even though they always know when their meals are coming," she says.

### Why does my dog like eating other dogs' poo and sometimes his own?

If your dog has ever decided he'd like nothing better than chowing down on a big pile of nastiness, you'll know that eating poo is definitely one of the more disgusting and stomach churning issues you may have to deal with as a dog owner. However, it's also a common problem reported by dog owners across Australia and around the world.

But is this a natural behaviour for dogs or is it your pooch is likely to make himself sick? What can you do to stop him from feasting on this unappetising "treat"?

"Some dogs get into the habit of eating poo," Jade says. "This behaviour is known as coprophagia and can make for very unpleasant doggy breath." Surprisingly, the reason that some dogs engage in this unique behaviour is because they aren't getting sufficient nutrients from their diet, so it's always a good idea to

take your dog for a checkup with your vet. Other dogs eat poo simply because they are bored or lacking stimulation, without anything better to do they can look for entertainment in the strangest of places.

"The best way to solve this problem is to prevent your dog having access to the poo and practicing good management," Jade says. "On walks, keep your dog on leash if you are in an area where people aren't cleaning up after their dogs, and distract your dog away from any poo piles if you come across them. At home, good management means pooper scooping regularly or as soon as your dog has been to the toilet, and teach a good recall so you can call your dog away from his business. If your dog is eating it's own poo, some vets suggest feeding your dog a small amount of pineapple so the resulting dog poo has an off taste."

Jade also offers another crucial piece of advice for owners. "It is important never to respond to this behaviour by reprimanding or punishing your dog as this can cause your dog to gulp the dog poo even faster, and make the behaviour harder to resolve."

"Finally," Jade says, "always make sure your dog has adequate fun activities to keep it busy and make sure it isn't bored." This will ensure that coprophagia won't be a problem for your four-legged friend.

So next time your dog does something cute, funny, cheeky or strange, hopefully you'll be able to recognise why he does it and whether or not it's a perfectly normal doggy behaviour. If not, get in touch with your vet or dog trainer to see if they can shed any light on the issue. 🐾

*"If you're uncomfortable around my dog, I'm happy to lock you in the other room when you come over." —Author Unknown*

# Eight Winter Warmers



*Reprinted from Dogs Life Mag*

As well as chilly weather, winter brings with it a whole range of potential problems for your pet. Tim Flak offers eight winter care tips to help keep your pooch cosy, warm, happy and healthy when the mercury drops.

## 1. Get Moving

On some dreary winter days, slipping into your joggers and several extra layers of clothing to take your dog for a walk is the last thing you want to do. When it's cold and miserable outside, the call of a comfy lounge and a warm cuppa can quickly make you forget just how important it is to exercise your dog.

"Keeping up your pet's regular exercise when it's miserable outside can be a tall order, however it is important for your dog both physically and mentally," says Bayer Technical Services veterinarian Dr Liisa Ahlstrom. Dogs can begin to put on weight if they lead sedentary life through winter. Fido is not going to be putting himself through a workout in the garden and will be relying on you to take him for a walk or an off leash run in the dog park.

That's why you need to do your best to keep your dog's exercise regime going, even if there are plenty of things you'd rather be doing. Getting out of the yard or house also keeps your dog's mind active and reduces the likelihood of boredom related unwanted behaviours or having house training mistakes.

"For those really awful days, don't forget there are lots of great games you can play in your home, lots of training you can do, and if you're short on time, lots of dog puzzles you can provide which will not only exercise the body, but also their mind," Dr Liisa says.

## 2. Eating right

For many of us, our dog's diet is something we tend to "set and forget". Once you've found a diet that offers all the nutrients your furry

friend needs to be healthy and happy, you stick to it – maybe with the occasional treat or three thrown in for good measure. But because winter can lead to a change in your dog's activity levels, you may need to adjust your pooch's diet.

"Those that are spending a lot of time outdoors burning up energy are likely to need an increase in calories, while the couch potatoes that snuggle up in the warmest part of the house all day may need their intake reduced a little to avoid weight gain," explains veterinarian Dr Joanna Paul from creature clinic.

Keeping warm does require energy, so dogs that live outdoors exclusively may require slightly more food to maintain their weight in winter. "If you're not getting out and exercising your dog as much as you'd like, then they may be expending less energy than in the warmer months, and you may need to feed them slightly less food if their weight starts to increase," Dr Liisa says.

## 3. Cold winter nights

From hot water bottles to fluffy doonas and electric blankets we're always looking for ways to stay snug and warm on those long, cold winter nights. Keeping your dog cosy and dry all night long is of course essential during the chilly months. "Some breeds are well equipped to handle the cooler weather with their dense coats, but others are not," Dr Liisa explains. "Short haired or hairless dogs tend to need a little extra warmth in winter, as do our young and senior fur kids! Ensuring their kennel or bed is away from draughts and the elements will go a long way to keeping your dog cosy this winter. Providing additional blankets and keeping the bedding raised off the floor will also help".

Dr Joanna also points to the importance of the right bedding during winter. "Keep them comfortable with their own soft bed or maybe yours!" she says.



## Eight Winter Warmers cont.

### 4. Rugged up

A warm jacket or coat can work wonders in winter for us, and it's no different for our four legged friends. "Some dogs love wearing a jacket, jumper or coat," Dr Liisa says. "Some are waterproof, so walking in the rain won't result in a soaked to the skin dog. There are many varieties of jackets and coats available, not to mention all manner of creative and eye catching designs, and it may take a little bit of trial and error to see what type your dog prefers. As soon as you find something warm, cosy and comfortable, many dogs will love getting all dressed up to ward off the cold.

"Coats and jackets are a great idea," Dr Joanna says. "They are particularly beneficial to dogs that have more trouble keeping warm on their own. This means smaller dogs, those with short coats, and dogs without a lot of body fat, like Greyhounds and Whippets.

If you decide to rug up your pooch in a winter jacket, keep in mind that leaving a coat on a dog if you will be away for many hours is not without risk – for example, if the weather heats up, your dog is stuck with a coat on. It's also a good idea to check that your dog does tolerate the coat as attempts to remove it while you are not supervising can result in paws getting stuck and the dog becoming distressed or injuring itself.

### 5. Indoors vs Out

As society's attitudes towards pets continue to change and our dogs increasingly become more important members of the family, a growing number of Australian dogs are allowed to sleep inside. But that doesn't mean all of our dogs are indoor pets, with many still living in a traditional 'kennel on the back porch' arrangements.

But is it better for your dog to be indoors or out during winter, and is it safe for your dog to sleep outside in the freezing weather? "Different dogs have different lifestyles, and

it's important to keep this in mind when considering their needs during colder months," Dr Joanna says. "Those that are generally indoors are much less likely to cope with suddenly being outside, while more active dogs that enjoy the outdoors are usually fine. Like us, dogs acclimatize to the warmer part of the year and even if they have long coats, they still feel the cold and need to be provided for appropriately".

Outdoor dogs obviously need to be well sheltered from the elements. They need to be protected not only from the rain, but also from wind and draughts. Access to padded bedding that is raised off the ground is another must, while you should ensure that wherever your dog sleeps is always sheltered.

Dr Liisa says that whether your dog is an indoor or outdoor pet is a matter of personal choice, and either option is fine as long as your dog is out of the elements and has a dry warm place to stay. 'During severe weather it may be wise to allow your dog inside if they can't be kept adequately safe, secure and warm,' she says. "If your pet is outdoors, check to see that the kennel or bed space is totally weather proof (check for any leaks daily) Bedding/kennels should be raised from the floor so dampness can't creep in, ensure the area where your dog sleeps is out of the wind and provide extra bedding for extra warmth."

### 6. Sad

Winter really can be a pretty depressing time of year. It's cold, it's wet and it's miserable, the days are so much shorter and you're often trapped inside for long periods of time to stay out of the elements. In people, the reduced daylight hours of winter have been linked to a condition known as Seasonal Affective Disorder – SAD for short – which basically leads to the onset of depression in the winter months.

But can this same condition affect our dogs?

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“Seasonally Affective Disorder is documented in people but not so much in dogs,” Dr Liisa says. “The main consideration for the wellbeing of your fur kids is that they get used to certain routines and if winter means they get less exercise, or less time to play at the dog park or dog beach, then this alone may affect them.” Because we tend to spend less time playing with and exercising our pooches during winter, you may notice that your dog is a little quieter and perhaps not his usual boisterous self. To keep your dog happy and healthy when the mercury drops, always make an effort to keep the routines as stable as possible. “If you are getting out less due to torrential rain or horrid weather, replace this time with some TLC, games and play dates with your pooch,” Dr Liisa suggests.

## 7. Protect against parasites

I only have to worry about fleas and parasites in the warmer months, right? Is it true that they're only a problem when the weather is hot and humid? The answer to these two questions is a resounding no. While there's a misconception among some dog owners that parasites are only a problem during spring and summer, nothing could be further from the truth.

“Ensure you continue your preventative health care such as worming and flea control as parasites can still infest and reproduce over winter,” Dr Liisa says. It's a common myth that fleas pack their bags for the winter. Don't be fooled – they are still there.”

Female fleas lay up to 50 eggs a day and those eggs can turn into larvae and stay dormant for several months. They stay hidden in your carpet, your furniture, your pet's bedding and even in the dirt, and when the right weather conditions arrive they hatch into adult fleas.

So if you don't maintain regular flea control through the cooler months, you may face a flea infestation as soon as the weather warms up. Keeping up to date with all your flea, worm and

tick control needs over winter is the best way to ensure that parasites don't become a problem for your pooch.

## 8. Be vigilant

The final winter care tip for dog owners in Australia and New Zealand is to always monitor your canine's health during the colder months. “We all feel cold at times during winter,” Dr Joanna says. “Being cold puts extra stress on bodies that can lead to reduced immune function and a greater chance of getting sick – this is particularly so for the very old and the very young. It's important to pay attention to our dogs' health during winter, and if we notice any changes to seek veterinary attention.”

And while the importance of seeking help from your vet if required can never be understated, Dr Liisa says there's one crucial aspect of winter care that can only be provided by a dog's loved ones.

“Nothing warms your pet as much as your attention, love and care,” she says. “Enjoy the cooler months and the nice cosy nights cuddled up together.”

## Extra winter care tips

- Avoid clipping your dog too short in the winter months – their fur is their insulation – but keep it neat so the coat doesn't get matted,” Dr Liisa says.
- If bathing your dog during winter, ensure you pick a dry day and do not put your pooch outside in the cold until it is completely dry. If your dog tolerates a blow drier, this will help it dry faster.
- Want to make your canine warm and cosy as soon as it goes to bed? Pop its jacket or coat in the drier first.
- You can purchase electric heated pet bedding and also use hot water bottles, but these are only suited to pets that are not destructive and will not chew. 🐾



## Obedience Triallers' Report

**P**erfect trialling weather at the **GERMAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF VICTORIA TRIAL** on **14/7/18**, cold but bright and sunny. There were three lovely passes from Croydon members. Congratulations go to:

**Anne Dengate** and **Adensley Popsicle Toes CD, GD** who got 194 points 2nd in Novice Ring and their title!

**Anne Rogers** and **Tiakina Thats All Jazz CDX RAE (Jazz)** placed 2nd in the Open Ring on 188, Judged by Mr. Ross Carlson.

After an enforced break from trialling, it was marvellous to see **Ron Sciberras** and **Spritzee Inflight CDX RE JD AD** get a UD pass – not an easy task as we all know. I'm afraid I didn't get the score but he was 2nd in the ring. Just goes to show our dogs all benefit from a rest.

It was quite a day at the **STATE OBEEDIENCE TRIAL on 4th August** for Croydon Members. CONGRATULATIONS!

It was such a pleasure to watch **Lorraine Holland** and **T.CH. Tullacrest Celtic Drift (AI) UD RN (Drift)** in the am trial UD ring gaining a beautiful pass coming 1st place Score 187, Judged by Mrs Noelene McIlroy. Not content with one UD pass they went on to gain another UD pass and their title in the afternoon trial coming 2nd place, Score 181, Judged by Mr Ross Carlson.

In the morning trial **Richard Stewart** and **Oakridge Regatta CD RE (Jack)** got a 2nd pass in Novice with a score of 179, 3rd place. Judge Mr E Howden. More success in the afternoon trial when they achieved their Novice title with a score of 183, 3rd place, under NSW Judge Mrs J Van Der Vegt.

"I am so thrilled as it has been a long time coming. Thank you so much to all the instructors that have helped me," Richard said.

**Ellagant Great Rhythm, UD RE TD (Rhythm)** and I just scraped in with a UD pass coming 1st Place on a score of 170 under NSW Judge Mrs J Van Der Vegt. We also received an award donated by Ross and Renee Carlson for the **Highest**

### Scoring Aussie Shepherd in Trial.

**Rebecca McGroarty** and **Adderslot Midnight Charmer CDX RE (Char)** did some amazing work in the UD rings but sadly missed out on one thing in each trial. However, they did receive an award for the **Highest Scoring Labrador in Trial** which was so well deserved.

**Ian Woollard** and **Dual CH (T) TS GR CH Killara Aella, UD (Nyssah)** got their **UD title** scoring 179 and 1st place in UD under Judge Mr Eddy Howden.

Ian, Lorraine and I amongst others then went into **Winner of Winners** which I personally found very nerve wracking but was very proud of Rhythm's performance as was Lorraine with Drift. But it was **Ian Woollard** and **Dual CH. (T) TS GR CH Killara Aella, UD (Nyssah)** who did a faultless heeling pattern and recall to become **State Obedience Champion 2018** in the run off.

There were some other fabulous performances from Croydon Members albeit not passing but going home with very positive results and looking forward to the next trial.

At the **SHETLAND SHEEPDOG RESTRICTED OBEEDIENCE & RALLY TRIAL on 11th August**, **Anne Rogers** and **Tiakina Thats All Jazz, CDX, RAE (Jazz)** passed in Open with 192pts, winning the ring and **Highest in Trial**. Judged by Graham Eades.

**Joan Mayer** and **Sheltoah Bearly Irish CD RN (Teddy)** got a lovely Open pass. Joan said, "Pleased to report that Teddy, received his 2nd Pass in Open under Mr Graeme Eades with a score of 190. Thank you Croydon DODC".

Between heavy showers and enduring gale force winds at **Westernport ODC's trial on 18/8/18** **Rebecca McGroarty** and **Adderslot Midnight Charmer CDX RE (Char)** got a marvellous UD pass, 1st Place, scoring 188, Judged by Barry Cotton. Only one to go Bec...no pressure!

**Well done all round team Croydon!**  
**Anne Mann**  
**Obedience Triallers' Rep.**



# Obedience Triallers' Report cont.



**Rebecca McGroarty's Labrador Retriever,  
Adderslot Midnight Charmer CDX RE (Char)**



**Lorraine Holland's Border Collie  
T.CH. Tullacrest Celtic Drift (AI) UD RN (Drift)**



**Anne Mann's Australian Shepherd,  
Ellagant Great Rhythm UD RE TD (Rhythm)**



**Anne Dengate's Border Collie,  
Andensley Popsicle Toes, CD GD (Fanta)**



# Rally O Trial Results

## Broadmeadows ODC Open Double Rally O Trials 24<sup>th</sup> June.

**RALLY NOVICE** – Helen Charles-Hoare with *Evie* achieved 96, 3rd place, in the AM Trial and 84, 3rd place, in the PM trial. They now have the Rally Novice Title. Great work Helen (who has been training *Evie* while she recovered from a knee operation.)

**RALLY ADVANCED A** - Joan Mayer with **Teddy** achieved 94 in the AM Trial and 86 in the PM Trial. Joan was quite miffed that she was riding on a 96 in the second trial and missed a HALT (-10 points – as Joan said, “Ridiculous!”) That’s trialling for you Joan, flying high one minute and coming down with a crash the next!! Just the same you gained two good passes on the way to your Rally Advanced Title – congratulations, one pass to go.

Apparently Joan Mayer’s results were better than she reported. A “little bird” said that her two scores were in fact First Place in both morning and afternoon Advanced A trials. You can’t keep any secrets around here Joan!!

**MASTER CLASS** – Anne Rogers had similar success to Joan. She reports:

*Jazz* got two beautiful Master passes today. AM trial, Judge Lynn Klecka, 96pts and first place. PM trial, Judge Mark Klecka, 99pts and first place. These were Anne’s and Jazz’s first entries in Master and they are certainly reaching the heights!! Fantastic work Anne.

## Geelong ODC double Open Rally O trial 7<sup>th</sup> July.

**Anne Rogers with Jazz** reported: *At Geelong today in very trying weather conditions, Jazz gained a pass in Rally Master with 91pts. Judge was Eddie Howden. That was in the afternoon trial.*

*In the morning trial the strong wind and rain proved to be too much of a hindrance and we had a good try but ended up two points short of a pass.*

Well done Anne. To gain one pass in the atrocious weather conditions is a testament to you and Jazz. Keep up the good work and you will have your Master Title in no time.

Although unable to attend club on Sundays because of work commitments Nicole Savanah managed to attend **Geelong Rally trials**: *We came in first place for both the am & pm EXCELLENT A trials with 99 and 95 points respectively. We also obtained passes at Hastings & another I can’t recall & have obtained our **RALLY EXCELLENT TITLE**. Onto Master now, which is a little daunting with moving stays.*

Congratulations Nicole on the great scores and achieving the **Rally Excellent Title**. We look forward to hearing your continuing exploits in the Rally rings.

## The German Shepherd DCV ran a single Open Rally O trial 14<sup>th</sup> July at KCC Park.

**Cindy Christensen** reports: *Riley and I attended our first Rally – ADVANCED A – trial today at the German Shepherd trial at KCC Park. We gained a pass with 86 points and 5<sup>th</sup> in the ring.*

*We were challenged by a couple of pink and yellow fluffy toy bunnies in the “off set figure 8”, but managed to avoid touching them.*

Congratulations Cindy. This was the first trial with her dog off-lead, which can be daunting, especially with fluffy bunny distractions on course. Well done Cindy.

**Pauline Williams** was very excited: *I am over the moon with Chester. His first ever 100! EXCELLENT A. Our first Excellent trial.*

Fantastic work Pauline. I presume Pauline would have been placed first in the ring with her score of 100.

Trialling is always a challenge and there are good news stories and inevitably not-so-good stories in every trial. Joan Mayer told us about her silly mistake as a warning to other competitors. She was disqualified because she entered the ring with some treats in her pocket. Joan was furious

# Rally O Trial Results cont.



with herself but acknowledged that she was in the wrong.

## State Rally O Trial at Dogs Victoria HQ at KCC Park – 5th August 2018

**Pauline W and Chester** entered **Excellent A** in the morning and afternoon trials. Pauline reports, *Chester did manage two acceptable passes, anyway. 91 in the morning and 92 in the afternoon in Excellent A. I got a couple of points knocked off for dog being out of position. He had lots of fun and lots of play up the back and swims in the dam, anyway. A good day for swims in the dam!*

Well done Pauline, those results are nothing to be sneezed at. You are well on the way to your Excellent Title which requires five scores of 80 or more.

**Anne Rogers and Jazz** got two **RALLY MASTER** passes - (only one more to go now for Master Title!) Morning trial, judge Fred Brueckner, 93pts. Afternoon trial, judge Mark Klecka, 100pts (2nd place - another competitor scored 100 also but was awarded first place as they completed the course in a quicker time than Anne.)

Great work Anne, maybe you'll get your title at the Shetland Sheepdog Trial next weekend.

## The Shetland Sheepdog Club of Victoria ran a restricted to breed Rally O trial 11<sup>th</sup> August at KCC Park.

**Sue Timperley and Elsa** were very successful in the PM trial. Sue reported:-

*Very pleased to report at the above trial today under Judge Graham Eades, Elsa (Inneslake Simply Irresistible CDX RE) gained a pass in ADVANCED B Score 90 and another pass in EXCELLENTY B Score 97. 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each trial. Our first leg of our RAE Title!*

*Thanks to Gary McArthur Pam and Wendy for all your help, although we haven't been training at Rally for a while!! The run through Gary gave us last week must have brought us good luck, thanks Gary!*

Great work Sue. The weather wasn't very conducive to enjoyable trialling. You both must have been very focussed to achieve such good scores. Sue now has to achieve a further four pairs of scores of 80 or better in Advanced B and Excellent B, each pair achieved at the same trial, to achieve the Rally Advanced Excellent Title.

**Anne Rogers and Jazz** gained their last pass for their **RALLY MASTER** title – 96pts, and second place in the ring. The judge was Mr Graham Eades.

For the newbies in Rally seven (7) qualifying scores of **85** points or more must be earned under at least three different judges in Master class to earn the title.

Fantastic effort Anne, congratulations. Now onto Rally Champion??

Commiserations to Joan Mayer with Teddy who just missed out on an Advanced Class qualifying score which would have given them the title. There's always next time Joan.

**Gary McArthur**

**Rally O Coordinator**



**Richard Stewart receives his Rally Excellent Title Trophy from Rally Coordinator Gary McArthur.**



# Tracking Results



Kennel & 'call' name	Owner	Date	Venue	Test & Grade
Lucsimamina Stella CCD RN (Keisha)	Merrae Balaam	25.6.18	Coldstream Eastern Suburbs ODC	Test 2 Pass
Starkehre Run Lola Run CD RAE RE PT (Lola)	Bobbee Terrill	25.6.18	Coldstream Eastern Suburbs ODC	Test 1 Pass
Lucsimamina Stella CCD RN TD (Keisha)	Merrae Balaam	07.7.18	Targoot (TCV)	Test 3 Good
Starkehre Run Lola Run CD RAE RE PT (Lola)	Bobbee Terrill	8.7.18	Targoot (TCV)	Test 2 Good
Lucsimamina Stella CCD RN TD (Keisha)	Merrae Balaam	21.7.18	Ballaarat Obedience Dog Club	Test 4 Very Good
Lucsimamina Stella CCD RN TD (Keisha)	Merrae Balaam	12.8.18	Tracking Club of Victoria, Inverleigh	Test 5 Good

*Do you consider yourself a prolific pooch expert? Are you a walking dog encyclopedia? It's time to test those skills with our dog trivia questions.*

- Normal adult dogs have how many teeth?  
A) 24 B) 38 C) 42 D) 32
- Through what part of the body do dogs sweat?  
A) Mouth B) Ears C) Nose D) Paws
- True or False: Dogs can only see in black & white.
- What is the most common training command taught to dogs? A) Stay B) Beg C) Sit D) Dance
- What is a dog's most highly developed sense? A) Taste B) Smell C) Sight D) Touch
- Puppies are delivered how many weeks after conception?  
A) 36 B) 22 C) 9 D) 16
- What is the favourite dog breed of the Queen of England?  
A) Corgi B) Basenji C) Poodle D) Pomeranian
- Which TV series had a dog named K9 who was also a robot?  
A) Full House B) Star Trek C) Doctor Who D) Law & Order
- Which dog breed is the smallest of them all?  
A) Dachshund B) Shih tzu C) Pomeranian D) Chihuahua
- Which breed was once known as St. John's Newfoundland?  
A) Newfoundland B) Golden Retriever C) Labrador D) Puli
- Which dog breed has a black tongue?  
A) Husky B) Labrador C) Weimaraner D) Chow Chow
- The first dogs registered in the American Kennel Club belonged to what group?  
A) Herding B) Sporting C) Working D) Hound
- Which dog yodels instead of barks?  
A) Komondor B) Otterhound C) Basenji D) Basset hound
- True or False: Dalmatians are born with spots.
- What breed of dog is the smallest used in hunting?  
A) Chihuahua B) Miniature Dachshund C) Toy Poodle D) Smooth Fox Terrier
- What is the name of the dog on the front of the Cracker Jack box? A) Jack B) Max C) Bingo D) Fido
- How old was the world's oldest dog, an Australian Cattle Dog named Bluey, in human years?  
A) 32 B) 27 C) 30 D) 29
- What was the most popular dog name of 2011, according to VPI Pet Insurance?  
A) Lucy B) Bailey C) Bella D) Max
- True or False: It is cheaper to spay or neuter a dog than it is to raise a litter of puppies for one year.
- What is the most popular breed of dog, according to the American Kennel Club's registrations?  
A) Golden Retriever B) Beagle C) German Shepherd D) Labrador

*(See answers on back cover.)*



# Introducing your new puppy to your cat



*By Dr Katrina Warren  
Reprinted from Pets Mag*

**P**uppies and cats can become wonderful lifelong friends, but you will need some careful planning and management for them to be successful. Cats often run when they feel unsafe and puppies can quickly learn that chasing cats can be a lot of fun! So you must manage your puppy so that he doesn't get the opportunity to practice this behaviour as it is self rewarding.

Cats love routine and generally don't like change, so it's important to keep their routine as normal as possible when your puppy arrives. If you are going to make changes to your cat's routine, make them well in advance of your puppy arriving.

## **Prior to bringing your puppy home**

Get your cat used to being fed where the puppy won't be. It will be easiest if you can feed your cat somewhere elevated like on a table or bench, so the puppy can't steal its food. Also make sure the litter tray is in an area that is off limits to the new puppy.

Set up a "safe room" for your cat that is out of bounds for your puppy. Buy at least one tall climbing tree so your cat can perch up high and feel safe, somewhere your puppy won't be able to reach.

## **Interaction**

Prior to any interaction between your puppy and cat, tire out your puppy with a run or play session. This will make him a lot calmer and less intimidating to your cat. Put your puppy on a lead while he gets to see and potentially meet your cat. Allow your cat to walk around freely, so your cat is the one who initiates any contact, while making sure your puppy cannot lunge or jump towards her. If your cat becomes frightened, move the puppy away to create more distance between them. Once both are comfortable in each other's presence, lengthen the lead to allow closer interaction.

Always make sure your cat has an escape route.

Spend a lot of time rewarding and praising your puppy's calm behaviour around your cat and always separate them when unsupervised. In the early stages of introduction, it's a good idea to erect a temporary baby barrier type gate so your cat has somewhere safe she can retreat to. Always confine your puppy to a puppy pen if you can't actively supervise. 🐾





# CDODC OFFICE HOURS

## PLEASE NOTE:

The office hours are from **9.15am – 10.30am**

Certificates **ONLY** will be available from

**10.30am – 11.00am**

The office will **CLOSE at 10.30am sharp**, so that the volunteers who work on the desk can collect their dogs and go to their training classes.

## Answers to Dog Trivia Quiz on page 22

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|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. C) 42                                 | 12. B) Sporting Group                                                   |
| 2. D) Paws                               | 13. C) Basenji                                                          |
| 3. False. Dogs can see multiple colours. | 14. False. Dalmatian puppies are born white; their spots come in later. |
| 4. C) Sit                                | 15. B) Miniature Dachshund                                              |
| 5. B) Smell                              | 16. C) Bingo                                                            |
| 6. C) 9 weeks                            | 17. D) 29 years                                                         |
| 7. A) Corgi                              | 18. C) Bella                                                            |
| 8. C) Doctor Who                         | 19. True, according to the ASPCA                                        |
| 9. D) Chihuahua                          | 20. Labrador                                                            |
| 10. C) Labrador                          |                                                                         |
| 11. D) Chow Chow                         |                                                                         |

*"Handle every situation like a dog. If you can't eat it or play with it, just pee on it and walk away." — Author Unknown*



*"Old dogs, like old shoes, are comfortable. They might be a bit out of shape and a little worn around the edges, but they fit well."*

Bonnie Wilcox

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2018

Aug	Tues 21	7.30 Committee Meeting
Sept	Tues 18	7.30 Committee Meeting
Oct	Tues 16	7.30 Committee Meeting

Unless otherwise stated the following activities are conducted each week:

Wednesday 6:30pm and 7:30pm Puppy Pre-School

Sunday 9.00am – 12:00pm:

Obedience Training – Puppies, Basic, Advanced.

Tuition in: Obedience Trialling · Rally O

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