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All Office bearers, committee members and instructors of the Canine Obedience Club of Townsville Inc. are unpaid volunteers who give freely of their time in an effort to help you to train and trial your dogs.

General monthly meetings held first Monday of the month February to December at 7.30pm

Annual General Meeting held first Monday in August

Executive Committee meetings held as called by Secretary

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Canine Obedience Club of Townsville Inc



Canine Obedience Club Townsville Inc

President's Report

Noel McPherson

We have arrived at AGM time again, which is when all Club positions are vacated and new nominations are taken. It would be great to see some new faces taking on roles, even if they are assistant roles this round so knowledge can be shared and prepare those not already on the committee, time to get ready and work into taking up a full position. For the sporting/training club to continue we need those who are members to say **"yes, I can help"**. Please think about attending the upcoming AGM and raising your hand to keep things rolling along and improve what we have.

As for the years gone by, 2015/2016 has been busy with a steady stream of training and trialing happening, with new people and Guardian companions coming and going. The rhythm of the dog club and its members makes for new markers throughout the year and gives us points to reflect back on. I would like to take this opportunity to mention Paul and Shari who most of you know from their involvement over the years with the club, both as volunteers and competitors. Paul I hope your health improves over the months ahead, and Shari look after yourself and take care of Paul. I hope the years ahead are less turbulent, and all the best to you both.

The club is in a strong condition with people wanting to push and improve on their competition outcomes and lots of strength and support among the Tracking squad who are reaching very high levels, creating strong bonds and desire for all to work and achieve amongst the expanding group. Interest in Tracking is driving involvement from all and the Training program that Janette has implemented is excellent and will help define the skills for those wishing to get involved.

Obedience, Rally-O and Agility comps are fairly well patronized both from the club and surrounding regional centres. More entries would not go astray and it is hoped that revision and implementation of Judy's Class 3 program will help to direct and push those working in the higher classes to have a go at trialing in the local comp's.

Class 4 has had good numbers with 6+ teams working Tuesday nights on weeks leading up to

competitions, and it is enjoyable to see the dedication displayed and quality dogs at work on the grounds under lights.

The upcoming Steve Courtney Obedience Workshop has been well supported by the club and those interested in trialing and learning new focused techniques for getting the very best from their companions. It will be a busy weekend and good to see the club supporting member's ideas for education and learning.

The training side of the club has continued well with demand from new handlers still well in excess of what we are able to provide. Volunteer man hours from the Instructor's, assistants and helpers to present the Tuesday night classes is a very high value resource, and gold for handlers who have, and have had the chance to train with us.

My progress through the Delta Cert 4 course culminated in my recent attendance at a weeklong workshop in Sydney. The knowledge gained is well rounded and has been helpful in my Coordinators position with the club.

The Delta training model is top level, yet I believe very hard to reproduce in our club environment. The best I feel we can do currently is to improve on techniques as we all learn, and provide advice, skills and practical help that fits the courses we run, which will in turn help the largest portion of pet owners possible. We do not have the resources to help those attendee's having individual behaviour problems with dog's feeling stressed and not coping in the group environment. It is best we provide them with early constructive, helpful advice so they can seek focused help such as 1 on 1 training in the home environment, and direct our focus on the majority of attendees that can handle the busy training environment.

As always thanks to the committee for the dedication and support during the year, thanks to all volunteers for sharing your time and giving to the club and great work by all of you in keeping the club strong.

All the best for each and every one of you, and your companions.

See you in the paddock - **Noel McPherson, President**

REGISTERED HANDLER OR CLUB MEMBERSHIP ??

When you sign up for obedience lessons you have the choice of joining the club as a Registered Handler or Club Member.

Most handlers will choose to join as a Registered Handler which allows you to attend classes each week and participate in any external Club activities ie RSPCA's Million Paws Walk or Townsville City Council's Pet Expo.

However, if you wish to become more involved in the Club by taking on an Office Bearer or Instructor position, or participate in competitions, you will need to be a Club Member.

You can change from Registered Handler to Club Member at any time with no additional fee, so if you would like to do so please see the ladies at the clubhouse on Tuesday night.

Registered Handler

- 🐾 Receive emails on upcoming club activities
- 🐾 Participate in Club demonstrations eg RSPCA Million Paws Walk
- 🐾 Attend our Monthly General Meetings held the first Monday of each month (but are not entitled to vote, submit or approve motions).

Membership

- 🐾 Receive emails on upcoming club activities
- 🐾 Participate in Club demonstrations eg RSPCA Million Paws Walk
***** PLUS *****
- 🐾 Attend our Monthly General Meetings held the first Monday of each month, and are entitled to vote
- 🐾 Receive notification via letter of Annual General Meeting
- 🐾 Nominate for a Position as either Office Bearer or as part of the Executive Committee (see inside page of magazine for Positions). You need to be a financial member for a minimum of three months before nominating for a position.
- 🐾 Eligible for Title and Perpetual Trophies if competing in trials.

If you do not renew your Registration or Membership you can no longer attend training or club events and your name will be removed from the Club's email list.

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*Don't make the mistake of treating your dogs like humans,
or they'll treat you like dogs*

Just Briefly



Keep up to date with the rules for
Obedience, Rally-O,
Agility, Endurance and
Tracking

as issued by the ANKC.

They are free to download from their website
<http://www.ankc.org.au/Rules.aspx>

Club T-Shirts are available from the Club Shoppe on Tuesday night. They are made from a durable cotton material, great for wearing to training, at trials to fly the Club's colours, and will last forever!

Cost - \$46. Also available at very reasonable prices are cloth webbing leads, martingale collars, treat bags and bags of treats.

Back issues of the magazine
can be downloaded from
our website www.coct.com.au
Catch up on articles
you may have missed on trials,
behaviour, training and
feature stories.



The Club Library is open the first and fourth Tuesdays of each month. We have small but interesting range of books suitable for the beginner to the advanced handler, so come into the clubhouse and have a chat to our Librarian Sheila about what you can borrow. There are no fees, and books can be borrowed for a fortnight.

Have you enjoyed your classes, love dogs, and would like to help others train theirs?
The club has openings for several Trainee Instructors.

The minimum requirement is that you have completed basic training and have had some trialling experience, or have been an Instructor in another club.

You will be paired with an experienced instructor who will take you through week by week theory and practical on how to teach handlers to train their dogs.

All instructors are volunteers who started off just like you – taking a dog through classes, graduating into Class 4, and then becoming interested in the training program.

To find out more ask to talk to Noel, our Training Co-ordinator.



Calling all Class 4 handlers !!

Handlers who have graduated from Class 3 are welcome to continue their training in Class 4 from 8.00-9.00pm on Tuesday night.

This Class is less structured than Classes 1-3, but can be used to start learning new obedience exercises like heel off lead, change of position, broad jump, and retrieving the dumb bell or just keep skills up to date.

It is a great way to keep your dog active, socialised, and mentally stimulated.

Feel free to let your Instructor know what you would like to learn on the night as classes are quite flexible.

Flyball training is on the

first and third Thursday from 7.30pm – 8.30pm.

Perfect for ball mad furkids and heaps of fun for all.

For more info ask Renate or Judy at the Clubhouse on Tuesday nights.

Cost : \$5.00 per week



Thursday night training is a great opportunity to have one-on-one training with an experienced instructor. If you have a particular problem that you are having difficulties with, want to prepare for entry into a competition or simply want to take advantage of an extra night's training you are welcome to attend.

Training commences around 6.30pm for about an hour, and after your session with the instructor can practice more on your own. It's free!

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED WITH COMPETITIONS ??

All dogs regardless of breed can compete in obedience, agility, tracking and endurance, but first you need to join Dogs Queensland (CCCQ). There is a joining fee plus annual fee to pay for either single or joint membership.

PEDIGREE DOGS WITH PAPERS

Download the Application Form for New Membership 2013 from Dogs Queensland website <http://www.cccq.org.au/New-Member-Information.aspx>.

CROSS BREED AND NON-PEDIGREE DOGS

Download and complete the above form for New Membership PLUS the Associate Register Form <http://www.cccq.org.au/Member-Forms.aspx> – scroll down to Registrations and select Associate Register (AR). Up to two (2) dogs may be registered to a membership with the initial registration, with any subsequent registrations to the membership, to be dogs eligible for registration on the General or Limited Registers. Members who subsequently wish to register extra dogs that have been acquired under special circumstances or from a registered welfare organisation may apply for dispensation to do so. All applications for registration are to be accompanied by a certificate of de-sexing from a veterinarian.

WHAT'S HAPPENIN'?

RALLY-O TRAINING

Rally-O training is held the SECOND and FOURTH Tuesday February to December from 8.00pm, and every Thursday from 6.00pm to about 7.00pm. Come and see how much fun this new dog sport is. All are welcome to have a go, and the cost is FREE for Thursday nights.

OBEDIENCE, AGILITY & TRACKING TRIALS

July is a busy month with three obedience, rally-obedience and agility trials plus the last tracking and track and search trial for the season. Dates, times and judges listed in the Trial Calendar on Page xx. If you are interested in trialling ask your Instructor for more information, or come along and have a look on the day.

TOWNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL PET EXPO 2016

Unfortunately due to a massive drop of rain (which we so desperately needed), the Townsville City Council Pet Expo was washed out on Sunday 19 June 2016. It has been re-scheduled to Sunday 24 July 2016 but the Club will not be able to attend as it clashes with an Obedience Workshop that same weekend.

COME AND BE INVOLVED !! CLUB MONTHLY MEETINGS

Meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 7.30pm at the Clubhouse at Heatley Park. Everyone is welcome to attend if you would like to contribute, offer help or just find out more of what goes on in the running of your Club. Next meeting is **Monday 11 July 2016**. We would love to see you there!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 1 August 2016 at 7.00pm. All positions are open (listed on Page ii) and we would love to see some new members become more involved with the club! Even if it is to help out on occasion, it makes all the difference. If you are interested please let your Instructor know or have a chat to one of us in the clubhouse on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

DID YOU KNOW ...



Superdogs are made, not born... those who have just purchased a pup or are considering one, have a read of this article. It provides in-depth advice on what to do and especially, what *not* to do in the vital first weeks of a pups life that can influence its behaviour into adulthood. Dogs with little human or other dog contact in their first three months typically don't make good pets, so this guide is invaluable for potential owners.

Click on this link <http://www.caradobe.com> then drill down through Articles Index / All about Puppies / Super Dogs are Made, Not Born.

At 28 pages long the article is too large to include in the mag, so please download your own copy to read. There are also other interesting articles on Housebreaking your Puppy; Kids, Puppies and Dominance; and Creating a Strong Bond with your Puppy.



Getting rid of Goo ... Sooner or later, your dog will get chewing gum, tar, tree sap, burrs, or some other sticky or tenacious substance in her fur. To get rid of sticky stuff without cutting the hair, work some vegetable oil into the goo with your fingers. The oil will help break up the goo into smaller pieces, which you can gently pull out of the fur. When you're done, bathe your dog with a mild dog shampoo to remove the vegetable oil.

Never use paint thinner, turpentine, nail-polish remover, or other solvents to remove messes from your dog's fur: they are toxic if licked off or absorbed through the skin.



Doggie kisses turn deadly ... Doctors have warned that dogs can cause sepsis in humans just by licking us. A 70 year old woman in the UK ended up in intensive care with multiple organ failure after contracting a rare infection from her Italian greyhound.

It is thought bacteria that lives in cavities in dogs' mouths were passed on to the woman from her pet because she often petted it closely and let it lick her. The woman's case was particularly unusual because she had not been bitten or scratched, and doctor's suspect the dog may have licked her on the mouth.

The condition occurs when the immune system goes into overdrive as it tries to fight infection, and the woman nearly died after the infection led to sepsis. Known as the silent killer, sepsis can lead to organ failure and be fatal. So best to think twice before letting your dog lick you on the face!



Training Reports

June 2016

Nearly mid-way through the year with winter and the trialling season is well under way. Intake 2 is still underway with two training nights left. Numbers are remaining steady for Julie and Judy, with both intermediate classes near capacity and the lovely Kirsten working hard with a good solid turn out for Class 3. All of the attendees' that I speak to are enjoying the advanced level and appreciate the help they are getting from the instructors. Thanks to you all and keep up the good work. All three instructors will continue in the same rolls for next round, with Kirsten asking to be the instructor for Class 4 for the first few nights next intake so she can help her chargers from Class 3 to adjust to the higher standard. What can I say???

All 3 PDT Beginners classes are going well, with only a few absentees for one reason or another, but it is nice to look around the grounds and see some inventive and enthusiastic training work happening. Those Guardians who go to the trouble to rock up each week, do so because they are enjoying the work and feel they are learning and progressing, so that is positive training in a nutshell.

Jane is doing well in her first try at holding a class and coordinating what she wants to focus on to get through the course content. I have been able to assist a small amount and Jane has managed to do 95% of the nights so far which was always going to be the hard bit for her juggling work commitments. Thanks Jane, and many thanks to Jens for his help with Diane, and also his extra efforts getting out, and packing away chairs etc to keep the night moving. I have been running a repeat class at 8.00pm, but as usual there are no repeat Beginners and instead do two Intermediate dogs. I will not be offering an 8.00pm class for Intake 3, but will instead juggle any repeats into the existing classes.

I look forward to the upcoming Instructors meet in July and hope for a strong finish to intake 2 for you all. Thanks to each and every volunteer, for your ongoing hands on support on training nights.

Training Reports

July 2016

We have reached the halfway point off our training calendar for 2016, and hope Instructors and attendees all learnt something new as a result of the courses on offer. In the three levels for Term 2 run at 7.00pm we had approximately 45 Guardian/Dog teams in the park on Tuesday nights training, with 14 successful Beginner teams being upgraded from a total of 24, 5 Intermediate teams from 16, and 4 upgrades in the Class 3 course.

Term 3 is about to get underway with a similar intake size for last quarter, and I wish you all good luck and the virtue of patience in the 10 weeks ahead. I have had to turn away many potential teams due to lack of instructor resources, so for those who were organized and enrolled early and completely, well done and I hope you make the most of the help your talented Instructors are going to give you over the course. The Train at Home Guide has all the information to follow and work through at home, and the Instructors are available for 45 minutes during class each week to give members hands on help in understanding the exercises.

The Club is unable to produce the familiar/calm work environment that handlers have at home which makes training in the distracting environment difficult, especially for young animals and those that are unfamiliar and/or easily aroused. What we can offer is the chance to train your dog in an average setting that you find in your daily exercise areas and social outings that make up most of our lives.

Some dogs are not suitable or comfortable with this and may never be, and as a responsible club we will advise those who attend that they may need more help before considering training with us at a later date.

If that is all we can do for attendees then that could be the best early intervention help you ever get with your beloved companion. All of us at the club have the welfare of all our attendees at heart and try to best help where possible.

Thanks to each and every volunteer for your support, and hope as the training Coordinator I am supporting you in return.

Noel McPherson
Training coordinator

***Sign in Veterinary Waiting Room :
Back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!***



TRACKING TRIAL 7-8 MAY 2016 REPORT

Judges:

Debbie Lamprecht, Pine Rivers (TSD, Tracking)
Mr Mal Holland, Townsville (Tracking)



Our second TSD & Tracking Trials of the season began in Annandale with Debbie Schmidt & Kenzie (German Shepherd) making their first attempt at TSD3 under judge Debbie Lamprecht. Unfortunately this time out Kenzie spooked a wallaby, getting both herself & Debbie tangled in the waist high grass & vines, exhausting herself in the process. Hopefully they'll have better luck next time out.

Due to the number of high level tracks, Dogs Qld allowed us to once again run two tracks on Saturday, so that afternoon saw us out in the tracking paddock with Carolyn Lynn running Kelly (Australian Kelpie) at T7 & receiving a "Very Good" pass under judge Debbie Lamprecht. Meanwhile, I ran my GSD Jax at T4 under judge Mal Holland. Unfortunately, Jax failed to indicate more than 1 of the required articles so no joy & back to the training grounds for us.

Sunday morning saw mixed results for Debbie's group, with Silke Weyland & Aska (Belgian Malinois) of Cairns receiving a "Very Good" pass & achieving the TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent) Title, while Tanya Hill & Renoir (Doberman) had less luck, coming to grief in the lantana on their T8 test.

The other group under Mal Holland was also having a mixed run. Debbie Schmidt & Furi (GSD) (*pictured right*) received a 'Very Good' T2 pass, Bronwyn Mullins & Zacc (Beagle/Kelpie cross) gained an 'Excellent' T2 pass, while Julie Doig & Zoe (Staffordshire Bull Terrier) were waylaid by birds on their T3 run. Renate Linder & Lilly (Groendale) missed out on their T5 track, but Heidi Christoffel & Heicko (GSD) of Mackay were successful in achieving a 'Good' pass at T7 level.

It was wonderful to see everyone have a great weekend, even if not everyone was successful on the day, as every time we enter the paddock we learn more about how our dogs work & get great advice from our judges. Congratulations to everyone who achieved quals/titles, commiserations & best of luck next time to all our other competitors. We all have areas to work on (article indication for me).



The organization of any successful trial, especially tracking takes the input of many people & I'd like to extend a huge thank-you to all our judges, stewards, track setters & tracklayers (baits), without whom there would be no competition. Please don't forget to thank those involved on the day. Also a special thanks to everyone participating in the judges training scheme - our trainee judges Debbie Schmidt & Carolyn Lynn, assistant Julie Doig & our mentor Mal Holland for his ongoing assistance with all things tracking, & Dawn Holland & Sheila Fielder for the fabulous breakfasts they provided on Saturday & Sunday mornings respectively. If I've failed to mention anyone personally, please know that I appreciate every and any assistance given.

Note: Due to the increase in TSD numbers & the logistics of running trials on business days when our helpers are working, it was decided that all TSD trials would be run on Saturdays & Tracking trials would be limited to single trials on Sundays, therefore balloting rules will apply. All handlers are to assist where required during both the preparation & running of the trial.

Janette Cussons, Tracking Coordinator 2016

TRACK & SEARCH TRIAL – ANNANDALE

7th May 2016

Judge: Debbie Lamprecht

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
No quals			NQ

TRACKING TRIAL – ALICE RIVER

7TH & 8TH May 2016

Judge : Debbie Lamprecht

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track : T7			
Carolyn Lynn	Callicoma Leaps and Bounds TD	Australian Kelpie	Very Good
Track: T6			
Silke Weyland***	Nordenstamm Aska	Belgian Malinois	Very Good

****CONGRATULATIONS - TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT TITLE!****

Judge : Mal Holland

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track: T2			
Bronwyn Mullins	Zacc	Beagle/Kelpie Cross	Excellent
Debbie Schmidt	Monsimbee They Call Me Furi	German Shepherd Dog	Very Good
Track: T7			
Heidi Christoffel	Raennik Heicko RE TDX	German Shepherd Dog	Good



Above: Judge Debbie Lamprecht (r) presenting Carolyn Lynn with T7 Qualifying Score Ribbon and Certificate



Above: Trainee Judge Carolyn Lynn presenting Bronwyn Mullins with T2 Qualifying Score ribbon and certificate. Carolyn was shadow judging Judge Mal Holland as part of her Traineeship to become a Licenced Tracking Judge.



TRACKING TRIAL 11-12 JUNE 2016 REPORT

Judges:

Mr Mal Holland, Townsville (TSD, Tracking)

Mr Grant Glover, Brisbane (Tracking)



What an absolutely fantastic weekend of tracking we've had!!

The weekend kicked off with 4 Track & Search entries under Judge Mal Holland, all of whom got up. At TSD1 level we had Mel Henley & Indy (Belgian Malinois) of Cairns achieving a 'Good' while both Christoffel & Heicko (GSD) of Mackay & Tanya Hill & Renoir (Doberman) of Charters Towers both received 'Very Good' passes. Debbie Schmidt & Kenzie (GSD) then took out their TSD3 (Track & Search Dog) Title with a 'Good' pass – congratulations ladies!!

Once again, with Dog's Queensland approval, we ran a track on Saturday which saw Carolyn Lynn & Kelly (Australian Kelpie) achieve an "Excellent" T8 pass under judge Grant Glover gaining their Tracking Dog Championship Title!

Sunday saw us back out in the paddock with Grant's group having mixed results. Unfortunately Mel Henley & Cougar (Belgian Malinois) of Cairns missed out on their first T1 attempt, as did Bronwyn Mullins & Zacc (Beagle/Kelpie cross) on their T3. Sadly for Judy Forbes-Faulkner & Rosie (Border Collie), Rose took the cross track on their T8 test but Debbie Schmidt & Furi (GSD) earned a 'Very Good' pass on the T3 test gaining their Tracking Dog Title.

Over with the other group Mal was having a dream run – Donna Williams & Buka (Labrador Retriever) gained an 'Excellent' pass on their first T1 attempt, Julie Doig & Zoe (Staffordshire Bull terrier) a 'Very Good' T3 pass & their Tracking Dog Title. It's so lovely to see this little dog work, such enthusiasm, after a wild ride along a gully & through the lantana at the second corner - why tack the easy route when you can bash through the bush, lol! My Jax (GDG) managed to remember to indicate this time round & scored a 'Good' T4 pass, & last but not least Silke Weyland & Aska (Belgian Malinois) of Cairns scored a 'Good' pass on their T7 test.

Way to go everyone! Great work ladies!

It was another fantastic weekend of tracking - congratulations to everyone who achieved quals/titles, commiserations & best of luck next time to all our other competitors. We all have areas to work on (article indication for me). It was a great to see everyone have a great weekend, even if not everyone was successful on the day, as every time we enter the paddock we learn more about how our dogs work & get great advice from our judges.

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Janette Cussons
Tracking Coordinator 2016

TRACK & SEARCH TRIAL – ANNANDALE**11th June****Judge: Mal Holland**

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
TRACK: TSD1			
Heidi Christoffel	T Ch Raennik Heicko RE	German Shepherd Dog	Very Good
C.E (Tanya) Hill	T Ch Ch Darchaltan Designa Genes	Doberman	Very Good
Melinda Henley	T CH Gr O Ch Nordenstamm Udo UDO		
	UDX	Belgian Malinois	Good

TRACK: TSD3

Debbie Schmidt	T Ch Bossface Mackenzie	German Shepherd Dog	Good
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****CONGRATULATIONS - TRACK & SEARCH DOG TITLE!******TRACKING TRIAL – ALICE RIVER****11-12th June****Judge : Grant Glover**

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track: T3			
Debbie Schmidt	Monsimbee They Call Me Furi	German Shepherd Dog	Very Good

****CONGRATULATIONS - TRACKING DOG TITLE!******Track : T8**

Carolyn Lynn	Callicoma Leaps and Bounds TD	Australian Kelpie	Excellent
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*****CONGRATULATIONS - TRACKING DOG CHAMPION TITLE!*******Judge : Mal Holland**

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track: T1			
Donna Williams	Ch Pinnearendi Silki Buka CD RAE JD GD	Labrador Retriever	Excellent
Track: T3			
Julie Doig	Diamondrio Suzie RN	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Very Good

****CONGRATULATIONS - TRACKING DOG TITLE!******Track: T4**

Janette Cussons	Raennik Natan TD	German Shepherd Dog	Good
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Track: T7

Silke Weyland	Nordenstamm Aska TDX	Belgian Malinois	Good
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Carolyn Lynn (*far right*) being presented with her Tracking Dog Championship Ribbon & Certificate by Trainee Judge Debbie Schmidt. Deb was a Shadow Judge to Judge Grant Glover (*far left*) on this track as part of her Judges Training Course.



(Above) Trainee Judge Debbie Schmidt awarding Donna Williams with her T1 Qualification track by her Labrador Buka.



(Above) Judge Mal Holland awarding Debbie Schmidt with the Track & Search Dog Title ribbon.

(Right) Judge Mal Holland presenting Mel Hendley with her Track & Search Title Level 1 Qualification Ribbon



(Above) Judge Mal Holland presenting Julie Doig with her Tracking Dog Title Ribbon. Well done to Julie and her little Staffy, Zoe.



(Above) Judge Mal Holland awarding Tanya Hill with her Track & Search Level 1 Qualification Ribbon and Certificate.





(Left) Debbie Schmidt and Kenzie with their Track & Search Dog Title Ribbon and Certificate

(Right) Janette Cussons and Jax with their Tracking T4 Qualification Ribbon and Certificate.



2016 RSPCA MILLION PAWS WALK

The Annual RSPCA Million Paws Walk was held on 15th May at Jezzine Barracks. A near record number of people and their dogs of all breeds, shapes and sizes turned out on a lovely sunny morning to participate in the walk. There were many stalls displaying and selling everything you could think of for our furry friends – treats, food, leads, collars, washes, portraits, grooming, training – you name it, it was there!

Our club was there with our display on Pet Dog training and all the activities we offer. We spoke to many dog owners about Pet Dog Training which was very pleasing and hopefully will result with some new Beginners signing up. It isn't mandatory to register and do the Walk, you can simply turn up and enjoy the morning's festivities, so next year why not come along?

Diane MacIntyre, Demonstration Co-ordinator





Training Consistent Interactions

This means using everyday situations to train and continually strengthen good manners - without spending a lot of time on dedicated dog training sessions. It boils down to this: Whatever the dog wants, don't give it away for free. Don't open the door just because the dog paws at it; don't throw the ball just because he barks at you. For those and countless other privileges, ask the dog to say "please" first by doing something like sitting quietly.

The benefits of this approach are many. For one thing, good manners become part of everyday routines rather than something the dog is asked to do only in special training situations. Your dog also learns a degree of impulse control. He realizes that not immediately acting on impulse, but rather stopping to consider alternative options, can be rewarding. Training also becomes linked in the dog's mind to all his favourite activities: he will sit for having his leash put on for a walk, he will comply with a request before being invited onto the couch, he will have to look at you before getting his breakfast or a chew toy, and he will release the ball before tossing it again, and playing fetch with you. When all good things must be preceded by responding to a cue that you give, your dog quickly learns to behave politely.

The goal isn't to seek the perfect obedient response to "sit" or "stay"; it simply teaches your dog to say "please." If the dog puts his bottom to the floor, the item or attention will be provided. Soon it becomes second nature, and your dog might default to a "sit" behaviour instead of jumping or pawing at you. You can then decide whether to ask for an additional behaviour, such as a "down" or "look." This is also a safety precaution: if your dog defaults into a sit position every time you get ready to open the car door, he will not bolt out and possibly get hurt. If he sits to have his leash put on, he will not run around and you will not have to chase him. This makes taking the dog out a pleasure instead of a struggle. Use a "please" action before:

- Throwing a ball, Frisbee, etc.;
- Handing over a toy;
- Putting the food bowl down;
- Giving a treat or chew toy;
- Opening a door;
- Clipping on a leash to go for a walk;
- Taking off a leash at the park or beach;
- Delivering a belly rub or a good ear scratch;
- Allowing the dog into or out of the car.

For additional advice on understanding your dog's behaviour, [purchase *Decoding Your Dog* from *The Whole Dog Journal*.](#)

Deaf Dogs: Living with Hearing Loss

By Jennifer Reed

While most dogs experience some degree of hearing loss during their lifetime, deafness does not have to mean a decreased quality of life—for you or your dog! Learn the signs of hearing loss in dogs and how to manage deafness at home here.

What is deafness?

Deafness refers to a complete or partial loss of hearing. This loss can be temporary or permanent and it may affect one or both ears. Temporary or transient deafness is most often due to build-up of wax or debris in the ear canals, while permanent deafness can have a number of causes, including untreated ear infections, injury, drug toxicity, tumours, congenital (birth) defects and old age.

What are the symptoms?

A dog with significant hearing loss may:

- Show a change in obedience or attentiveness
- Appear unresponsive to everyday sounds, such as the doorbell or vacuum
- Appear unresponsive to his/her name
- Fail to respond to familiar verbal commands
- Be difficult to rouse from sleep
- Be less active
- Bark excessively
- Shake or tilt his/her head



What are the causes of deafness?

Deafness may be caused by a number of factors, including congenital defects, chronic ear infections, head injuries, drug toxicity, degenerative nerve changes, old age or disease, such as a tumor or ruptured ear drum.

Certain breeds—including Dalmatians, English setters, Australian shepherds and Jack Russell terriers—are prone to congenital deafness. Early onset deafness, especially in predisposed breeds, typically suggests congenital causes and is usually irreversible.

While we are not quite sure what causes this condition, we do know there is a connection between congenital deafness and coat colour. Dogs with predominantly white or merle coats may be at increased risk for congenital deafness.

Senile deafness develops gradually, typically occurring at about 13 years of age. Many older dogs lose their hearing but never become completely deaf; however, the loss that has already occurred is permanent.

Temporary deafness is often the result of build-up within the ear canals. In addition to wax build-up, some dogs may have excess hair in or around their ears. This hair can collect wax and debris and form a plug in the canal, leading to hearing loss. This type of deafness may be reversed with treatment.

How will I know if my dog is deaf?

If your dog has any of the above symptoms, you may suspect him/her of being deaf. But how can you know for sure?

First, a complete veterinary exam is needed. After examining your dog's ear canal for any abnormalities, including wax or debris, infection, inflammation and injury, your veterinarian may perform a simple hearing test, such as stepping quietly behind him/her and clapping loudly to check his/her response. If you use this method to test your dog at home, be sure to stand far enough away from your dog, as he/she may be able to feel the vibration of the sound. You may also wait until your dog is asleep to test his/her hearing.

While these tests may give you an idea of your dog's hearing ability, the most reliable method for determining deafness is the Brainstem Auditory Evoked Response test, or BAER test. Originally developed to test hearing in infants, this test records the electrical activity of the brain in response to sound stimulation.

Living with a deaf dog

Living with deafness may take some time to get used to—usually for the human more than the dog! Dogs who become deaf, especially later in life, typically do not experience any anxiety over their loss of hearing and seem to have very little trouble adapting to their condition. However, some modifications will need to be made to accommodate the deaf dog's lifestyle.

- Monitor your dog's activity to avoid injury. Remember that a deaf dog cannot hear traffic or other dangers around him/her. Never let a deaf dog outside on his/her own. Instead, keep your dog on a leash or in a fenced yard when outdoors.
- Train your dog using hand signals. Many deaf dogs can use eyesight to learn visual commands. Not sure where to start? [Animal Wellness Magazine](#) has a great crash course on sign language training.
- Visual cues can help get your dog's attention. Use a flashlight or simply turn a light on or off to alert your dog. Once he/she has made eye contact, follow with a visual command. You may also gain your dog's attention by using vibrations, such as stomping the ground, or gentle touches to his/her back or shoulders.
- Let your dog know where you are. Some deaf dogs may become anxious if they find their owner is suddenly gone. Inform your dog when you leave or enter the house by tapping him gently on the back.
- Approach carefully. Many deaf dogs are easily startled, especially when sleeping. Wake a deaf dog without startling him/her by placing your hand in front of his/her nose and allowing him/her to smell you. Then, gently touch the dog on his/her back.
- Be prepared. Attach a bell to your dog's collar so you can hear him/her if he/she becomes lost.



PET DOG TRAINING UPGRADES
TERM 2 2016
BEGINNERS

HANDLER NAME	DOG NAME	BREED
Joanne Butler	Angie	Border Collie
Julie Hockings	Jae	Border Collie
		German Shorthaired
Vic & Kerry Riella	Boags	Pointer
Jaime Toyer	Odin	Border Collie x
Estelle Bain	Scout	Border Collie x
Lily Taylor	Bear	Border Collie
Deanne McGeachie	Bentley	Poodle
Emily Gates	Nero	Kelpie x
Darcy Jackson	Benson	Dalmation
Sheree & Doug		
Stevens	Isla	Dalmation
Andrea Coleman	Rasta	Cattle Dog
Daniel Robson	Dozer	American Staffy
Lucille Robinson	Chilli	Labrador
Meagan Carey	Riddick	Greyhound

PET DOG TRAINING UPGRADES

TERM 2 2016

INTERMEDIATE

HANDLER NAME	DOG NAME	BREED
Laura Evans	Clancy	Lab x Cattle Dog
Julie Beets	Zeus	German Shepherd
Renate Linder	Dixi	Belgian Shepherd
Bronwyn Mullins	Jethrow	Siberian Husky
Pat Fittler	Scooby	Jack Russell

CLASS 3

GRADUATES – CONGRATULATIONS !

HANDLER NAME	DOG NAME	BREED
Bronwyn Mullins	Zacc	Beagle x Kelpie
Debbie Schmidt	Furi	German Shepherd
Megan Donnelly	Whiskey	Corgi
Janette Cussons	Jax	German Shepherd

CANINE OBEDIENCE CLUB TOWNSVILLE INC
RALLY-O AND OBEDIENCE TRIAL Friday 30th April 2016
AGILITY, JUMPERS AND GAMBLERS Saturday 1 May 2016

RALLY OBEDIENCE				JUDGE : Roel Wittkamp				GAMBLERS				Judge : Barbara Murfet			
Rally Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Points	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Points	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Points
1st Q	Andrea Wohlhunter	Shelby	97	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	37	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	37	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	37
2nd	Renate Linder	Lilly	84	2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	24	2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	24	2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	24
Rally Excellent B				Excellent				Excellent				Excellent			
1st Q	Andrea Wohlhunter	Shelby	96	1st	Tricia Williams	Cue	27	1st	Tricia Williams	Cue	27	1st	Tricia Williams	Cue	27
Rally Excellent A				2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	25	2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	25	2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	25
1st Q	Julie Doig	Zoe	90	3rd	Andrea Wohlhunter	Shelby	24	3rd	Andrea Wohlhunter	Shelby	24	3rd	Andrea Wohlhunter	Shelby	24
2nd	Kirsten Nilsom	Duke	78	Novice				Novice				Novice			
3rd	Andrea Wohlhunter	Luna	50	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	V	26	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	V	26	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	V	26
Rally Advanced B	No entries			2nd	Erin Elliott	Bella	23	2nd	Erin Elliott	Bella	23	2nd	Erin Elliott	Bella	23
Rally Advanced A	No entries			3rd	Cathryn Pentland	Pie	15	3rd	Cathryn Pentland	Pie	15	3rd	Cathryn Pentland	Pie	15
Rally Novice				AGILITY				AGILITY				AGILITY			
1st Q	Linda King	Red	86	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time
2nd	Bridget Brown	Belle	59	1st	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	63.66	1st	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	63.66	1st	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	63.66
OBEDIENCE				Excellent	No qualifiers			Excellent	No qualifiers			Excellent	No qualifiers		
Judge : Barbara Murfet				Open	No qualifiers			Open	No qualifiers			Open	No qualifiers		
Open	Name	Dog's Name	Score	Novice				Novice				Novice			
1st Q	Andrea Wohlhunter	Shelby	200	1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	30.97	1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	30.97	1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	30.97
2nd	Kirsten Nilson	Duke	74	JUMPERS				JUMPERS				JUMPERS			
CD				Masters				Masters				Masters			
1st NQ	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Rose	177	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	28.24	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	28.24	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	28.24
2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	67	2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	41.52	2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	41.52	2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	41.52
CCD				3rd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	51.78	3rd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	51.78	3rd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	51.78
1st Q	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	68	Open				Open				Open			
2nd Q	Bridget Brown	Belle	56	1st Q	Tricia Williams	Chilli	21.34	1st Q	Tricia Williams	Chilli	21.34	1st Q	Tricia Williams	Chilli	21.34
				2nd	Judy Forbes-Faulker	Rose	30.62	2nd	Judy Forbes-Faulker	Rose	30.62	2nd	Judy Forbes-Faulker	Rose	30.62
				Excellent	No qualifiers			Excellent	No qualifiers			Excellent	No qualifiers		
				Novice				Novice				Novice			
				1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	V	16.28	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	V	16.28	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	V	16.28

**DOUBLE OBEDIENCE, RALLY-O AND AGILITY TRIAL
FRIDAY 13TH MAY AND SATURDAY 14TH MAY 2016**

RALLY OBEDIENCE FRIDAY 13TH MAY TRIAL 1				Rally Obedience, Strategic Paris, Agility and Jumpers Trial 2			
JUDGE : Heidi Christoffel				RALLY OBED Judge : Heidi Christoffel			
Rally Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time	Rally Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Points
1st	Meade Oswald	Caesar	71	No entries			
2nd	Renate Linder	Lilly	36	Rally Ex B			
Rally Excellent B				1st	Meade Oswald	Caesar	96
1st Q	Meade Oswald	Caesar	95	2nd	Meade Oswald	Amber	74
2nd	Meade Oswald	Amber	49	Rally Ex A	No entries		
Rally Excellent A				Rally Ad B			
1st	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	68	1st Q	Meade Oswald	Caesar	100
Rally Advanced B				2nd Q	Meade Oswald	Amber	92
1st Q	Meade Oswald	Caesar	83	Rally Ad A	No qualifiers		
Rally Advanced A	No entries			Rally Novice	No entries		
Rally Novice	No entries			OBEDIENCE	Judge : Mal Holland		
OBEDIENCE	FRIDAY 13TH MAY	TRIAL 1		CDX	Name	Dog's Name	Score
Judge : Judy Forbes-Faulkner				1st Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	195
UD	Name	Dog's Name	Score	2nd	Meade Oswald	Caesar	160
1st	Silke Weyland	Aska	163	CD			
Open				1st	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	167
1st NQ	Silke Weyland	Aska	173	CCD			
2nd NQ	Meade Oswald	Caesar	170	1st	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	89
3rd	Renate Linder	Lilly	169	STRATEGIC PAIRS	Judge : Roel Wittkamp		
CD				Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time
1st Q	Deb Kampaklis	Maggie	188	1st Q	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	53.72
2nd Q	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	180	1st Q	Katrina Stoenstreet	Soda	53.72
3rd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	117	Excellent	No entries		
CCD				Novice			
1st	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	79	1st Q	Renate Linder	Lilly	84.88
2nd	Julie Doig	Zoe	76	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	V	84.88
AGILITY JUMPERS AND GAMBLERS TRIAL 1 SATURDAY MAY 14TH				AGILITY	Judge : Roel Wittkamp		
GAMBLERS	Judge : Judy Forbes-Faulkner			Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time
Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Points	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	46.66
1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	63	2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	71.9
2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	11	Excellent	No qualifiers		
Excellent				1st	Renate Linder	Lilly	104.82
1st	Pauline Carlton	Dixie	46	Novice			
2nd	Hannah Driemel	Cady	27	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	V	31.95
Novice				JUMPERS	Judge : Judy Forbes-Faulkner		
1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	V	42	Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time
2nd Q	Leisa Cassidy	Sully	41	1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	31.53
3rd Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	20	2nd Q	Hannah Driemel	Cady	35.46
4th Q	Erin Elliott	Bella	20	Excellent			
AGILITY	Name	Dog's Name	Time	1st	Deb Kampaklis	Maggie	52.37
Masters	No qualifiers			Open			
Excellent	No qualifiers			1st Q	Katrina Stonestreet	Soda	24.52
Open				2nd Q	Hannah Driemel	Cady	32.49
1st Q	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	58.21	3rd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	38.72
Novice				Novice			
1st	Erin Elliott	Bella	48	1st	Katrina Stonestreet	V	22.25
JUMPERS	Judge : Roel Wittkamp			2nd	Erin Elliott	Bella	24.13
Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time	3rd	Silke Weyland	Aska	17.61
1st Q	Hannah Driemel	Cady	40.24				
2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	50.66				
Open							
1st	Renate Linder	Lilly	52.28				
2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	72.6				
Excellent	No qualifiers						
Novice							
1st	Katrina Stonestreet	V	16.81				
2nd	Meade Oswald	Caesar	17.85				
3rd	Erin Elliott	Bella	35.38				







CANINE OBEDIENCE CLUB OF TOWNSVILLE INC

2016 OBEDIENCE AND AGILITY TRIAL CALENDAR

ENTERING TRIALS

Preferred method of entry for trials is through K9 Entries.

Click here to read how to do so <https://www.k9entries.com/using.php>

Open Agility offered on all trials

DATE	TIME	TRIAL	JUDGE
Friday 1 April 2016	7.00pm	Obedience Rally O	Cathy O'Shea Roel Wittkamp
Saturday 2 April 2016	3.00pm	Agility & Jumpers all levels	Roel Wittkamp
	7.00pm	Obedience	Cathy O'Shea
	7.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Strategic Pairs - all levels Agility, Jumpers	Heather Northover Roel Wittkamp
Friday 15 April 2016	7.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Snooker - All levels	Judy Forbes-Faulkner
Saturday 16 April 2016	7.00pm	Obedience (Judges Training) Obedience (Judges Training) Rally O	Bob Bruce UDX UD CDX Tricia Williams CD CCD Judy Forbes Faulkner
Friday 29 April 2016	7.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Gamblers - All levels	Barbara Murfet
Saturday 30th April 2016	7.00pm	Obedience (Judges Training) Obedience (Judges Training) Rally O	Barbara Murfet UDX UD CDX Tricia Williams CD CCD Brabara Murfet
Friday 13 May 2016	7.00pm	Obedience Rally O	Judy Forbes-Faulkner Heidi Christoffel
Saturday 14 May 2016	1.30pm	Agility, Jumpers, Snooker - all levels	Judy Forbes-Faulkner
	5:00 PM	Rally O	Heidi Christoffel
	7.00pm	Obedience Agility, Jumpers, Strategic Pairs - all levels	Mal Holland Roel Wittkamp
Monday 4th July 2016 Show Day	2.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Gamblers - all levels	Judy Forbes-Faulkner
	7.00pm	Obedience Rally O	Judy Forbes-Faulkner Judy Forbes-Faulkner
Friday 15 July 2016	7.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Snooker - all levels	Roel Wittkamp
Saturday 16 July 2016	7.00pm	Obedience (Judges Training) Rally O	Roel Wittkamp Roel Wittkamp
Friday 29 July 2015	7.00pm	Obedience	Coral Pethers
Saturday 30th July 2015	1.30pm	Agility, Jumpers, all levels Gamblers, all levels	Brian Platts Roel Wittkamp
	5:00pm	Rally O	Coral Pethers
	7.00pm	Obedience	Coral Pethers
	7.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, all levels Strategic Pairs, all levels	Michael Cowman Roel Wittkamp

DATE	TIME	TRIAL	JUDGE
Friday 26 August 2015	7.00pm	Obedience Rally O	Keith Millington Kathleen Millington
Saturday 27 August 2015	2.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Snooker - all levels	Keith Millington
	7.00pm	Obedience Agility, Jumpers, Strategic Pairs - all levels	Kathleen Millington Tim Fairchild
Friday 23 September 2016	7.00pm	Obedience Rally O	Barbara Murfet Barbara Murfet
Saturday 24 September 2015	3.00pm	Agility, Jumpers - all levels	Jody Brown
	7.00pm	Obedience	Barbara Murfet
	7.00pm	Agility, Jumpers, Strategic Pairs - all levels	Eddie Szmelter

Why Title A Dog?

Not just a brag, not just a stepping stone to a higher title, not just an adjunct to competitive scores, a title is a tribute to the dog that bears it, a way to honor the dog, an ultimate memorial. It will remain in the record and in memory for as long as anything in this world can remain. Few humans will do as well or better in that regard.

And though the dog itself doesn't know or care that its achievements have been noted, a title says many things in the world of humans, where such things count.

A title says your dog was intelligent and adaptable, and good-natured. It says that your dog loved you enough to do things that please you, however crazy they may have sometimes seemed.

And a title says that you loved your dog, that you loved to spend time with it because it was a good dog, that you believed in it enough to give it yet another chance when it failed, and that, in the end, your faith was justified.

-Sandra Mowery

CANINE OBEDIENCE CLUB OF TOWNSVILLE INC 2016 TRACK & SEARCH AND TRACKING TRIAL CALENDAR

COST : \$15 per entry + \$5 Brekky each day

Entries close 14 days prior to trial

NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Contact Trial Secretary Judy Forbes-Faulkner for further information

Ph 07 4772 5982 or Mobile 0427 725 982

NOTES FOR COMPETITORS

Fields restricted to 8 per trial

Handlers restricted to no more than 1 entry in a trial unless less than 8 entries

Ballot to be held if more than 8 entries per day

Entry fees refunded to balloted dogs

All trials - vetting 6.00am, start 6.30am

Date	Trial	Judge	Location
Saturday 9 April 2016	Track and Search	Roel Wittkamp	Verbeena Court, Annandale
Sunday 10 April 2016	Tracking	Rosemary Lahz	Black River Rd, Alice River
Sunday 10 April 2016	Tracking	Roel Wittkamp	Black River Rd, Alice River
Saturday 7 May 2016	Track and Search	Deb Lamprecht	Verbeena Court, Annandale
Sunday 8 May 2016	Tracking	Deb Lamprecht	Black River Rd, Alice River
Saturday 11 June 2016	Track and Search	Mal Holland	Verbeena Court, Annandale
Sunday 12 June 2016	Tracking	Grant Glover	Black River Rd, Alice River
Sunday 12 June 2016	Tracking	Mal Holland	Black River Rd, Alice River
Saturday 9 July 2016	Track and Search	Annette Dobson	Verbeena Court, Annandale
Sunday 10 July 2016	Tracking	Annette Dobson	Black River Rd, Alice River



THE FUNNY PAGE

The Neighbour's Barking Dog

Two neighbours, the Smith's & the Jones', haven't been getting along. You see, Mr. Smith leaves his dog outside all day and the dog never stops barking.

Finally, after not being able to hear himself think, Mr. Jones tells his wife: "I'VE HAD IT!" and he stomps outside.

Upon returning Mrs. Jones says: "I can still hear the dog barking. What have you been doing?" to which her husband replies:

"I put their dog in our back yard. Let's see how they like it!"



After a talking sheepdog gets all the sheep in the pen, he reports back to the farmer: "All 40 accounted for."

"But I only have 38 sheep," says the farmer.

"I know," says the sheepdog. "But I rounded them up."

**WE AIN'T LIKELY TO
SEE SNOW UP HERE ...**



BUT IT SURE LOOKS LIKE FUN !!

THE END