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Front Cover : Linda King's Toy Poodle 'Red' sailing through the tyre jump

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or committee members of the COCT Inc.**

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

Club Web Site: www.coct.com.au



Canine Obedience Club of Townsville Inc



Canine Obedience Club Townsville Inc President's 2017-2018 AGM Report

A year in the dog world can be a long time and then again it often seems to be a very short time, it all depends where we/you all have fitted and what each of us have contributed during 2018.

I wish to thank all COCT Office Bearers, Committee Members, Instructors, Stewards and food providers, including every person that has helped the club in any way during 2018. To detail each person's assistance and time they have given would be a major task, suffice to say that without each of you we could not have managed to continue to run the club in the efficient manner it has been during the year 2018. Again, "THANKYOU MEMBERS" of COCT.

For so many of you to step up each year, again and again is a big ask, however without your continued efforts we would not have the great little club we currently have.

There have been few changes during 2018, unlike the coming year when the ANKC (and Dogs Qld) will introduce quite a few new chapters to our dog world, hopefully all for the better. We should not be afraid of change as it's the way of the world, even within our own club things will change. I believe that new ideas and proposals are a healthy thing, provided they are discussed, dissected and implemented only if the members decide it is in the Club's best interests and then in a well-organized manner.

The challenges for COCT during 2019 will be many and the duties for each of us will not be any lighter. To this end we all need to ensure we put our best foot forward and endeavour to do what is in the better interest for the club, any help is better than "NO" help.

Mal Holland
President COCT Inc

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Your Club Membership allows you to not only attend weekly classes, but to also participate in activities, competitions, and meetings throughout the year.

- 🐾 Receive emails on upcoming club activities eg Obedience, Rally Obedience and Tracking Workshops
- 🐾 Participate in Club demonstrations eg RSPCA Million Paws Walk and Townsville City Council Pet Expo
- 🐾 Attend our Monthly General Meetings held the first Monday of each month (except January), and are entitled to vote
- 🐾 Receive notification via email of Annual General Meeting held in August
- 🐾 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 of the Club for a minimum of three months before nominating for a position.
- 🐾 Eligible for annual Title and Perpetual Trophies if competing in trials.

Membership are due for renewal by 30 June each year to continue training and attend club events. Lapsed members will have their names removed from the Club's email list and until renewed can no longer attend classes.

All members are welcome to come along to Obedience, Agility and Tracking Trials to observe or offer assistance with setting up, Stewarding and help in the kitchen. It's a great introduction to the world of trialling and getting to know us better!

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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>

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.

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, long leads, and treat bags

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.

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 want advice on, 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!

Frisbee Training !!

Second Monday of the month at 6:30pm with sign in at 6:15pm.

Financial COCT Members or Registered Handlers can have a trial night for just a \$5 training fee. To continue you will need to become a TOADS member. Dog sport approved discs for sale on any training night at the club house.



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 2017 from the 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'?

THURSDAY NIGHT OBEDIENCE TRAINING

General Obedience and Rally-O practice will recommence from Thursday 1 February 2018 (weather permitting) from 6.30pm at no charge to Members. To make the night all the more enjoyable everyone is expected to help assist in the set up or packing up of equipment.

2018 OBEDIENCE, AGILITY and TRACKING TRIALS

The COCT Inc 2018 trialling season has finished 😊 and as the year draws to a close it is time to start preparing for the issue of Title Trophies. If you are financial club member at the time of winning a Title you are entitled to Trophy. Complete the Application Form on Page 13 and return by the due date.

The 2019 season starts in April with a double trial, all the details will be available soon once the trial schedule has been finalised.

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 10 September 2018** followed by **Monday 8 October 2018**. We would love to see you there! If you would like to help in any way, no matter how small, it would be very much appreciated.

2018 CHRISTMAS BREAKUP / TROPHY PRESENTATIONS

Yes, like it or not we are getting closer to Christmas! Our Breakup and Trophy Presentation night will be on Saturday 15th December 2018 at the Kirwan Sports Club on Bamford Lane. It will be a great night with heaps of good food, company, trivia quiz, Christmas Hamper Raffle (donations to the hamper gratefully received!), lucky door prizes and of course Title and Perpetual Trophy presentations. Menu and pricing will be available in the November-December 218 magazine, so mark that date in your Calendar so you don't miss out!



Training Report August 2018

Intake 3 for 2018 is well underway with 3 Beginners classes, 1 Intermediate and 1 Advanced class. Mild evenings are very welcome and the classes are brimmingly full, so all ahead for Intake 3 under the care of the Instructor team of Julie, Joy, Judy and Lisa with Deb still doing Training Renate backing up and helping out Carolyn putting the beautiful Moxie through Beginners and Jens waiting in the wings to fill in for absences. Thanks for the effort from all of you and hope you can all continue into the 2018/2019 year ahead.

Enrolments for the October Intake 4 were halted back at the start of Intake 3. There will be many unhappy dog/ pup owners in the weeks ahead, and it is really hard knowing they need help to get started on the right foot and that we just do not have the volunteer numbers to cope with even a small percentage of the need. So as per every report I have lodged over the last couple of years, any of you past handlers out there who have worked your way up to class 4 with the Club and can spare/ give up your Tuesday evenings to help other new handlers with the same problems that you had way back when your companion needed work, then please make yourself known to myself or any one of the Instructor team, and we can gladly bring you in to assist running the classes and learning how to deal with a class of dog/ guardian teams in the future, and be a positive role model for dog lovers in Townsville.

Good luck to all the outgoing and incoming committee members from the AGM and get ready to start losing those jumpers and long duds.

See you all in the paddock for the many hot barmy evenings ahead.

Noel McPherson,
Training coordinator.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING : 6 AUGUST 2018

AROUND THE TRACKS – TRACKING OFFICER REPORT

Well July sees another successful year of Townsville tracking nearly done & dusted!

It's been another busy year once again with Debbie Schmidt heavily involved in her first year of Track & Search judges training, while Carolyn Lynn & I hope to enter the training scheme for the upcoming 2019 season, so the core training team (Mal Holland, Carolyn Lynn, Debbie Schmidt, Julie Doig & myself) has continued working on expanding our education on all things scent related throughout the year including our attendance at several scent works workshops etc, as well as helping out at the stewarding course run by Debbie earlier in the year. This saw both last year's beginners & a couple of new perspective beginners out in the paddock learning some of the intricacies of setting competition tracks.

In November 2017, Mal also presented a beginner's workshop for our northern friends at the Cairns City Kennel Club, to encourage & assist in the re-establishment of their own tracking group pending the running of their first trail in some years on newly sourced grounds. This workshop saw our own trial fields swell with an influx of new out of town competitors entering their first trials. However, thanks to the commitment & enthusiasm of our core team of helpers & supporters we've managed to maintain the standard & camaraderie of our trials. Many thanks to the team for all of your help & support throughout the year.

Unfortunately, the planned pre-season Mock Trial/Workshop had to be cancelled due to the much-needed February rain, we may look into planning another in the future. Despite that rain, this has been another trying year grounds wise due to the ongoing drought with the paddocks either quite overgrown due to destocking or very short & dry. Finding suitable areas to run all of the handler teams has been extremely challenging, everyone rotates through the worst/best paddocks and there have been times we've reluctantly advised people not to run given our available areas & the size/age of their dogs. People who then choose to enter against that advice obviously do so at their own risk. We are very lucky to have the ongoing support of our wonderful property owners Geoff & Vicki Toomby.

Debbie ran an extremely well-presented introduction to stewarding workshop over several weeks at the beginning of the year, it was well attended & we hope to build on that as the upcoming year progresses. As we didn't run a Beginner's Course earlier this year due to the Stewarding Course, Debbie, Carolyn & I plan on running a Beginner's Workshop later in the year, time permitting. This will be run as a 2 day workshop similar to that run by Mal for the Cairns club, not a 5 week course (we will no longer be offering those due to our other commitments) - working spots will be allocated with first option being given to those beginners who took part in the stewarding & have helped with trials throughout the year & the balance being offered on a first come basis. Content/pricing is yet to be finalized. Unfortunately, with the uncertainty over the pending rule changes, particularly Track & Search, we are unable to make the required changes to our current trial preparation at this time so we will be running TSD/Tracking over the same weekend for the bulk of our trials in the coming year, will probably continue to require 2 judges for each discipline/trial (can't see a more economical solution at present unfortunately) & still need to pre-set tracks for our judges wherever possible, many tracks may have to be set either the weekend or the Saturday immediately before trials as we cannot keep utilizing all of our annual leave for trial preparation, this also means out of town competitors will have to arrive early enough to make themselves available to assist with track setting & trial preparation as required (a standard requirement for every other tracking club).

But what a great season of tracking we've had!! Several trials saw us with multiple entries of high level tracks so, with Dogs' Queensland approval we ran a couple of trials across multiple days so we could fit all of the entries without having to ballot, it also meant we could run the TSD night tracks on Friday evenings, cutting down the workload for Saturday.

April 2018 saw the following results:-

1. TSD – 6 entries (3 quals & 1 Title)
 1. Debbie Schmidt & Furi (GSD) – TSD1, Pass (judge Heidi Christoffel)
 2. Heather Northover & Zeus (Rhodesian ridgeback) – TSD1, 'Good' (judge Mal Holland)
 3. Silke Weyland & Aska (Belgian Malinois) – TSD2, Pass (judge Mal Holland)
 4. Helen Lofthouse (Gympie) & Nina (Labrador) – TSD3 (TSD Title), Pass (judge Mal Holland)
2. Tracking – 12 entries, 5 quals & 6 titles
 1. Heidi Christoffel & Mika (GSD) – T1, Pass (judge Carolyn Lynn)
 2. Jinni Casson (Cairns) & Jon (Golden Retriever) – T1, Good (judge Carolyn Lynn)
 3. Annette Woolley (Cairns) & Ace (GSD) – T1, Excellent (judge Carolyn Lynn)
 4. Julie Combridge & Tara (GSD) – T3 (TD Title), Very Good (judge Carolyn Lynn)
 5. Janette Cussons & Jax (GSD) – T8 (T. Ch Title), Good (judge Carolyn Lynn)
 6. Simon Lofthouse (Gympie) & Wilbur (Labrador) – T8 (T Ch title), Good (judge Carolyn Lynn)
 7. Marilyn McKee (Cairns) & Ollie (Miniature poodle) – T3 (TD Title), Excellent (Judge Kim Dawson)
 8. Jens Didriksen & Zelic (Rottweiler) – T3 (TD Title), 'Good' (judge Kim Dawson)
 9. Greg Chapman & Zara (GSP) – T4, 'Good' (judge Kim Dawson)
 10. Tanya Hill & Isa (Doberman) – T5, Pass (judge Kim Dawson)
 11. Julie Doig & Zoe (Staffordshire Bull Terrier) – T8 (T Ch Title), 'Very Good' (Kim Dawson)

May 2018 was a quieter affair with results as follows:-

1. TSD – 6 entries, 2 quals
 1. Debbie Schmidt & Furi (GSD) – TSD2, 'Very Good' (judge Mal Holland)
 2. Heather Northover & Zeus (Rhodesian Ridgeback) – TSD2, 'Pass' (judge Mal Holland)
2. Tracking - 7 entries, 3 quals
 1. Heidi Christoffel & Mika (GSD) – T2, 'Good' (judge Debbie Schmidt)
 2. Annette Woolley & Ace (GSD) – T2, 'Good' (judge Debbie Schmidt)
 3. Jens Didriksen & Zelic (Rottweiler) – T4, 'Pass', (judge Janette Cussons)

June was another quiet trial, results as follows:-

1. TSD – 6 entries (1 withdrawal, 1 qual)
 1. Carolyn Lynn & Kelly (Australian Kelpie) – TSD5, 'Excellent' (judge Roel Wittkamp)
2. Tracking – 6 entries, 1 qual & 2 Titles
 2. Heidi Christoffel & Mika (GSD) - T3 (Tracking Dog Title), 'Very Good' (judge Roel Wittkamp)
 3. Annette Woolley & Ace (GSD) – T3 (Tracking Dog Title), 'Excellent' (judge Roel Wittkamp)
 4. Lisa Sinclair & Coffee Crème (Border Collie) – T2, 'Very Good' (judge Debbie Schmidt)

July 2018 - another big entry for our last trial of the season, results as follows:-

1. TSD – 6 entries, 3 quals
 1. Debbie Schmidt & Furi (GSD) – TSD4, "Very Good", (judge Debby Lamprecht)
 2. Janette Cussons & Jax (GSD) – TSD1, 'Very Good', (judge Heidi Christoffel)
 3. Silke Wyland & Aska (Belgian Malinois) – TSD3 (Track & Search Dog Title), 'Excellent' (judge Heidi Christoffel)
2. Tracking – 10 entries, 3 quals & 1 Titles
 1. Lisa Sinclair & Coffee Crème (Border Collie) – T3 (Tracking Dog Title), 'Very Good' (judge Debby Lamprecht)
 2. Julie Doig & Gus (Collie – Smooth) – T1, 'Very Good' (judge Janette Cussons)
 3. Kevin Rogan & Kashi (Dutch Shepherd) – T2, 'Pass' (judge Janette Cussons)
 4. Jinni Casson & Jon (Golden Retriever) – T2, 'Good' (judge Janette Cussons)
 5. Greg Chapman & Zara (GSP) – T5, 'Pass' (judge Janette Cussons)

All in all the year saw 11 TSD quals which included 2 titles & 21 tracking quals which included 9 titles (3 Tracking Champions & 6xTracking Dog) . Congratulations to everyone who achieved quals/titles & best of luck next year Julie & Kev Doig & Laurie, Sheila & Eddie Fielder once again provided the competitors/workers with a great breakfast after each tracking trial while Dawn Holland & Renate Linder once again also provided wonderfully for the Track & Search competitors at each trial with Mal & Dawn Holland. Many thanks to Julie, Sheila, Dawn & Renate. We now have 4 local handlers competing at TSD level & we still have several teams bordering on Tracking Dog Excellent/Championship & hope to encourage some new local triallers to swell the ranks, along with our visitors from out of town so next year may start more slowly & build – but who knows what the pending rule changes will bring, there's a very real possibility of us having to cater to an open TSD field with many more entrants if the two disciplines are separated, it's extremely difficult to plan for or judge at this point.

In order for our sport to continue to flourish it's important that as our experienced triallers move on to the higher levels of urban Track & Search, they continue to maintain their commitment to & assistance with bush tracking. This year has seen an increase of out of town entries & handlers with multiple dog entries & while with the awesome & much appreciated help of our local obedience supporters/competitors & their families, & by the girls & I utilizing our annual leave to allow us to pre-set/map tracks weekdays prior to trials, we've been able to accommodate everybody/all dogs this year (we've even called on our overseas members to help out as tracklayers during their holidays), however this cannot continue – handlers must be prepared to assist (arriving early enough to do so) with track setting, laying of tracks & bring a helper wherever possible, especially if entering multiple dogs or we will be forced to start balloting tracks – not something we are keen to do as we like to encourage all to participate in our great sport

This year has been another exceedingly busy one, with continuing commitments to the judges training program – I'd like to personally thank all who have helped out, particularly Debbie, Carolyn & Julie Doig who has assisted with all levels of the training program from start to finish. Our small group of core competitors & helpers – Julie, Greg & Jens who never fail to put their hand up wherever needed.

A huge thanks to all our helpers be they judges, stewards, tracklayers etc. In thanking all of our helpers during the year, I'd like to extend my personal thanks to all of our non-tracking helpers during the year particularly those who have come out to act as tracklayers for the competitors, namely, Debbie's partner Dave, Craig Northover, Louise Ashworth (she'll never tell me when she's visiting again!) & her NZ friend, Peter Alexander, Rod Standen & Luis Freitas. Remember, it's difficult & a big ask to get people (usually family/friends) to leave their warm bed in the early hours to sit out in the cold in the hope of being 'found' by a dog so please don't forget to show your appreciation of their efforts during the trials!

And a special thanks to Mal & Dawn Holland for their ongoing advice, support & encouragement throughout the year, without which I wouldn't manage.

I close by wishing you all well in your trialling endeavours for the upcoming year.

Janette Cussons

Tracking Coordinator 2017-2018

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DEMONSTRATION & PUBLICITY REPORT 2017 - 2018

DEMONSTRATIONS

The Club participated in four events this year where we were able to chat to many people interested in Pet Dog Training and letting them know all the activities we offer.

DEFENCE FORCE FAIR

The Club was invited by Major Steve Trewin, of the Defence Community Organisation North Queensland to attend the Defence Force's Community Fair at Jezzine Barracks on Friday 11th August which commenced at 5.00pm. Noel and Jens represented the Club with our stall and display promoting the COCT to Defence staff who had been relocated to Townsville. The event was a great success with large numbers of families attending and chatting to more than 70 stall holders showcasing what is available in the region. Noel and Jens spoke to many dog lovers and handed out flyers and enrolment forms to those keen to become involved.

Lighting was a big issue, and one that will be hard to overcome especially considering many of the displays such as ours were under a Gazebo. If better lighting is undertaken it is a great event to support and look forward to next year.

TOOMBY'S COUNTY AND MUSIC LIFESTYLE CAMPING EVENT

The Club has been fortunate to use the Toomby's property for tracking trials for a number of years, so when asked if the Tracking Group could put on a tracking display at their Country and Music Lifestyle Camping event on Sunday 13 August 2017 it was a great opportunity for the Club to help support the Toomby's as a small way of thanks.

Tracking members conducted demonstrations on training for article indication followed up with a couple of short tracking demonstrations and putting that training into use.

Julie Doig and her Staffordshire Bull Terrier Zoe showed the crowd how to indicate on an article and then finding Julie Combridge, while Carolyn Lynn and her Kelpie Kelly did a speedy track through the bush. The finished with Mal Holland bringing his Tracking Champion Holly out of retirement to demonstrate the obedience exercises of the seek back and article scent discrimination.

RSPCA MILLION PAWS WALK

This year's RSPCA MPW was staged under the lovely shade trees at Riverway on Sunday 20 May, with an early start at 6.00am for Noel, myself, Deb and her husband Glen to set up our display. It was a beautiful day but unfortunately due to the problems between the Townsville RSPCA and Townsville City Council, many stall holders who normally supported the event were absent with only half a dozen or so there. It was also reflected in the reduced number of people and their dogs who participated in the Walk which was a shame. But, the ones that did attend had a great time with dogs of all sizes, ages, and breeds stepping out for the Walk.

The Walk was a loop from the end of the Lagoon at Riverway Parade, down to Ross River Road, up to the intersection of Hervey's Range Road, left on to Riverway Drive and back to Riverway Parade. The timing was unfortunate as it coincided with the Cure for Cancer convoy with about 100 semi-trailers and trucks driving down Ross River Road with horns honking and blaring just as the Walkers headed that way!

While numbers were down on previous years our Club was still able to chat to a number of people and provide advice on Pet Dog Training, responsible pet ownership, and all the other activities we provide. Thanks again to Noel, Deb and Greg Fazel, Emma Eriksen and Lisa Sinclair for helping out, it was a great way to spend a lovely Sunday morning.

TOWNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL PET EXPO

The Pet Expo keeps getting bigger and better, and this year thousands of people turned out to watch obedience, agility, prison dog and Hounds for Health demos and view 90+ exhibitors at Jezzine Barracks. Hundreds of dogs accompanied their owners to enjoy the day, and even two kittens, a guinea pig, and a bearded dragon and blue tongue lizard were spotted.

Our Club was there and we had two obedience demos in the centre ring, with various members showing the public the different levels of training they are at from newly graduated to trialling standard. The group recall with the dogs sitting in a circle facing outwards to their owners was a bit of controlled chaos and great hit with the audience! The Rally-Obedience demo was also popular. All credit to the club members and their dogs who worked well considering the noise, sight, and smells of hundreds of people crowding round the arena to watch.

Some of the highlights included the Hug a Pug tent, Greyhound Adoptions, Prison Dog display, and Agility demo by TOADS. Everyone loved the Small Paws Dash with dozens of Dachshunds running as fast as their tiny legs could propel them from one end of the ring to the other.

Huge thanks to Noel, Judy and Deb for helping to set up in the morning, and everyone else who came and helped with the many enquiries we fielded and participated in the demo – Renate, Linda, Lucille, Joy, Deb, Penny, Bronwyn, Judy.

PUBLICITY

Website

Our website has all the info for new handlers wanting to train their dogs with class dates, cost and the forms needed to register. It has issues of the Club's magazines going back to 2009, a photo gallery, Hall of Fame for our Champions (need some stories to go with the pictures for some of our latest Champions!), and everything to do on trialling.

Facebook

Our Facebook page has been up and running since May 2013 and is steadily growing with the number of 'likes' now numbering 571, up from 517 this time last year. It's an easy and quick way of letting people know of upcoming events or training night cancellations (should it ever rain again!).

Fliers

The club's fliers are still current from their facelift last year and were handed out during the four demos the Club attended and Noel dropped off extras to some of the vet clinics that needed restocking.

Magazine

As editor of the Companion Dog Magazine there are feature stories on tracking and obedience trials to encourage club members to become more involved in the trialling world, as well as general interest stories. Thanks to everyone who provided articles or photos over the last 12 months, it contributes to make every edition a great read.

Particular thanks to Janette Cussons for her excellent reports on the Tracking and Track & Search trials, and Debbie Schmidt for the accompanying photos. I am sure those stories and photos have encouraged new handlers to register for Janette's Tracking Workshops and boost trial entries. Linda King and myself co-wrote the Obedience and Agility trial report to accompany the results provided by Judy and the photos taken by myself.

And last but not least, word of mouth is the easiest and best way of promoting the Club and its activities, and it's something we can all do.

Diane MacIntyre

Demonstration & Publicity Officer 2017-2018

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TROPHY OFFICER REPORT 2017-2018

TRIAL PRIZES

With the Club relinquishing its role as a Judge's Training Club to Cairns in 2017 the number of trials for 2018 were consolidated and reduced to 5 doubles for the year. It was also agreed that trial prizes would consist of dog treats and toys, chocolates, and the free trial entry vouchers – two awarded for 1st Place, one for 2nd Place - which are the equivalent to the cost of one entry. Dog or household items were occasionally included for a bit of extra variety if I found something that was a good price and couldn't resist buying. Special thanks for Debbie Schmidt and her plaiting skills in making up the tug toys, some plain, some with toys attached. They have proven to be a popular prize.

With everything increasing in cost there is always the challenge of finding a variety of different and useful items and still stay within the budget for first, second and third place for Obedience, Rally-O, Agility/Jumpers and Agility Games so advantage is taken of sales from various local and online pet stores where I can stock up the prize cupboard.

Tracking ribbons were purchased from Australian Show Ribbons in Warwick and as in previous years their customer service is second to none.

TITLE AND PERPETUAL TROPHIES

A range of wine and drinking glasses, coffee mugs and stubby coolers were available for competitors to select for their 2017 Title Trophies.

Seven Title Trophies were awarded for Obedience; ten for Rally-O; six for Agility/Jumpers/Agility Games; six for Tracking; four for Track & Search, and one for Endurance. Numbers were up from last year, especially in Obedience, Tracking & Track and Search.

Glasses and coffee mugs were engraved by NQ Plaques and Trophies, although no one chose the stubby coolers that year. Title Patches were awarded with each Title Trophy, and were made by Unique Embroidery.

Of the 23 Perpetual Trophies, 19 were awarded at our 2017 Christmas Breakup and Presentation night, five more than in 2016 - eight in Obedience, four Rally-O, one each for Tracking and Track and Search, two Agility and three Jumpers.

2017 was a record for the Club with the greatest number of Championship Titles ever awarded. Renate Linder and Lily gained their Rally-O Championship, Debbie Schmidt with Furi and Heather Northover with Zeus their Tracking Championship, and Tanya Hill with her Doberman 'Renoir' with their first Track & Search Championship. Portrait photos of each dog supplied by the owners were professionally framed by Top Frames and awarded at our breakup last year.

Wonderful to see the increase in Title, Perpetual and Championships awarded in 2017, let's hope that trend continues for 2018.

JUDGES GIFTS

\$40 Coles/Myer gift cards were presented to our hard-working Judge's again this year, giving them a wide range of stores on where they can be used.

Diane MacIntyre
Trophy Officer 2017-2018



2018 TITLE TROPHIES

The end of the 2018 trialling season is nigh, and it's time for me to start working on end of year Title and Trophy awards. To apply for a Title Trophy, you need to be a financial Club member at the time of gaining the title.

Title Trophies

There are several different types of glasses on offer as per list below. Glasses can be viewed in the display case in the clubhouse. Each one has a reference number against it. Some glasses have a limited number left, quantity shown after glass description. Some I can purchase more of, others are no longer available.

Glass No.	Style	Glass No.	Style	Glass No.	Style
1.	Flute (1)	8.	High ball drinking (10)	15.	Pilsner (15)
2.	Flute (2)	9.	Tall beer glass (7)	16.	White Wine (5)
3.	Flute (7)	10.	Old fashioned scotch (9)	17.	Red wine (1)
4.	White wine (4)	11.	Old fashioned scotch (10)	18.	Red Wine (6)
5.	Old fashioned scotch (7)	12.	Flute (1)	19.	Champion Photo
6.	Red wine (1)	13.	Coffee mug – no limit		
7.	Pilsner (5)	14.	Stubby cooler – no limit		

Championship Title Winners.

1. Please provide a high quality, printed 8x10 photo of your dog, plus the complete kennel name and titles won up to the date the Championship Title was gained and I will arrange for it to be professionally framed.
2. Email the photo to me and I'll arrange for it to be displayed on the Club's Hall of Fame Honour Board.

To get a head start on the end of year rush please complete the Title Application form on the next page with your details and the reference number of the glass, and either place in the folder in the clubhouse or scan and email to me.

NOTE :- If you don't want to apply for a title trophy could you please send me your dog's achievements for the year so all your hard work and successes can be recorded and acknowledged. It will also help determine winners of the perpetual trophies.

Thank you!

Diane MacIntyre
Trophy Officer

**COCT INC TITLE APPLICATION 2018
ONE APPLICATION PER DOG PER TITLE**




You must be a financial member of COCT Inc at the time Title achieved

Place completed applications in folder marked TITLE APPLICATIONS 2018 in Clubhouse
or scan and email to Diane at dandr11@aapt.net.au by **Sunday 3 November 2018**

Your name		Phone number	
Kennel name OR Call name PLUS title/s to be engraved on glass. What you put in here is what will be engraved on the glass. See note and style examples below.			
Dog's call name			
Glass number / photo			

Note : The length of the dog's name plus the number of titles will determine the size of the text being engraved. The longer the name and titles, the smaller the text will be. You can choose from any of the examples below.

PLEASE PUT A TICK AGAINST THE TEXT FORMAT YOU WANT AGAINST ONE OF THE EXAMPLES BELOW.

RE Belgte Black Magic CCD CD RA TD AD JD SD  Renate Linder 2013	GD Moya Sunrise Poppy  Louise Ashworth 2013	ET Holly  Mal Holland 2013
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Attach copies or originals of qualification cards (which will be returned!) to this form and return to the folder in the Clubhouse.

Or

Scan and email to Diane MacIntyre dandr11@aapt.net.au

TRIAL REPORT

21-21 July and 3-4 August 2018

I would like to start by thanking everyone who made these two trials such a success. All the volunteers that helped steward and change jump heights in agility, games and jumpers, all the volunteers who helped steward in Obedience and Rally O, and Diane MacIntyre's tireless efforts in providing excellent prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd for all our competitors. Finally, but by no means least, all our members who helped make the dinners meals to remember for our visiting judges and competitors (we are the envy of many of the Southern clubs!!).

In the July weekends trials there were successes in the obedience with Silke attaining a qualification in UDX and both Joy with Chewie and myself with Pearl obtaining our titles in CCD. What a family effort as Chewie and Pearl are brother and sister!!! Rally O was also very successful with Joy getting quals with both her dogs Jazz and Chewie in novice and also Lucy getting a qual for her first-time entry with Tango.

In the evening there were successes for all the Strategic Pairs dogs both in Masters and Novice followed by numerous quals in the Agility and Jumpers by all the competitors. All in all a great weekend was had by everyone.

A fortnight later we had our fourth double trial for the year on August 3rd and 4th. On the Friday night Pat Cecil and her border collie Scorchers gained a qual in CD and Lucy Robinson with Chilli, Joy Tomes with Chewie and Lucy Joynson with Tango gained quals in novice Rally O. Lucy Robinson's qual with Chilli was especially notable as it was her first time competing with a dog and she attained a score of 92, a great team effort. On the Saturday afternoon Rally O trial Silke and Julie attained quals in Masters Rally O and then Lucy and Chilli once again got a qual and Joy Tomes and Chewie attained their Rally Novice title, great successes girls.

In the obedience trial in the evening Carolyn Lynn attained a qual with her Kelpie Kelly in novice and Pat Cecil attained Scorchers CCD title with an impressive score of 97, well done.

In the agility jumpers and games Laruen from Cairns gained quals in every event she entered including a trifecta in Masters jumpers, well done Lift, Zippy and Spritz.

In the evening trial Jennine and Echo and myself and Pearl attained our Novice pairs title. This was followed by many more quals for our Northern and Southern handlers in agility and jumpers. Well done to everyone who entered and did so well, the dogs were certainly running hot!!!!

I would like to close by once again thanking all the judges, stewards, helpers and caterers and of course competitors for making these trials such a great success.

Judy Forbes-Faulkner
Secretary COCT Inc.

OBEDIENCE AND RALLY O TRIAL
FRIDAY 20th JULY 2018

Judge	Barbara Murfet		
OBEDIENCE			
UDX	Name	Dogs Name	Score
1st Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	175
UD			
1st	Lisa Sinclair	Coffee Crème	98
2nd	Alexandria Bailey	Shadow	55

Judge	Patricia Williams		
CDX			
1st	Alexandria Bailey	Shadow	156
2nd	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	138
3rd	Julie Doig	Zoe	103
CD			
1st	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	159
2nd	Linda King	D'Arcy	97
CCD			
1st Q & Title	Joy Tomes	Chewie	97
2nd Q	Pat Cecil	Scorcher	95
3rd Q & Title	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	85

Judge	Barbara Murfet		
RALLY OBEDIENCE			
Masters			
1st Q	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	96
2nd Q	Alexandria Bailey	Shadow	95
3rd Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	92
4th Q	Lisa Sinclair	Coffee Crème	92
5th Q	Renate Linder	Dixie	89
Ex B			
1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	94
Ex A			
1st	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	71
2nd	Linda King	Red	63
Ad B			
1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	90
2nd	Annette Wooley	Eli	79
3rd	Linda King	Red	70
Ad A			
All withdrawn			
Novice			
1st Q	Lucy Joynson	Tango	93
2nd Q	Joy Tomes	Jazz	91
3rd Q	Joy Tomes	Chewie	80

AGILITY JUMPERS AND SNOOKER TRIAL 1

SATURDAY 21st JULY 2018

AGILITY	Judge : Tim Fairchild		
Masters	Name	Dogs Name	Time
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	41.8
2nd	Karen Winzar	Cleo	42.31
3rd	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	43.07
Open			
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	37.74
2nd Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	58.37
Excellent			
1st Q	Alexandria Bailey	Spryte	40.41
Novice			
1st	Jennine Kiely	Echo	43.4
2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Diesel	55.89
SNOOKER			
Masters	Name	Dogs Name	Score
1st	Lauren Moore	Lift	48
2nd	Alexandria Bailey	Shadow	47
Excellent			
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	49
2nd Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	47
3rd Q	Roel Wittkamp	Mynx	45
4th Q	Alexandria Bailey	Spryte	43
5th Q	Tricia Williams	Cue	43
6th Q	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	43
Novice			
1st Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	46
2nd Q	Deb Kampaklis	Diesel	43
3rd Q	Alexandria Bailey	Spryte	42
4th Q	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	41
5th Q	Leisa Cassidy	Sully	39
JUMPERS	Judge : Heather Northover		
Masters	Name	Dogs Name	Time
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	33.42
2nd Q	Roel Wittkamp	Mynx	38.88
3rd Q	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	39.43
4th Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	40.82
Open			
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	22.92
2nd	Lauren Moore	Zippy	29.98
Excellent			
1st	Jennine Kiely	Echo	35.88
2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Diesel	40.71
Novice	All DQ		
OBEDIENCE GAMBLERS AGILITY AND JUMPERS TRIAL 2			
OBEDIENCE	Judge : Barbara Murfett		
UDX	Name	Dogs Name	Score
1st	Silke Weyland	Aska	149
UD			
1st	Silke Weyland	Aska	142
2nd	Kirsten Nilson	Duke	6
Open			
1st	Renate Linder	Lilly	157
2nd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	85
CD			
1st	Linda King	D'Arcy	85
2nd	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	60
CCD			
1st Q	Pat Cecil	Scorcher	96
2nd Q	Joy Tomes	Chewie	86
3rd	Ann Walsh	Frost	84

OBEDIENCE GAMBLERS AGILITY AND JUMPERS

TRIAL 2 (cont)

STRATEGIC PAIRS	Judge : Heather Northover		
Masters	Name	Dogs Name	Time
1st Q	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	42.28
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Shadow	42.28
2nd Q	Tricia Williams	Cue	43.74
2nd Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	43.74
3rd Q	Jean Wilkinson	Penny	64.32
3rd Q	Karen Winzar	Cleo	64.32
4th Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	65
4th Q	Roel Wittkamp	Mynx	65
Excellent	No entries		
Novice			
1st Q	Judy Fobres-Faulkner	Pearl	59.47
1st Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	59.47
AGILITY	Judge : Heather Northover		
Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	38.93
2nd Q	Alexandria Bailey	Shadow	36.03
3rd Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	38.93
4th Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	43.25
5th Q	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	44.57
Open			
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	30
2nd	Jennine Kiely	Echo	52.97
3rd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	58.44
Excellent			
	Lucy Joynson	Dusty	53.92
Novice			
1st	Catherine Pentland	Pie	37.37
2nd	Tony Walter	Ziggy	37.95
3rd	Leisa Cassidy	Sully	45.34
JUMPERS	Judge : Tim Fairchild		
Masters	Name	Dog's Name	Time
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	30.15
2nd Q	Trish Williams	Cue	31.11
3rd Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	32.12
4th Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	32.95
5th Q	Karen Winzar	Cleo	35.35
6th Q	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	38.26
7th Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	44.07
8th Q	Alexandria Bailey	Spryte	47.13
9th Q	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	47.28
Open			
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	22.49
2nd Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	23.59
3rd Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	24.27
4th Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	36.02
5th Q	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	41.66
Excellent			
1st Q	Leisa Cassidy	Sully	33.81
2nd	Jennine Kiely	Echo	39.35
3rd	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	51.33
Novice			
1st Q	Tony Walter	Ziggy	22.75
2nd	AnnWalsh	Frost	67.66

RALLY OBEDIENCE TRIAL 2

21 July 2018

Judge : Barbara Murfet

Masters	Competitor	Dog's Name	Score
1st Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	98
2nd Q	Julie Doig	Zoe	95
3rd Q	Alexandria Bailey	Zita	91
4th Q	Renate Linder	Dixie	90
5th Q	Alexandria Bailey	Shadow	89
Ex B			
1st Q	Kirsten Nilson	Duke	99
2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	83
Ex A			
1st	Annette Wooley	Eli	63
Ad B			
1st Q	Kirsten Nilson	Duke	95
2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	83
3rd	Annette Wooley	Eli	81
Ad A			
1st	Kirsten Nilson	Zari	66
Novice			
1st Q	Joy Tomes	Jazz	92
2nd Q	Lucy Joynson	Tango	82
3rd Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	74











OBEDIENCE AND RALLY OBEDIENCE

3rd AUGUST 2018

Judge	John Baumann		
OBEDIENCE			
UDX	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score
1st	Silke Weyland	Aska	81

UD
Withdrawn

Judge	Lisa Sinclair		
CDX	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score
1st	Renate Linder	Lilly	159
2nd	Mandy Jones	Jay	132
3rd	Renate Linder	Dixie	108

CD			
1st NQ	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	171
2nd	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	131
3rd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	123
CCD			
1st Q	Pat Cecil	Scorcher	97

Judge	John Baumann		
RALLY OBEDIENCE			
Masters	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score
1st Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	96
2nd	Julie Doig	Zoe	83
3rd	Renate Linder	Dixie	71

Ex B			
1st	Natalie Spence	Trixie	58

Ex A			
1st Q	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	92

Ad B			
1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	85

Ad A
No entries

Novice			
1st Q	Lucy Robinson	Chilli	92
2nd Q	Joy Tomes	Chewie	88
3rd Q	Lucy Joynson	Tango	76

**AGILITY JUMPERS AND SNOOKER TRIAL 1 & 2
OBEDIENCE AND RALLY OBEDIENCE TRIAL 2
SATURDAY 4th AUGUST 2018**

AGILITY	Judge : Roel Wittkamp			PAIRS	Judge Sandra Walker		
Masters	Competitor	Dogs Name	Time	Masters	Competitor	Dogs Name	Time
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	50.03	1st	Jean Wilkinson	Penny	79
2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	59.38	1st	Tricia Williams	Cue	79
3rd	Lauren Moore	Spritz	50.03	2nd	Natalie Spence	Trixie	152
Open				2nd	Amber Morey	Diva	152
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	42.03	Excellent	No entries		
2nd Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	67.25	Novice			
3rd	Jennine Kiely	Echo	59.36	1st Q + T	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	62.53
Excellent	No Qualifiers			1st Q + T	Jennine Kiely	Echo	62.53
Novice	No Qualifiers						
SNOOKER				AGILITY	Judge Sandra Walker		
Masters	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score	Masters	Competitor	Dog's Name	Time
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	49	1st Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	46.58
2nd Q	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	48	2nd Q	Amber Morey	Diva	61.23
3rd	Tricia Williams	Cue	41	3rd	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	68.63
Excellent				Open			
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	51	1st Q	Natalie Spence	Trixie	66.36
2nd Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	50	Excellent			
3rd Q	Amber Morey	Diva	49	1st Q	Lucy Joynson	Dust	62.01
4th Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	48	Novice			
5th Q	Marilyn McKee	Smokie	48	1st	Tony Walter	Ziggy	39.12
Novice				2nd	Jennine Kiely	Echo	42.41
1st	Lucy Joynson		19	JUMPERS	Judge Roel Wittkamp		
2nd	Kayle James	Sky	19	Masters	Competitor	Dog's Name	Time
3rd	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	18	1st Q	Trish Williams	Cue	33.72
JUMPERS	Judge Sandra Walker			2nd Q	Kayla James	Sky	38.05
Masters	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score	3rd Q	Amber Morey	Diva	45.88
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	29.81	4th Q	Marilyn McKee	Ollie	49.75
2nd Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	30.7	Open			
3rd Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	39.43	1st Q	Lauren Moore	Lift	23.6
4th Q	Amber Morey	Diva	40.3	2nd Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	23.77
Open				3rd Q	Tricia Williams	Cue	23.96
1st Q	Lauren Moore	Zippy	22.92	4th Q	Kayla James	Sky	25.71
2nd	Tricia Williams	Cue	24	5th Q	Lauren Moore	Spritz	27.02
Excellent				6th Q	Lucy Joynson	Possie	31.08
1st	Jennine Kiely	Echo	34.58	7th Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	31.08
Novice				8th Q	Deb Kampaklis	Morphy	40.77
1st Q	Kayla James	Cody	20.69	Excellent			
TRIAL 2, 4 AUGUST 2018				1st Q	Jennine Kiely	Echo	37.24
OBEDIENCE	Judge John Baumann			2nd	Leisa Cassidy	Sully	46.67
UDX	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score	Novice			
1st	Silke Weyland	Aska	72	1st Q	Lucy Joynson	Tao	21.17
UD				2nd	Tony Walter	Nikko	58.63
1st	Silke Weyland	Aska	111	3rd	Kayla James	Cody	58.63
Open	Judge Lisa Sinclair						
	Competitor	Dogs Name	Score				
1st	Renate Linder	Dixie	161				
2nd	Mandy Jones	Jay	160				
3rd	Renate Linder	Lilly	84				
CD							
1st Q	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	177				
2nd	Sharon Daniels	Bosun	155				
3rd	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	135				
CCD							
1st Q + T	Pat Cecil	Scorcher	97				
2nd	Ann Walsh	Frost	67				

RALLY OBEDIENCE SATURDAY 4th AUGUST 2018

Judge	John Baumann		
Masters	Competitor	Dog's Name	Score
1st Q	Silke Weyland	Aska	93
2nd Q	Julie Doig	Zoe	90
3rd	Renate Linder	Dixie	78
Ex B			
1st	Natalie Spence	Trixie	70
Ex A			
1st	Judy Forbes-Faulkner	Pearl	70
2nd	Carolyn Lynn	Kelly	62
Ad B			
Entry withdrawn			
Ad A			
1st	Ann Walsh	Frost	38
Novice			
1st Q	Lucy Robinson	Chilli	95
2nd Q + T	Joy Tomes	Chewie	80











TRACKING TRIAL REPORT

July 14-15 2018



Judges: Mrs Debby Lamprecht, Brisbane, Mrs Heidi Christoffel, Mackay (TSD) &
Mrs Debby Lamprecht, Brisbane & Janette Cussons, Townsville (Tracking)

The last trial of the 2018 Townsville tracking season was a busy affair with a Powerpoint presentation of Scentwork/Nosework as a possible future ANKC sport kindly given by our visiting Judge Mrs Debby Lamprecht on Thursday evening which was very information and thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. Debby, thank you very much for finding time in an already busy schedule to keep us informed on this exciting sport and it's future development as a possible/probable ANKC sport, the presentation was followed by the trials themselves, first with 6 Track and Search Entries and 10 competitors out in the tracking paddocks.

The weekend's events kicked off Friday evening with our first TSD entry – Carolyn Lynn and Kelly (Australian Kelpie) making their first attempt at TSD6 which is a variable surface night track with a 3 hour wait period before the dog runs. Kelly was working well for most of his track, ignoring most of the neighbourhood distractions (cats/barking dogs), but came to grief on a road bend which was flanked by a wide gully – the scents from the gully proved too tempting, with Kelly unfortunately fully committing to same. I'm sure we'll see Carolyn training in and around gullies in the evenings for some time.

Saturday morning saw us all back in Annandale running the remaining TSD tracks, with Debbie Schmidt and Furi (German Shepherd Dog) running a challenging TSD4 test (at 1200mtrs, this is the longest of the TSD tracks) and gaining a 'Very Good' pass under Judge Debby Lamprecht. They were followed by our Rockhampton members Heather Northover and Zeus (Rhodesian Ridgeback) also attempting their TSD4 test under Debby. Although unsuccessful this time out, as Heather cheerfully says there's always something positive to take from each track, whether it's an existing challenge overcome or a new one to work on.

Our other group under Judge Heidi Christoffel were also having varied success with Julie Doig and Zoe (Staffordshire Bull Terrier) first out attempting their TSD1 track. Unfortunately although starting in the right direction, after a hesitation Zoe fully committed to the diversion track, a shame because when restarted, she tracked beautifully. Jax (German Shepherd Dog) and myself were Heidi's second team and after exiting the car and approaching our start like a screaming banshee (oh, for a calm dignified start 😞), Jax tore through the gate and settled straight into a good concentrated tracking rhythm, ignoring neighbourhood distractions to indicate his first article, blew the second in favour of wallaby scat, but refocused well to zip round the final leg and find our tracklayer Julie and earn a 'Very Good' TSD1 pass.

Heidi's third and last team of the morning was Silke Weyland and Aska (Belgian Malinois) from Cairns on a TSD3 track and today they were on fire, with Aska ripping round the track in record time (so fast she almost beat the tracklayer back to the hide), nailing all her articles and earning an 'Excellent' pass and her Track and Search Dog Title! So very pleased to see this team do so well.

The difficulty with urban tracks is that you never know what may be around the corner, be it wallabies (always seems to be more in town where there's fresh pick), neighbourhood dogs and cats or bird life (bush turkeys and guinea fowl).

Sunday saw us head out into the cattle paddocks where, although cold, there was not much moisture in the air or ground which didn't bode well for dogs or handlers working in the current very dry conditions and heavy speargrass burden – as usual, all of the handlers were advised to ensure they'd applied a good quantity of Show Sheen (horse mane/tail detangler) to assist with the removal of the spears post trial but there wasn't much to be done about the lack of ground moisture.

My first dog out for the day was Julie Doig and her young boy Gus (Smooth Collie) doing their T1 test. Having relocated from WA not that long-ago Gus had a slow acclimatization to our heat and this was his first foray into the competition paddocks. It was such a pleasure to judge this gentle joyful boy, who confidently applied himself to the track coming to a lovely stop at his Article and when Mum didn't acknowledge his effort fast enough, spun round her and indicated it a 2nd time just for sure, then happily headed off down the 2nd leg, took his corner confidently and shot of down the last leg, tail held high to pounce on his favourite tracklayer Debbie Schmidt, earning a 'Very Good' pass on the way.

Next out was Jinni Casson and Jon (Golden Retriever) working well throughout their track, although overshooting their first turn and having to work back, giving 1 good and one passable indication to find Adele at the end of the track and earn a 'Good' T2 pass.

My 3rd team out was Greg Chapman and Zara (German Shorthaired Pointer) on their T5 test, with Zara working at a clipping pace, but minimal indications to achieve a 'Pass'.

Next came Kevin Rogan from Cairns with his lovely Dutch Shepherd Kashi, another fast dog with great potential. Working at speed she cut the first corner missing her first article completely, gave the bare minimum indication on her second but found her track layer Jinni to earn a Pass on her T2 test. My final competitor of the day was Annette Woolley also from Cairns with the lovely Ace (German Shepherd) who raring to start his T4 attempt, set a cracking pace around the first 2 legs, missed his first article totally, barely acknowledged the next, confidently navigated his first 2 legs before coming a cropper at the gully on the third. Unfortunate because once back on track he worked beautifully until reaching his track layer Peter, but that's the nature of dog sports for you.

Meanwhile Debby's first team out for the day was our Victorian member Lisa Sinclair with Coffee Crème (Border Collie) who confidently whizzed round her track to earn a "Very Good" pass and their Tracking Dog title at what was their 3rd trial – well done! Unfortunately after that high, things slowed for Debby and her triallers. Next out was Jens and Zelic (Rottweiler) on a T4 down in the back paddock amongst the worst of the speargrass. From what I hear Jens only has two commands 'track' and 'Steady' because Zelic likes to GO!. He hit the wall of speargrass like the big unit he is and from all accounts he dropped on his first article indication so fast the ground shook, but after that indication it was all about the track and he never acknowledged another article (Jens, I feel your pain mate). Debby's next team out was Heidi Christoffel and Mika (GSD) also on a T4. By all accounts Mika also ran a nice track but failed to indicate any articles.

Debby then moved out of the main paddock to judge Julie Combridge and Tara (GSD) over in the secca paddock where Tara started nicely but was a bit distracted and wasn't interested in indications either. Last track of the day was Tanya Hill and Isa (Doberman) attempting a T7 track over in the horse paddock with only a couple of horses and no speargrass. Unfortunately, by this time the already dry paddocks were really dry and dusty, so poor Isa struggled, especially as a black dog in the rising heat and it wasn't to be their day.

Although seemingly not as successful for some of our teams as our previous trial, there was much to be learned by those transitioning from rural bush tracking to variable surface urban tracking, which has its own challenges and distractions, also for those stepping up a level whether as beginners or intermediate level as we learn how our dogs react to the more challenging tracks and different stimuli. No two tracks are ever the same regardless of terrain etc because of the ever-changing environment but each exposes new reactions to observe in our canine partners and challenges to work on to improve our work as a team.

Congratulations to everyone who achieved quals/titles, commiserations and best of luck next time to all our other competitors. We all have areas to work on (everyone needs to work at consolidating article indications and I need to work on proofing for environmental distractions).

My take home from the last trial of the season is that everyone, myself included, needs to work heavily on article indications. Work on achieving the ultimate indication in training as we will all definitely want to see a solid improvement across the board in the next season.

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 and get great advice from our judges. Remember, regardless of the results on the day – we each still take the best dog home.....

The organisation of any successful trial, especially tracking takes the input of many people and I'd like to extend a huge thank-you to all our judges, stewards, local track setters who pre-set all of the tracks for this trial and track layers (baits) without whom there would be no competition. Handlers, please don't forget to thank those involved on the day. Also everyone still participating in the judges training scheme - our trainee TSD judge Debbie Schmidt who searched out and set many of the courses, Carolyn Lynn, assistant Julie Doig and our mentor Mal Holland for his ongoing assistance and advice with all things tracking. Many thanks also to Dawn Holland, Julie and Kevin Doig for the fabulous breakfasts they provided on Saturday and 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 and 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 and Tracking trials would be limited to single trials on Sundays, therefore balloting rules will apply. All handlers are required to attend and be prepared to assist where required.

Janette Cussons
Tracking Coordinator 2018

TRACK & SEARCH TRIAL – ANNANDALE**14th July, 2018****Judge: Debby Lamprecht**

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track: TSD4			
Debbie Schmidt	T Ch Monsimbee They Call Me Furi TSD	German Shepherd	Very Good

Judge: Heidi Christoffell

Track: TSD1			
Janette Cussons	T Ch Raennik Natan	German Shepherd	Very Good
Track: TSD3			

Silke Weyland	O Ch T Ch Nordenstamm Aksa GD UDX RA	Belgian MaliNols	Excellent
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******* CONGRATULATIONS - TRACKING & SEARCH DOG TITLE *********TRACKING TRIAL – ALICE RIVER****15th July, 2018****Judge Debby Lamprecht**

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track: T3			
Lisa Sinclair	Milangimbi Coffee n Crème CDX RM	Border Collie	Very Good

******* CONGRATULATIONS - TRACKING DOG TITLE *********Judge : Janette Cussons**

Name	Name of Dog	Breed	Result
Track : T1			
Julie Doig	Ardarstern hey True Blue	Collie (Smooth)	Very Good
Track : T2			
Kevin Rogan	Sashi	Dutch Shepherd	Pass
Jinni Casson	Cassadar Jon Casson	Golden retriever	Good
Track: 5			
Greg Chapman	Woodwych Hot Gossip TD	German Shorthaired Pointer	Pass

TRACK AND SEARCH



Left : Silke being awarded her TSD3 qual card from Judge Heidi Christoffel, which also is her Title in Track & Search with her Belgian Malinois Aska – Congratulations!

Right : Janette Cussons being awarded Qual Card and Sash from Judge Heidi Christoffel for her TSD1 track with GSD Jax.



Left Debbie Schmidt being awarded Qual Card and Sash from Judge Debby Lamprecht for her TSD4 track with GSD Furi

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Left : Judge Debby Lamprecht awarding Lisa Sinclair Qual Card and Sash for TD3 and Tracking Dog Title with her Border Collie Coffee Crème.

Right : Judge Janette Cussons awarding Julie Doig with Qual Card and Sash for T1 with her Collie Gus



Left: Jinni Casson being awarded Qual Card and Sash for T2 with her Golden Retriever Jon

Right : Kevin Rogan being presented with Qual Card and Sash from Judge Janette Cussons for T2 with his Dutch Shepherd Kashi.



Left : Greg Chapman being awarded Qual Card and Sash for T5 with his German Shorthaired Point Zara from Judge Janette Cussons.



The 'no one looking' group photo



The serious, proper group photo!

5 TRAITS THAT WILL MAKE YOU A GOOD “LEADER” FOR YOUR DOG

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Dogs are animals. Without proper training (teaching), a dog will act, for lack of a better way to describe it, like a dog. This means that they will jump on counters, run away from home, eliminate where they please, bark, chew things, and the list goes on.

When we bring dogs into our homes, we expect them to fit in and act in an appropriate way. For most dogs, this takes a lot of consistent direction and reinforcement from the humans. When I say most dogs, I am talking about 99% of them. Once again, this is because they are animals and we are ultimately trying to get them to have human-like manners.

So the question is, what traits make up a good leader for a dog?

1. The ability to clearly communicate.

No, I am not referring to speaking sentences clearly. Dogs do not speak English and adding in extra words can cause confusion. What I am referring to is using a marker word when the dog is doing something the human likes. For example, “Yes” or “Good boy.” By consistently using marker words after the dog does a correct behaviour, and also following it with something the dog enjoys, the dog will be more likely to repeat the behaviour that led to good things from the humans. Additionally, words can be used to tell the dog to stop doing something. For example, “Leave-it.” By teaching a strong “Leave-it” cue, you can successfully stop your dog from doing things by giving him a simple instruction.

2. The ability to reinforce wanted behaviours, and prevent reinforcement for unwanted behaviours.

In a nutshell, when a behaviour is reinforced, the behaviour is likely to happen again. If we ask our dog to sit 5 feet away from the dinner table, and reward him for doing so, he is likely to hang out 5 feet away. If we allow our dog to stand right by the table and lick things off of it, the dog is likely to continue that behaviour. The good stuff the dog receives serves as the reinforcement. Basically, the dog realizes that a certain behaviour leads to good stuff, and does it again and again to get the good stuff. A good leader makes sure that only the wanted behaviours lead to reinforcement, and not the unwanted behaviour.

3. The ability to control access to “everything good.”

Naturally, being the human gives you the, “upper hand,” so to speak. By being human, we can naturally control everything the dog enjoys. (E.g. Food, Water, Play, Access outdoors.) What I am not saying is to rob your dog of the things it needs to survive. What I am saying is make your dog work for it. Does he want to go outside? Ask him to sit at the door until you release him to go out. Does he want to eat? Ask him to wait patiently in a “down” while you prepare the meal. Does he want to play? Ask him to participate in an awesome structured game of tug. It is natural for us to be in control of all these things for our dogs. If we weren’t, most dogs would be very overweight and running amuck. A good leader uses these things as a way to make the dog a little more dependent upon the human, which can result in a better-behaved dog.

4. The ability to follow through with what was asked.

One of the human’s roles is setting rules and following through with them. It is important that this is done the correct way. It is a must to teach the dog what is actually wanted and the emphasis should be placed on reinforcing the wanted behaviour. The wanted behaviours should be practiced over and over in a lot of different environments with a lot of different distractions. With all the practice, you will set your dog up to do the behaviour every time you ask. With all that being said, if the dog doesn’t do as you ask, you need to “take a step back” and show him what you’d like him to be doing. (For example: If your dog will not lie down and stay where you’ve asked when you’re

trying to eat dinner, you'll want practice teaching him how to stay in one spot for longer periods of time by working on increasing "duration" and "distance." ([Click here](#) to see how to increase the duration and distance.)

5. The ability to keep calm and practice positive training.

Sometimes your dog will test your nerves. It's inevitable. (Thank goodness they're cute, right?) In situations like this it is important to keep your cool and learn from it. If you get home and your dog got into the garbage, it's important to remember to either safely secure your garbage or your dog the next time you leave. (This is just one example.) The point is that if you lose your cool and yell or harshly punish, it will affect your relationship with your dog. This can result in a dog that doesn't trust humans, which can make training very difficult. The result of keeping calm and practicing positive training will lead to a trustworthy dog that is ready to learn.

By following these 5 recommendations, you will end up being just what your dog needs to succeed in life. Remember to stay calm, practice positive training, clearly communicate, "control everything good," follow through with what you ask, and reinforce the wanted behaviours. It will make you very happy in the short term and long term.

Also, check out [this video](#) to see how I am being a good leader to this shelter dog named Chase.



Ground Sniffing is a **DISPLACEMENT BEHAVIOR**

Displacement behaviors are normal behaviors displayed out of context. They indicate conflict and anxiety.

The dog wants to do something, but he is suppressing the urge to do it. He displaces the suppressed behavior with something else such as a lick or a yawn. The uncertainty of the situation causes conflict for the dog and the displacement behaviors are a manifestation of that conflict. The dog may want to bite a child who takes his bone, but instead he bites furiously at his own foot.

Source: <http://www.petprofessionalguild.com/dogbodylanguage>

WHAT TO DO:

Dogs do not learn well when they are stressed. Give them **MORE SPACE** away from the trigger so they can relax. Use food, games, or play to create positive associations, and to help them feel safe or unanxious. If you have a reactive or predatory dog, whenever your dog chooses to **DISENGAGE** from the trigger by **SNIFFING THE GROUND**, he should be **REWARDED** heavily.

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USEFUL REFERENCES: www.doggiedrawings.net/educational

Dog Zoomies: Why They Happen and What to Do

www.dogster.com/dog-training/dog-zoomies

Zoomies in dogs might sound funny — and usually they're silly and harmless! But, why do the dog zoomies happen and could they ever put your dog in danger? Dog zoomies are what they sound like. It's hard not to smile when you see a joyful dog running wildly around your house or yard, zipping back and forth for a few moments before collapsing after a case of what most of us call the "zoomies." Dog zoomies, or [Frenetic Random Activity Periods \(FRAPS\)](#) as they're technically called, generally only last a few minutes at most.

What happens before the dog zoomies hit? Before the zoomies hit, dogs often get a glint in their eyes, and they may start to play-bow at you or other dogs. Dogs with the zoomies often run quickly from one side of the yard or room to the other, back and forth, or spin in circles until they fall down. My youngest dog really enjoys trying to catch her tail when she has the zoomies. While zoomies in dogs and the frantic movements your dog exhibits when they hit might seem concerning, they are actually a normal part of happy dog behavior, and as long as your dog is zooming in a safe space, these FRAPS are nothing to be concerned about.

Why do zoomies in dogs happen? Dog zoomies tend to hit puppies and young dogs more frequently than older dogs, but zoomies are a great way for dogs of any age to release pent-up energy. Dogs get the zoomies for a variety of reasons — when they are highly excited or aroused or after watching another dog engage in high-energy play. Sometimes, dogs get the zoomies when they are confused or slightly stressed at a dog-training class, such as when the skills being worked on are challenging and they need to blow off some of that nervous energy.



For many dogs of all ages, bath time brings out the zoomies! Even my 15-year-old dog starts zooming around like a puppy after bath time is over. While dog zoomies are very natural for dogs, if they happen very frequently, it might be a good idea to think about how much exercise your pup gets, and if there are ways to add more structured exercise outlets into his day.

Controlling dog zoomies. Zoomies are a natural part of behaviour for dogs, and not something you should worry about preventing or discouraging, so long as your dog is zooming in a safe place. This means inside your home or fenced yard, ideally on carpet, and away from breakable items, or small children or elderly family members who could be accidentally knocked over by a large, zooming dog. Try to avoid letting your dog zoom on hardwood floors, or other slick surfaces. While it might seem funny to see a frapping dog slipping and skidding on floors, it can be very dangerous as your dog could slip and injure himself.

So, instead of trying to control the zoomies in dogs, control the environment in which he zooms. For example, if you know your dog gets the FRAPS after a bath, be sure to take him directly from the bath (either being carried or by leash) to a room or yard where he can safely zoom.

Never chase a dog with the zoomies. Sometimes the dog zoomies will strike your dog not just at a moment that's inconvenient (like when dinner guests are about to arrive), but at a time or place that's actually dangerous, like off leash at a dog park that isn't fenced (please always obey leash laws). In a situation like that, you need to catch your dog quickly, and when a dog has the zoomies he might "forget" his training.

The most important thing, which seems counterintuitive, is not chasing after a frapping dog. If you chase your dog, he is likely to misinterpret this as you playing with him. That will inspire him to continue running! Instead of chasing your dog, run away from him (in a direction free of roads or other dangers) and encourage your dog to follow you in a happy voice. It's good to be prepared for this moment, and make sure to have high-value treats and/or toys on you at all times.

On a related note, teach your dog that "come" is always a fun idea. To do this, regularly practice recalls with your dog on a longline or in a safely fenced area using treats, praise and other positive techniques to teach your dog to reliably come. Never punish your dog for not coming when called, instead set up training situations that enable him to be successful next time by decreasing distractions, adding a leash or longline, decreasing the distance you are from your dog when you call her, and/or using a higher value treat as a reward.

Dealing with a dog who seems to have a permanent case of the zoomies? [Does he have ADHD? What to know about high-energy, hyperactive dogs >>](#)

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The zoomie taxonomy

The post-bath zoomie

An expression of sheer relief after the torturous ordeal of having to get wet. Involves zooming crazily around every room in the house and shaking off excess water all over the places you don't want it to be.

The post-poop zoomie

Typically characterized by a casual and slow glance around for a few seconds, and then, when you're least expecting it (as far as they know anyway).....kick grass and GO!!

The pre-breakfast zoomie

Well, you have to earn your meal somehow, right?

The assault course zoomie

Involves zooming over the furniture, up the stairs and over the bed at break neck speeds (but never down the stairs! Too dangerous!).

The zoomie relay

'Cause everyone else is doing it.

The zoomie for absolutely no reason at all

Because they can.



CANINE OBEDIENCE CLUB OF TOWNSVILLE INC 2018 OBEDIENCE AND AGILITY TRIAL CALENDAR

ENTERING TRIALS

Preferred method of entry for trials is through K9 Entries.
Click here to start <https://www.k9entries.com/using.php>

COMPETITORS PLEASE NOTE

It is an expectation that competitors will assist with ring setups, changes
and stewarding when requested

Open Agility offered on all trials

Date	Time	Trial	Judge
April 6 th	7:00 pm	Obedience Rally O	Cathy O'Shea Roel Wittkamp
April 7 th			
Trial 1	3:00 pm	Agility Jumpers –	Tim Fairchild Roel Wittkamp
Trial 2	7:00 pm	Agility and Gamblers Jumpers - Obedience	Roel Wittkamp Tim Fairchild Cathy O'Shea
May 18 th	7:00 pm	Obedience Rally Obedience	Tricia Williams CDX, CD and CCD Mal Holland UDX and UD Heidi Christoffel
May 19 th			
Trial 1	2:00 pm	Agility and Gamblers Jumpers	Annette Gniel Judy Forbes-Faulkner
Trial 2	7:00 pm	Obedience	Tricia Williams CDX, CD CCD Judy Forbes-Faulkner UDX and UD
	4:00 pm	Rally O Agility Jumpers and Snooker	Heidi Christoffel Judy Forbes-Faulkner Annette Gniel
July 20 th	7:00 pm	Obedience Obedience Rally O	Barbara Murfet UDX & UD Tricia Williams CDX, CD & CCD Barbara Murfet
July 21 st			
Trial 1	2:00 pm	Agility and Snooker Jumpers	Tim Fairchild Heather Northover
Trial 2	7:00 pm	Agility and Pairs Jumpers Obedience	Heather Northover Tim Fairchild Barbara Murfet
	4:00 pm	Rally O	Barbara Murfet

Date	Time	Trial	Judge
August 3 rd	7:00 pm	Obedience	Lisa Sinclair CDX, CD and CCD John Baumann UDX and UD John Baumann
		Rally O	
August 4 th			
Trial 1	2:00 pm	Agility and Gamblers Jumpers	Roel Wittkamp Sandra Walker
Trial 2	7:00 pm	Agility and Pairs Jumpers Obedience	Sandra Walker Roel Wittkamp Lisa Sinclair CDX, CD and CCD John Baumann UDX and UD John Baumann
	4:00 pm	Rally O	
August 31 st	7:00 pm	Obedience Rally O	Keith Millington Kathy Millington
September 1 st			
Trial 1	2:00 pm	Agility and Gamblers Jumping -	Jody Brown Michael Cowman
Trial 2	7:00 pm	Agility - Snooker Jumpers Obedience Rally O	Michael Cowman Jody Brown Jody Brown Kathy Millington Keith Millington

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

2018 TRACK and SEARCH AND TRACKING TRIAL CALENDAR

COST : \$20 per entry (includes breakfast)

Entries close 14 days prior to the trial

NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Contact Trial Secretary Judy Forbes-Faulkner for further information

Mobile 0427 725 982

NOTES FOR COMPETITORS

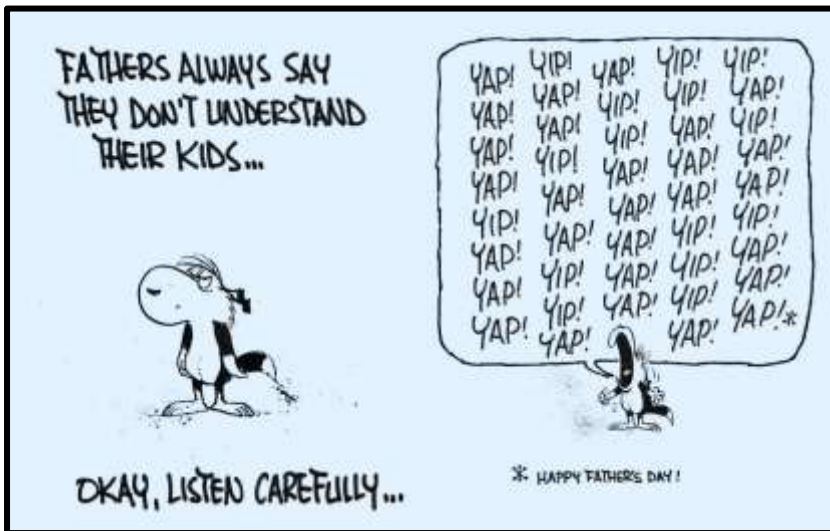
- 🐾 Fields restricted to 8 per trial
- 🐾 Handlers restricted to no more than 1 entry in a trial unless less than 8 entries
- 🐾 Ballot to be held if more than 8 entries per day
- 🐾 Entry fees refunded to balloted dogs

All trials – vetting 6:00 am, start 6:30 am

Date	Trial	Judge	Location
April 14 th	Track and Search	Mal Holland	Verbeena Court Annandale
April 15 th	Tracking	Mal Holland	Black River Road Alice River
April 15 th	Tracking	Carolyn Lynn	Black River Road Alice River
May 12 th	Track and Search	Heidi Christoffel	Verbeena Court Annandale
May 12 th	Track and Search	Mal Holland	Verbeena Court Annandale
May 13 th	Tracking	Janette Cussons	Black River Road Alice River
May 13 th	Tracking	Debbie Schmidt	Black River Road Alice River
June 16 th	Track and Search	Roel Wittkamp	Verbeena Court Annandale
June 17 th	Tracking	Roel Wittkamp	Black River Road Alice River
June 17 th	Tracking	Debbie Schmidt	Black River Road Alice River
July 14 th	Track and Search	Deborah Lamprecht	Verbeena Court Annandale
July 15 th	Tracking	Deborah Lamprecht	Black River Road Alice River
July 15 th	Tracking	Janette Cussons	Black River Road Alice River

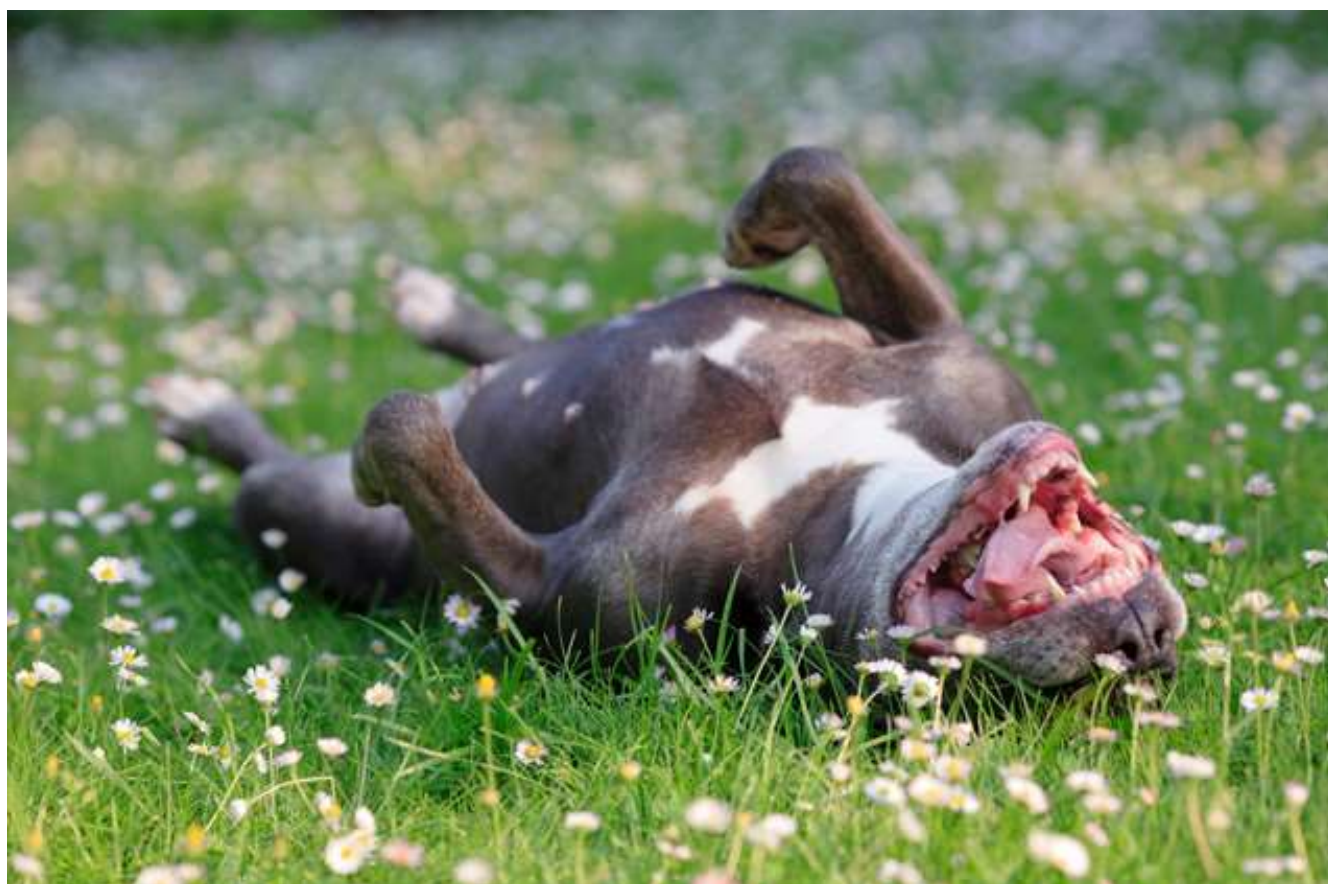


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I would rather be at home with my dog

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