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**We celebrated our 60th Anniversary
at the AGM on 25th May 2018.
It was a shame to cut this beautiful cake!**

NEWSLETTER OF CROYDON AND DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB





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Hi everyone,

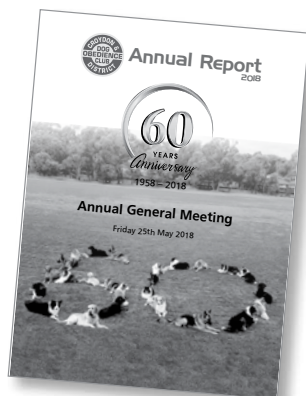
The relatively mild weather of the past few months have come and gone, and wet and cold days have arrived. These days bring challenges to our training. Our instructors are happy and willing to come to club through the winter and adjust training accordingly. In most cases we do not cancel classes due to the weather, and your instructor will adjust training to keep you comfortable and safe, however, if it is deemed best to cancel your class for one session, by your instructor you will be notified in advance. Please do not ring the office on Sunday morning to enquire if training is on. Our office staff are extremely busy and are unable to answer the phone. In general, our motto is "There is no such thing as bad weather, only inappropriate clothing". Raincoats, headwear and waterproof footwear is essential. Please ensure any coat you wear is fastened and does not flap around your dog.

Over the next few weeks you may notice extra people observing your classes. These are our trainee instructors; and out on the ground experience is an essential part of their training, along with intensive theory sessions. As the weeks go on these trainees will participate in instructing and will take an exercise themselves under the supervision of an experienced instructor until they are ready to take their own class. Please be patient and understanding during these times, it can be quite daunting to stand in front of class the first time. Instructing with CDODC is an extremely rewarding journey, and I cannot thank our new participants enough for joining us, but also wish to thank each and every one of our existing instructors who give up their Sunday mornings, as we could not continue to offer such a wonderful training environment without them.



Have you explored the various activities we offer at CDODC? Once you have successfully completed Basic 2 you have options to join various fun and challenging activities. Agility is popular for the younger more active dogs as is Flyball. Rally Obedience gives an option of obedience with a twist, the ever-popular Social class has a range of activities in which you can participate at a level you and your dog are comfortable; this is a great class for the older and younger dogs. The Advanced Obedience class leads many to the Trial ring and competition level obedience. If you are interested in exploring any of these disciplines, please feel free to discuss any queries you may have with your instructor. You can also put your name on the waiting list found on the table in the clubroom for any of these options.

**Enjoy your dogs,
Barb**



**CROYDON & DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB
ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18
AVAILABLE FROM OFFICE**



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.

Wade Ashford & Pallas
Helen Beck & Lacey
Monique Briffa & Ivy
Megan Carrigg & Eadie
Peter Crockett & Caleb
Paul Dunstan & Bandit
Shirley Emeny & Oliver
Donna Garland & Dusty



Heather Gilbert & Fergus
Christine Harrison & Tilley
Kamen Kam & Poppy
Liam O'Sullivan & Dash
Tanya Vardy & Franklin
Trevor Vardy & Toby
Lily Xu & Koda



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. 🐾



Important Notice to All Members



Your MEMBERSHIP card must be worn at all times and they must be visible when attending classes. If your instructor gives you another card with your name and dog's name on it, please do not place it over the membership card, come to the office and get an additional badge holder.

This year in particular, we had a lot of people complaining that they didn't know that memberships were due for renewal on 31st March, even though the renewal date is on your membership badge.

The club is run by a committee, instructors and volunteers who all are unpaid. Without their dedication we would not have a club, or you would be paying considerably higher fees with paid Administrators and Instructors. Therefore we do not issue reminder notices with approx 1,400 members this would be a big task.



Please remember...

Current
Membership
Card



Training

No
Membership
Card



No Training

Do you want a trophy?

All handlers whose dogs have gained a title since April 2018 are entitled to a trophy which will be presented at our A.G.M. Please give Ingrid Krueger a copy of your title Certificate. All pass/title information must be provided by no later than 31st March.

If you wish to be considered for one of our Perpetual Trophies, please make sure that you have listed all the passes you have received since last April and any qualifying scores you have earned in the Trials Results Book.

Remember the Committee does not have E.S.P.



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

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



Game of Bones

Reprinted from Dogs Life Mag May/June 2018

It's the doggy treat that causes controversy. Our furry friends think they're delicious, but should we really give a dog a bone? By Carrol Baker.

There's no bones about it – dogs love bones. Give a happy hound a meaty bone and they'll sniff, nibble, chew and scamper off with their prize and eat every last morsel. Some dogs will even bury their bones with scraps of meat attached and then dig them up and plonk them on their bed for another nibble when they are ripe. Ahhh, you've just got to love dogs!

Should you or shouldn't you give bones?

The great bone debate has raised the hackles of many canine experts for decades. Some say bones shouldn't be fed to dogs at all because they can splinter, become lodged in their stomach or intestines, and injure or even kill a dog. Others say bones can be OK for some dogs, as long as certain types are avoided and only raw bones are offered. Either way, our experts acknowledge that there are potential risks.

Dr Paul May from Northern Veterinary Group says, to play it safe, bones should be off the menu for your dog. "Bones can play a part in keeping a dog's teeth clean and they are a good way for a dog to keep busy when their owners aren't home," he says. "But, unfortunately, every time a dog eats a bone, there's a potential risk – the only way to mitigate that risk is to not feed bones."

Risky business?

"A bone can get stuck in the stomach or move through to the intestines, causing a blockage,"



Dr Paul explains. If a bone is stuck, a dog can develop vomiting and become ill – generally, the only option is surgery to remove it. Fragmented bones can also damage the intestine, meaning some of it has to be removed.

"Bones can also get stuck in the lower jaw or crack teeth, leading to dental disease and other complications," Dr Paul says. There's also the issue of things such as bone marrow, he adds. "Essentially, it's 70 per cent fat, so it's not a healthy option for your dog. Potentially, if a dog is eating enough bones, this can contribute to obesity."

But if dogs these days shouldn't eat bones, how did dogs in the wild cope? "Modern domestic dogs are very different to ancient dogs – you wouldn't see a Maltese or a Shih Tzu running around in the wild," Dr Paul says, "Ancient breeds have a very different physical make up in their teeth and size of their mouths. Even wild dogs wouldn't eat every scrap of what they caught."

If you don't want to feed bones, there is a broad range of digestible chews available. "These can help to clean teeth, they have enzymes to freshen breath and help soften tartar," Dr Paul explains.

Give a dog a bone?

There are those who say giving a dog a bone is what nature intended. And modern day dogs definitely do love these tasty treats!

Bones do have some minor nutritional benefits for your dog. As well as the meaty bits attached to them, raw bones contain calcium and phosphorous. Bones are also a good source of cartilage, which beefs up your dog's glucosamine and chondroitin sulphate.

Dr David Mason from Adelaide Vet advocates that bones can be good for some dogs, but they are for chewing on, not through. "Some dogs chew bones far too quickly and almost swallow them whole," he says.

Bones should also not be offered to dogs with sensitive tummies. "Any dog that has pancreatitis, or is at risk of it, should not be given bones," Dr David explains.

Raw Only

Dogs should always be offered bones that are raw – definitely not cooked bones.

"When bones are cooked, they can harden and splinter as the dog bites on it," Dr David says.

So what sort of bones does he recommend? "Beef bones with fatty and brisket material, sinew and cartilage, lamb shanks, chicken necks for smaller dogs, and turkey necks for bigger dogs."

As for how many bones to feed a dog, that depends on the size of the dog (and the bone) and what the bones are for.

A bone every week or two is usually sufficient. 🐾

Own a Pet - Feel good

Reprinted from Dogs Life Mag May/June

Owning a pet gives you a natural high that cannot be compared – just ask the people from Petbarn, whose recent research state that pet owners are more likely to laugh out loud about once a day or more (74%) compared to non-pet owners (64%).

It's not just a case of the giggles that helps you feel good. In this study of it's customers, Petbarn discovered that dog owners will meet an average of 2.3 people a month. Not only that, but 40% of Aussie pet owners report they've become more active since introducing a new pet into their lives.

"It's pretty simple – you are much more likely to be active with a pet in your life," says Scott Charters, chief operating officer from Petbarn. Of course, this research comes as no surprise. It's also important to note how good pets are for morale, especially for those who live alone – they don't call them "mans best friend" for nothing.

If you really want to feel good about yourself, however, adopting a pet and saving it's life is hard to beat. "Through our 90 Petbarn Adoption centres across the country, we have helped save over 13,200 pet lives since our program began – and we like to think that we have also helped improve the lives of all the pet parents and families that have welcomed these pets into their homes," Scott says.

If you are considering getting a new member of the family...

Dogs Life recommends

- Doing your research. Different dogs have different demands, find the right dog to suit your lifestyle.
- Choosing to take home an animal when you have time. Easter can be a good period for this as many people have a few days or weeks off to help settle the new pet and get it used to its new home.
- Taking into consideration the needs of any existing pets you may have and conduct all introductions slowly and with care.



Top Training Tips

By Lauren McKellar – Reprinted from *Pets Magazine*

One major reason why pets are surrendered to adoption agencies or shelters is because of poor behaviour. So how can we ensure we have well behaved pups instead of naughty little pooches?

When it comes to training your pet pooch, sometimes it can be a bit of a struggle. There are many different schools of thought when it comes to reward, correction and method, so which one is right? And what's the most important thing that you as a 'puppy parent' must adhere to?

1. Be consistent

"The most important thing you can do, at the top of every list, is consistency," says Wesley Laird, qualified behaviour specialist and dog trainer extraordinaire. This makes sense – after all, if a dog is rewarded for good behaviour on day one but has it ignored on day two, how will it learn what it was being praised for?

Unlike humans, dogs cannot speak, so we need to make sure our consistent actions speak to them as loudly and clearly as if they were words. Consistency in command and reward from all members of the family will help your dog know that no matter who is telling it to sit, it has to listen – not just if the word comes from the master of the house.

2. Set boundaries

A common mistake many dog owners make is giving their pet too much freedom before they are ready for it. After all, your dog may sit, come, stay and roll over when in the privacy of your own home, but will it obey those commands when away?

"Most people take their dogs off lead too soon," Wes says, referring to owners who take their pets to off leash parks or beaches where such behaviour is allowed. Wes recommends gradually increasing the level of freedom offered to your dog. He suggests you ensure the commands are met in the home, then in the yard, then on leash,

and even suggests letting go of the leash in training so they will have the feeling you are attached, before you make that final off leash step.

3. Set them up to win

Your dog wants to perform the tasks asked of him to please you so it's important never to show physical disapproval of a dog's actions.

"No dog can understand physical punishment," Wes says. "Correct your dog and give it the chance to show they've learnt, but never use aggression."

It's also important to set your dog to win. Don't let your pooch off leash in the park when it won't come back to you in the yard at home. Set up the situation so you know your dog will return to you, and then reward it for the win. This will help instill the positive behaviour and a sense of achievement for your pet.

4. Don't repeat

Do not repeat commands. You want your dog to sit the first time you say sit, not after the fifth or sixth time. By rewarding your pet for sitting on the fifth time, instead of the first, you teach your dog that it will please you by doing what you ask of it at some point in the future – whenever it's ready.

This gives the power in the relationship to the dog, which is not where you want the power to be.

5. Have fun

Dogs sense our moods, and if your pet knows you're not really interested in training and are just going through the motions, it will be able to sense it. Enjoy spending time with your dog and don't go into the session thinking it isn't going to work out.

The more fun you have the more you and your four legged friend will get out of the training session. This will result in a better training experience for all. 🐾

Sting in outdoors



By Dr Karen Budd
Reprinted from Herald Sun

Pets, like to play, explore and hunt, and this behaviour leaves them at risk of bites and stings. It's important to learn to recognise the critical early signs of a misadventure.

Bees and wasps

Bees and wasps inflict a painful sting with local swelling. Although a bee stings only once, the barbed sting and venom sac is trapped in the skin, and continues to release venom. Wasps do not leave a stinger in the wound, but can sting several times.



Check the site, if a stinger is present, avoid squeezing it. Scrape it away with a fingernail or credit card. Bathe the area and apply an icepack if possible. Keep your pet quiet. Watch closely for an allergic reaction, particularly if your pet is stung around the face or mouth. Pronounced swelling, wheezing, laboured breathing, drooling or collapse require prompt veterinary treatment.

Snakes

More than 6000 animals, mostly cats and dogs, are bitten by snakes in Australia each year. Summer is the peak season for snake bites in Victoria. In Queensland and NSW, snake bites are more common in Spring. A snake injects venom into the wound when it bites. Signs of snake bite include vomiting, salivation, dilated pupils, progressive weakness and paralysis, starting in the back legs and moving towards to head. The speed of onset of signs depends on the type of snake, the dose of venom delivered and the location of the bite.

If you suspect your pet may have been bitten by a snake, keep it quiet and calm, and carry it to avoid spread of the venom. Get to your

veterinarian as quickly as possible. Early treatment with antivenins dramatically improves survival rates.

Ticks

Ticks are blood sucking parasites that attach to animals to feed. The most dangerous is the paralysis tick, found along the coastline of eastern Australia. It releases a potent toxin in its saliva. Prevention is far more effective than treatment. In tick prone areas, use a specific tick control product recommended by your veterinarian, and perform a daily search for ticks.



Tick toxin is slow acting. Even after a tick has been killed or removed, a progression of signs can occur from residual venom. Early signs may be a changed bark or meow. Untreated, weakness in the back legs progresses to total paralysis, breathing and swallowing difficulties, and death. If a paralysis tick is located or your pet is showing signs of tick paralysis, seek immediate veterinary attention.

Spiders

Although relatively rare, the redback spider bite can be painful and dangerous for pets. Dogs are relatively resistant to the effects, but cats are more sensitive. It's uncommon to witness the bite, but signs may include intense pain at the bite location, vomiting or diarrhoea, restlessness and muscle tremors. Cats are often bitten in the mouth, and produce thick, stringy saliva with a protruding tongue.

An antivenom is available, and may be critical for effective treatment in cats. A dramatic reduction in signs and distress occurs within minutes. 🐾





AGM Perpetual Trophies and Title Awards

Obedience Perpetual Trophies 2017-18

CUNNINGHAM TROPHY

(highest score in Croydon trials)

Anne Woods	Elscot Reach For the Stars
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50th ANNIVERSARY TROPHY (highest scoring CCD)

Lesley Camilleri	Scanandamble Lady of Luxembourg
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R.M. LEGGE TROPHY (highest scoring CD)

Russ Grovenor	Killara Miss Fisher
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25th ANNIVERSARY TROPHY (highest scoring CDX)

Pauline Williams	Adensley Fire N Ice
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K. SMITH TROPHY (highest scoring UD)

Pauline Williams	Adensley Fire N Ice
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Rally O Perpetual Trophies 2017-18

KERRY SALOMON TROPHY

(Highest aggregate score for their Novice title)

Bobbee Terrill	Starkehre Run Lola Run
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BOBBEE TERRILL TROPHY (Rally Master)

Jacinta Burke	Kardibroke Lilac Belle
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MARJY GROSVENOR TROPHY (Rally Champion)

Jacinta Burke	Kardibroke Lilac Belle
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Bobbee Terrill	Rosarott Baskos Pride
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RALLY RAE PERPETUAL TROPHY

Bobbee Terrill	Rosarott Baskos Pride RAE
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Bobbee Terrill	Starkehre Run Lola Run RAE
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Agility Perpetual Trophies 2017-18

AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR

Anne Dengate	Arajoel Rainbo Spryte
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JUMPING DOG OF THE YEAR

Kimberlee Morrison	Teddy Bear Biscuit
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GAMES DOG OF THE YEAR

Belinda Tebbett	Ekleba Schackleton
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EXCELLENT AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR

Anne Dengate	Arajoel Rainbo Spryte
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NOVICE JUMPING DOG OF THE YEAR

Kimberlee Morrison	Teddy Bear Biscuit
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Flyball Perpetual Trophies 2017-18

NOVICE FLYBALL TROPHY

Halina Hassard	Bones
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TYSON AWARD (Flyball)

Ali Berry	Cooper
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Obedience Titles

COMMUNITY COMPANION DOG (CCD)

Bobbee Terrill	Starkehre Run Lola Run
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COMMUNITY COMPANION DOG (CCD) & COMPANION DOG (CD)

Lesley Camilleri	Scanandamble Lady of Luxembourg
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COMPANION DOG (CD)

Anne Woods	Elscot Reach for the Stars
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COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT (CDX)

Pauline Williams	Adensley Fire N Ice
Sue Timperley	Inneslake Simply Irresistible
Lorraine Holland	Tullacrest Celtic Drift

Tracking & Track & Search Titles

TRACKING DOG (TD)

Pam Scott	Mercedes Meg
Pam Scott	Tammyscott

TRACK AND SEARCH DOG (T&SD) & TRACK & SEARCH DOG EXCELLENT (T&SDX)

Ian Woollard	Killara Aella T&SC-T&SDX
Ian Woollard	Killara Winter Saturn T&SDX

TRACKING CHAMPION (T CH)

Lorraine Holland	Tullacrest Celtic Drift
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TRACK & SEARCH GRAND CHAMPION (T&S CH)

Ian Woollard	Killara Winter Saturn
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TRACK AND SEARCH CHAMPION (T&S CH)

Dodo Kelly	Fernfall Gallant Trooper
Ian Woollard	Killara Winter Saturn

Herding Test Title (HT)

Bobbee Terrill	Starkehre Run Lola Run
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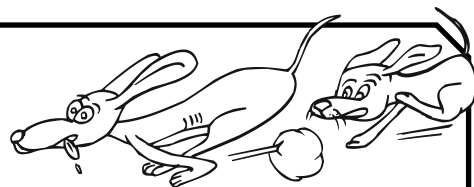
Neuter Champion (Conformation)

Bobbee Terrill	Rosarott Baskos Pride
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Agility and Jumping Titles

AGILITY DOG EXCELLENT (ADX)

Anne Dengate	Arajoel Rainbo Spryte
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Dog Club Shop

Did you know that this shop is run for you the handlers and your dogs?

Prices are usually lower than pet shops, vets and supermarkets.

We sell...

- 🐾 Sentinel
- 🐾 Training treats
- 🐾 Australian pigs ears
- 🐾 Biscuits
- 🐾 Toys and much more



Come and have a look at our products and our prices.

We can source most products so ask us if you can't see it.



Kiosk

Coffee/Tea/Hot Choc is available in the Kiosk every Sunday during training hours.

We also stock soft drinks, juices and water. Sausages are also on sale.

JUMPING DOG (JD)

Kimberlee Morrison	Teddy Bear Biscuit
Belinda Tebbett	Flynn Tebbet

SNOOKER DOG (SD)

Belinda Tebbett	Flynn Tebbett
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JUMPING DOG (JD) and SNOOKER DOG (GD-SD)

Belinda Tebbett	Ekleba Schackleton
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GAMBLERS DOG

Anne Dengate	Adensley Popsicle Toes
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Rally O Titles

RALLY O NOVICE (RN)

Gaye Penny	Abtei Great Expectations
Kerry Salomon	Ellagant Work It At Ausranch
Bobbee Terrill	Starkehre Run Lola Run

RALLY NOVICE ADVANCED (RA)

Marjy & Russ Grosvenor	Killara Miss Fisher
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RALLY EXCELLENT (RE)

Bobbee Terrill	Starkehre Run Lola Run
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RALLY OBEDIENCE CHAMPION (RO CH)

Bobbee Terrill	Rosarott Baskos Pride
Jacinta Burke	Kardibroke Lilac Belle

Flyball Titles

FLYBALL MASTER EXCELLENT (FMX)

Debra Moody	Sasha
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FLYBALL DOG CHAMPION (FD.CH) & AUST. FLYBALL CHAMPION (AFCh)

Florence Chiu	Snowy
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FLYBALL DOG (FD)

Ann Wilde	Jake
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FLYBALL DOG FLYBALL DOG EXCELLENT (FDX)

Halina Hassard	Bones
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FLYBALL DOG (FD), FLYBALL DOG EXCELLENT (FDX) & FLYBALL DOG CHAMPION (FD.CH)

Yvonne Melville	Simba
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FLYBALL DOG EXCELLENT (FDX), FLYBALL DOG FLYBALL DOG CHAMPION AND AUSTRALIAN FLYBALL CHAMPION(FD.CH.- AFCh)

Ali Berry	Cooper
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AUSTRALIAN FLYBALL CHAMPION

Brooke Driessen	Stuart
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Trophies and Awards presented



Barbara Schubert receives CDODC Life Membership



Anne Woods – Cunningham Trophy – Highest Scoring in Croydon Trials



Lesley Camilleri – 50th Anniversary Trophy for Highest Scoring CCD



Anne Coleman receives her 20 Year Service Award



Pauline Williams – 25th Anniversary Trophy Trophy for Highest Scoring CDX



Bobbee Terrill and Jacinta Burke – Marj Grosvenor Trophy – Rally Champions



Chris Krueger - 20 Year Service Award



Anne Dengate - Agility Dog of the Year Trophy



Anne Dengate - Excellent Agility Dog of the Year Trophy



**Russ Grosvenor – R M Legge Trophy
for Highest Scoring CD**



**Pauline Williams – K Smith Trophy
for Highest Scoring UD**



**Lorraine Holland – Tracking
Champion**



**Jacinta Burke – Bobbee Terrill
Trophy for Rally Master**



**Bobbee Terrill – Kerry Salomon
Trophy – Highest Aggregate Score
for Rally Novice**



**Ian Woollard – Track and Search
Champion & Track and Search Grand
Champion**



**Kimberlee Morrison – Jumping Dog
of the Year Trophy**



**Ali Berry – Tyson Memorial Trophy
(Flyball)**



**Hon David Hodgett, MP cuts
the 60th Anniversary Cake with
President Geoff Coleman**



“I did it my way.”

Hi, my name is Dash and I am a cute Red and White Border Collie who just recently celebrated my 16th Birthday with a fantastic party where lots of my two footed and four footed friends came to celebrate.

Over the years I have set many challenges for my Mum (Anne) to overcome in training me for Agility, Obedience and Tracking. Many would say that I was her greatest challenge and I have heard her tell people that she thought she was a good dog trainer till she met me. Now she is a wonderful dog trainer, all due to my diligence in keeping her on her toes.

Right from the start I was a handful and able to get out of metal crates with ease without going through the door. I also redesigned Anne's car by helping her to replace 4 seat belts which helped the puppy bars man to redesign his cargo barriers and add Perspex to the side areas.

I was always keen to work and use my brilliant mind, but obviously it had to be “my way”. I competed brilliantly in Agility for 10 years (up until I was 12) but I was only able to get my Novice Jumping and Novice Strategic Pairs titles. I had heaps of fun and did courses “my way” and often left the start line before my Mum had time to move. One time I heard a young spectator exclaim in excitement at my ability to read numbers and do the first part of the course (a straight jumping line) in perfect order!!!

Obedience was also fun and even though I was winning rings many times I seemed to be able to just miss one thing, much to the disappointment of my Mum. Eventually, I decided after several years to get my act together and I gave my very excited Mum my final pass to get my CCD.

I was better in Tracking and was able to go through all the levels and obtain my Tracking Champion. Tracking was not without its fun

and remember on one occasion I was following the track between two cows in a paddock. The Judge thought I was concentrating so well that I would just go between the cows and follow the track, but my Mum knew me better and was not surprised when I jumped out at the cows which sent them running in different directions. Unfortunately, the cows decided to turn around and charge us, not a great experience for my Mum.

I know my Mum loves me heaps, how else would she have put up with the many challenges I have given her over my whole 16 years, and I still have a few more to come.

Lots of people have commented on how pretty and cute I look but as my Mum says “Looks aren't everything”.

Dash



Anne Woods with Dash at her 16th Birthday Party

Charmaine Lee Oodles of Spoodles



DOG GROOMING

Shop 6, Wood Street, Nunawading
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- 🐾 Located in a tranquil environment opposite Wood Park, Nunawading – plenty of parking near Nunawading train station.
- 🐾 Our key focus is that we create a happy and relaxed environment – we are passionate about dogs and their welfare.

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 - Carding and Hand Stripping
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Family in the mix

By Dr Karen Budd

Reprinted from the Herald Sun

Of the 3.8 million dogs in Australia, as many as half are mixed breed. So it's not surprising one of the most common questions asked of veterinarians is: "What breeds do you think are in my dog?" A knowledge of breed appearance and characteristics is used to make a prediction, but often even experts can't agree, especially when there is more than two breeds in the mix.

Your dog's family tree

New to Australia and based on a decade of research, the Advanced Mixed Breed Identification DNA Test provides a comprehensive family tree, tracing back to the breeds of your dog's great grandparents. Each dog tested receives a detailed report including a schematic family tree, an explanation of how different breed traits can be expressed in a dog, and information about the breeds detected in your dog's family history. For puppies, adult size is estimated, based on the gender of the dog and its genetic background.

Why DNA test?

Many owners are curious to know the origins of their one of a kind mixed breed dog. Understanding the genetic origins of your pet can provide a wealth of information about why it does the things it does. This knowledge can be used to tailor training, nutrition and wellness program.

For young dogs of mixed breed, predicting an adult size was based on speculation, but a more accurate awareness of the breed background can give a better estimate.

How it works

Though all dogs are of the same species, individual purebred dog types have been developed over centuries. Selection of appearance, personality and behaviour in breeding programs, together with consistent

interbreeding of only pure bred dogs have resulted in slight but distinct genetic variations between breeds.

This DNA test draws on the expertise of scientists at the internationally respected Waltham Centre for Pet Nutrition in Britain, along with leading veterinarians, universities and breed organisations throughout the world.

Using a complex computer driven algorithm, your dog's DNA is compared with more than 10,000 samples from more than 200 purebred dogs.

How can I do it?

The Advanced Mixed Breed Identification DNA test is available nationally from veterinary practices for \$119.

Your veterinarian can collect and submit a small blood sample, the gold standard source of stable and pure DNA. Within three weeks you will receive a comprehensive report unlocking the secrets hidden in your dog's DNA.

See example of Matty's Breed History opposite.



Matty

B0000005888 Matty

What is a Q Value?

A Q value is an estimate of how much of an individual's genome came from each cluster, population or breed.

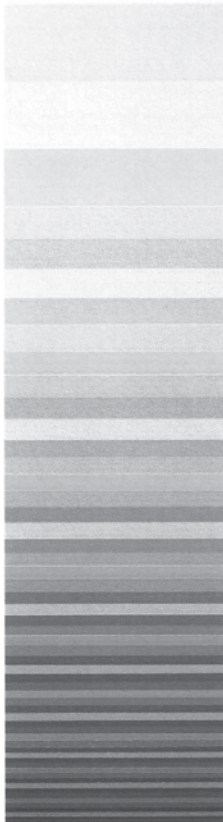
A Q value of 0.7 or greater for a particular breed indicates that your dog is approximately 100% of that breed.

A Q value of 0.4 to 0.69 for a particular breed indicates that the breed identified is a primary breed, that is, approximately 50% of your dog is of that breed.

A Q value of 0.1 to 0.39 for a particular breed indicates that the breed identified is a secondary breed, that is, approximately 25% of your dog is of that breed.

A Q value of 0.089 to 0.099 for a particular breed indicates that the breed identified is a distant breed, that is, a trace amount of your dog may be of that breed.

Q values of less than 0.089 for a particular breed may indicate trace amounts of that breed but may also be due to sharing of markers between dogs of similar ancestry.



Great Dane Q=0.114
Whippet Q=0.094
Bulldog Q=0.079
Koolie Q=0.071
Scottish Terrier Q=0.038
Tenterfield Terrier Q=0.036
Border Collie Q=0.035
Bichon Frise Q=0.032
American Staffordshire Terrier Q=0.032
Shiba Inu Q=0.028
Staffordshire Bull Terrier Q=0.027
Weimaraner Q=0.026
Curly Coated Retriever Q=0.025
Australian Cattle Dog Q=0.021
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Q=0.02
Beagle Q=0.02
Kelpie Q=0.019
Greyhound Q=0.019
Dobermann Q=0.019
Maltese Q=0.017
Bull Mastiff Q=0.016
Bull Terrier Q=0.016
Pointer Q=0.015
Poodle Q=0.015
German Shorthaired Pointer Q=0.013
Cocker Spaniel Q=0.013
Basset Hound Q=0.012
Shih Tzu Q=0.012
Australian Shepherd Q=0.012
Silky Terrier Q=0.011
German Shepherd Q=0.011
Pomeranian Q=0.01
Chihuahua Q=0.01
Dalmatian Q=0.009
Papillon Q=0.009
Jack Russell Terrier Q=0.009
Golden Retriever Q=0.009
Italian Greyhound Q=0.009
Pug Q=0.008
Boxer Q=0.008
Labrador Q=0.008
Rottweiler Q=0.007
Dogue De Bordeaux Q=0.006
Calm Terrier Q=0.006
Fox Terrier Q=0.006
Neapolitan Mastiff Q=0.006
Boston Terrier Q=0.006
Alaskan Malamute Q=0.006
West Highland White Terrier Q=0.006
Chow Chow Q=0.006
Rhodesian Ridgeback Q=0.006
Irish Setter Q=0.006
English Springer Spaniel Q=0.006
Tibetan Spaniel Q=0.005
Dachshund Q=0.005
Australian Terrier Q=0.004
Siberian Husky Q=0.004

Please Note: Only Q values of over 0.090 are statistically significant and are reported as a breed detected



Obedience Triallers' Report

Our April double Obedience and Rally trial was a great success. It was generally agreed that holding a double instead of a single trial boosted the numbers. The weather became rather warm for some dogs but overall not too bad. Thanks go to all the marvellous volunteers who turn up at every trial to lend a hand, we can't do it without you. The set up/down group was a bit thin on the ground this year, leaving it to the dedicated few, so we would appreciate a few more members' hands on deck at the next trial please.

Congratulations to the following Croydon members who attained excellent results at our trial and others, as follows:

Kerry Salomon and Rozate Rhythm N Black RE (Chevi) came 1st Place in **CCD** on a score of 94 and Highest Scoring CCD dog. Judge Ms Merrae Balaam.

Bobbee Terrill and Starkehre Run Lola Run CD RE RAE PT (Lola) 2nd place in **Novice** morning trial scoring 193. Judge Fred Brueckner. 2nd place again in the afternoon scoring 189. Judge Barry Cotton. They were also winners of the Graeme Hocking Memorial Trophy for Highest Scoring CDODC Member in Trial in both morning and afternoon trials.

On 27.4.18 **Bobbee** and **Lola** were again successful at the **Rottweiler RTB Obedience and Rally trial**, 1st place, scoring 192. Judge Kim Houlden. Lola received a 'V' (excellent) medal for an obedience score of 190 or more.

Queen's Birthday Weekend Trials in Gippsland saw quite a few CDODC members enjoying meeting up with friends over the three days, with six trials in total starting at **Bairnsdale ODC** on the 9.6.18. It was no surprise to us that **Rebecca McGroarty** and **Adderslot Midnight Charmer CDX RE (Char)** got two **Open passes**: AM trial 2nd place, score 187, Judge Kim Houlden and PM trial 1st Place on a score of

192. Judge Ross Carlson. Always such a pleasure to watch this great team.

Joan Mayer and Sheltoah Bearly Irish CD RN (Teddy) got 2nd Place in the Open Class on a lovely score of 188. Judge Ross Carlson.

On Sunday 10.6.18 at **East Gippsland DODC afternoon trial**, **Anne Mann and Ellagant Great Rhythm UD, RE, TD (Rhythm)** gained their **UD title**, 1st place, score 180. Judge Fred Brueckner.

Monday 11.6.18 saw us at **Gippsland ODC** in Morwell, where **Anne Dengate and Adensley Popsicle Toes, CD (Fanta)** got two great **Novice passes**. Morning trial 1st Place on 190, Judge Graeme Eades and pm trial 1st Place on 183, Judge Kim Houlden.

Hastings DODC Inc held their trial on Saturday **16.6.18** and in the **Open Ring**, **Anne Rogers and Tiakina Thats All Jazz, CDX, RAE (Jazz)** gained two passes. AM Trial, Judge Clive Makepeace, 3rd Place, score 186. PM Trial, Judge Barry Cotton, 3rd Place, score 185. Title.



Bobbee Terrill's Rottweiler, Starkehre Run Lola Run CD RE RAE PT (Lola)

Obedience Trialers' Report cont.



**Joan Mayer's Shetland Sheepdog,
Sheltoah Bearly Irish CD RN (Teddy)**



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



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



**Anne Rogers' Shetland Sheepdog,
Tiakina Thats All Jazz, CDX, RAE (Jazz)**



Rally O Trial Results

22nd April, 2018 CDODC OPEN RALLY O TRIAL

What a great day for Croydon. The weather was fantastic and we had brilliant help from many people. Thank you to the CDODC members who stewarded and did a terrific job helping the judges run the rings: Keri Gilligan, Kathryn Williamson, Leeanne MacArthur, Wendy Potter, Lyn Cutajar and Vernon Gower.

Well done to:

AM

NOVICE - Pauline Williams with Adensley Fire N Ice, 99 and 1st in ring - **Novice Title**.

Joan Mayer with Sheltoah Bearly Irish, 98 and 2nd in ring. - Joan's first Rally Trial.

Helen Charles-Hoare with Glenmave Ribbon, 96 and 3rd in ring. Helen's daughter Maddie handled the dog in the ring today.

Di Gower with Hemp, 96 and 4th in ring.

Dodo Kelly with Clannard O Danny Boy, also 96 but separated from Di on time so 5th in ring.

Lisa England with Bullytown Lucy Lockett, 95 and 6th in ring - Lisa's first Rally Trial.

Merrilyn Wickens with Bullytown Oixie Luna, 83 - Merrilyn's first Rally Trial.

ADVANCED A Nicole Savanah with Boon, 97 and 1st in ring.

Kerry Salomon with Ellagant Work It At Ausranch, 86.

ADVANCED B Helena Walter with Schaeferhund Nelke, 91 and 3rd in ring.

EXCELLENT A Russ Grosvenor with Killara Miss Fisher, 96 and 1st in ring.

EXCELLENT B Helena Walter with Schaeferhund Nelke, 91 and 3rd in ring.

PM

NOVICE Pauline Williams with Adensley Fire N Ice, 96 and first in ring.

Di Gower with Hemp, 95 and 3rd in ring - **Novice Title**.

Merrilyn Wickens with Bullytown Oixie Luna, 93.
Dodo Kelly with Clannard O Danny Boy, 88.

Joan Mayer with Sheltoah Bearly Irish, 86.

Lisa England with Bullytown Lucy Lockett, 84.

ADVANCED A Nicole Savanah with Boon, 98 and 1st in ring.

Kerry Salomon with Ellagant Work It At Ausranch, 90.

ADVANCED B Helena Walter with Schaeferhund Nelke, 90 and 3rd in ring.

EXCELLENT A Russ Grosvenor with Killara Miss Fisher, 96 and 2nd in ring.

EXCELLENT B Helena Walter with Schaeferhund Nelke, 95 and 1st in ring.

HIGHEST SCORE IN TRIAL - AM Pauline Williams, **PM** Nicole Savanah. Great work ladies.

What a fantastic set of results. Congratulations to all the competitors.

27th MAY, 2018 ROTTWEILER CLUB OF VIC

RALLY MASTER Bobbee Terrill and Basko 1st Place 'V' Rated Excellent, High in Trial, score 98, Judge Kim Houlden.

Bobbee Terrill and Lola 2nd Place 'V' Rated Excellent, High in Trial, score 98, Judge Kim Houlden.

6th MAY, 2018 BERWICK ODC OPEN RALLY O TRIAL

RALLY ADVANCED A - Pauline Williams with Chester entered their first Advanced Trial and gained 87. Nice work but could have been 7 points better if Pauline had remembered to ask for a retry!

RALLY NOVICE - (Pauline passed on the following result, thank you) - Joan Mayer with Teddy achieved 90 which gave them their **Novice Title**. Well done Joan.

RALLY ADVANCED B - Anne Rogers reported that she and Jazz gained 90 and **First Place**, Judge Julie Morrison. Great work Anne.

RALLY EXCELLENT B - Anne Rogers with Jazz achieved another **First Place** with 96 under Judge Gordon Parsons. You had a very successful day Anne, congratulations.

Rally O Trial Results cont.



RALLY MASTER Bobbee Terrill and Basko, 2nd Place, score 95.

20th MAY, 2018 GERMAN SHEPHERD DCV EXHIBITION

Entrant Helena Walter with Nelke explains, "We gained 91 points in Excellent B and 96 points in Advanced B. She also received a GSDCV Excellent Medallion for her performance in Advanced B. The judge was Lorna Piper. We have one more double pass to gain Nelke's RAE. (Rally Advanced Excellent Title.)" Well done Helena, gaining those double passes on the same day is hard and, at times, frustrating work. Good luck in your next trial for that last double.

27th MAY, 2018 MORNINGTON ODC OPEN RALLY O TRIAL

Anne Rogers said: "I'm pleased to report Jazz's wonderful Rally results from today's Rally O trial at KCC Park.

Rally Advanced B, judge Kim Holden, 98 points and 1st place. **Rally Excellent B**, judge Lorna Piper, 97 points and 1st place."

What a great day of trialling Anne and to top it off the **RALLY ADVANCED/EXCELLENT TITLE**. Congratulations.

Pauline Williams said, "Chester got 86 points and first place for **Rally Advanced A**, under Kim Houlden. I'm not very good at watching to see what Chester is doing what he's supposed to be doing. Room for improvement."

Yes, Pauline it can be tricky watching out for the next sign, reading instructions AND keeping an eye on what your dog is doing. Rally O is a test of the handler more than the dog!! Still 86 points is a pass and no-one will worry about that score once you have your Advanced Title!

Thank you ladies we really appreciate you sharing your trialling endeavours.

RALLY MASTER

Bobbee Terrill and Basko 2nd Place, score 99, Judge Tania Schumann

Bobbee Terrill and Lola 7th Place, score 91, Judge Tania Schumann

11th JUNE, 2018 GIPPSLAND ODC OPEN RALLY O TRIAL

ADVANCED A Pauline Williams with Chester achieved a great pass of 95 in the morning trial which gained them the Rally Advanced Title. Well done Pauline, congratulations on the title.

16th JUNE, 2018 HASTINGS DODC OPEN RALLY O TRIAL

ADVANCED B + EXCELLENT B Nelke (German Shepherd) and Helena Walter arrived to find freezing weather and gusty winds which were to continue all day.

Helena reports, "For us the Advanced B and Excellent B courses were straight forward - nothing tricky in the morning trials but no passes.

The afternoon trials were accompanied by ongoing freezing temperatures and wind.

We worked better and gained passes of 93 and 94. We now have our RAE title.

The rain came down just after we finished our trialling - there were many poor participants and judges still struggling on in the rain and wind."

Congratulations Helena on the **RALLY ADVANCED EXCELLENT TITLE**. It's taken a while but all the more pleasurable achieving it in very unfriendly weather conditions.

MASTER CLASS - Anne Rogers was, "Thrilled to report that Jazz got a wonderful Rally pass yesterday at her first go in Master at Hastings trial.

Master Rally - Judge Ross Carlson - 96pts - 4th place." Fantastic work Anne. You and Jazz also overcame the terrible weather conditions for a great pass.

Bobbee Terrill and Lola 4th Place, score 95, Tania Schumann.

Gary McArthur
Rally O Coordinator



Tracking Results



Kennel & 'call' name	Owner	Date	Venue	Test & Grade
Pratt Bramble (Bramble)	Wendy Potter	12.5.18	Haddon	Test 2 Good Judges 'Track of the Day'
Lucsimamina Stella CCD (Keisha)	Merrae Ballam	19.5.18	Inverleigh (GRC of Vic) Restricted to Group 5	Test 1 Very Good
Pratt Bramble (Bramble)	Wendy Potter	16.6.18	Bendigo ODC Woodstock on Loddon	Test 3 Good Tracking Dog title!
Jayella Wot R the Odds (Zeke)	Ian Woollard	28.5.18	Working Dog Club Merricks North Restricted to Group 5	Test 1 Very good Test 2 Very good (track on)
Dual Ch. (T) T.S. Grand Ch. Killara Aella, CDX (Nyssah)	Ian Woollard	2.6.18	Wodonga K C	TSD 9 Good TSD 10 Good (track on) – Track & Search Grand Champion title Woo Hoo!

Dog Trivia...

- At the end of the Beatles' song "A Day in the Life", an ultrasonic whistle, audible only to dogs, was recorded by Paul McCartney for his Shetland sheepdog.
- Contrary to popular belief, dogs do not sweat by salivating. They sweat through the pads of their feet.
- Developed in Egypt about 5,000 years ago, the greyhound breed was known before the ninth century in England, where it was bred by aristocrats to hunt such small game as hares.
- Every known dog except the Chow has a pink tongue — the Chow's tongue is jet black.
- Dogs have far fewer taste buds than people — probably fewer than 2,000. It is the smell that initially attracts them to a particular food.

FOR DOGS' SAKE, PICK UP

Please clean up after your dog to ensure that dogs retain their rights to parks, beaches, dog-friendly accommodation facilities, walking trails and other public places.





**Ian Woollard's German Shepherds –
Dual Ch. (T) T.S. Grand Ch. Killara Aella, CDX (left)
and (right) Jayella Wot R the Odds (Zeke).**

Herding Results

Pia Butcher and Pawsitive Secret Attraction (Alfie) CCD

Herding test

Australian Shepherd Club of Victoria 24/6/17

Pass Miss Claire Stipic

Border Collie Club of Victoria 2/7/17 Pass and

Title Hannah Barry

Pre Trial

Australian Shepherd Club of Victoria

25/2/18 Pass Miss Claire Stipic

Australian Shepherd Club of Victoria

25/2/18 Pass and Title Mrs S Hughes

Herding Started A course Sheep

Australian Shepherd Club of Victoria

21/4/18 Mrs C Szczygielski Qualified Score 78

Border Collie Club of Victoria 9/06/18

Mr Garry Roberts Qualified Score 81

Border Collie Club of Victoria

9/06/18 Ms J Clarke Qualified and title Score

77.5

Bobbee Terrill and Starkehre Run Lola Run CD

RAE RE PT (Lola) Herding – Pre-trial Test

10.06.2018 Border Collie Club of Victoria

Judge Sue Hughes –Pass

Border Collie Club of Victoria

Judge Hannah Barry – Pass

Pet Ownership, mind blowingly good

Reprinted from Pets Mag

We all know the benefits of owning a pet. After all, we love our furry, feathered, finned and scaled friends, and feel all the better for it. Now, research has proven that's not just in our heads, with a study conducted by the University of Manchester suggesting that pets can help people who are living with a mental illness to manage their condition.

"We've known for some time that the human-animal bond plays an important and positive role in the health and wellbeing of the community. Benefits can include companionship, health and social improvements and assistance for people with special needs," says president of the Australian Veterinary Assoc (AVA) Dr Paula Parker. "This new research takes our knowledge about the human-animal bond a step further, suggesting that pets can help people who are struggling with a serious mental illness to manage their medical health. Only through more research like this can we come to better understand just how increasingly valuable animals are to an individual's wellbeing and the community.

For those who don't suffer from mental illness pet ownership is still good for the mind. How many of your neighbours have you met through your shared love of a furry friend? Whether you're meeting them out on a walk with your dog or perhaps even your cat, having this common interest can help build a stronger sense of community in your area. Just one more reason to keep taking very good care of your pet. 🐾

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.

Easy homemade dog loo

Take one plastic garden pot with good drainage holes. Put droppings into this, sprinkling each layer generously with garden lime. Keep the pot in an out of the way place in the garden, but not out of the weather. If there is no rain, dampen occasionally. The lime quickly eliminates odours and breaks the droppings down into fertiliser which can be spread on the garden, (preferably not around acid loving plants such as camellias).

Essentials that all children should know...

- **NEVER** approach a strange dog unless the owner is present.
- **ALWAYS** ask the owner before you pat or play with their dog.
- **TAKE** care not to get dogs over-excited when you play with them – don't scream or wave your arms. Don't grab or cuddle a dog around the neck, as this can frighten it.
- **LEAVE** dogs alone when they are eating or are near their food.
- **DON'T** surprise a sleeping dog.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



2018

July Tues 17 7.30 Committee Meeting

Aug Tues 21 7.30 Committee Meeting

Sept Tues 18 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

· Flyball Training · Agility Training



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