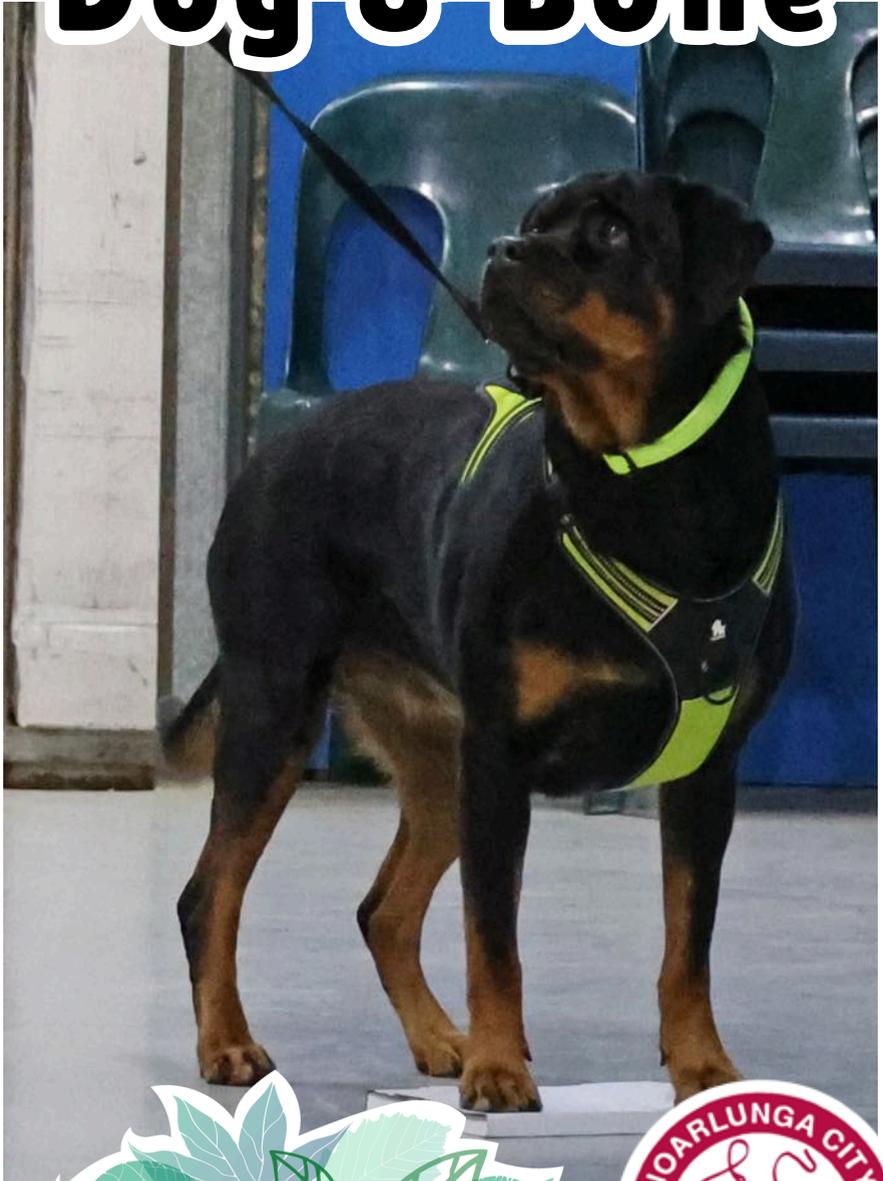


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2024 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Presented at the NCODC AGM, 19 Nov 2024

Hello everyone,

It's been an interesting year for the club. The works going on at the school have had an impact, but we have managed to continue our operations reasonably normally.

Probably one of the biggest issues was the cancellation of our March Agility trial due to the condition of the grounds. We did manage to hold our October Agility trial as normal. This year we incorporated a Tricks trial with our June Obedience and Rally trials for the first time, which was well received. We also ran a couple of Scent Work trials during the year. Thanks to everyone who helped with running our trials and catering for those who attended.

Meanwhile, we maintained our membership numbers and generally had good attendance in our classes. We didn't have a specific Head Instructor for much of the year, rather we took a Committee like approach with some of the more experienced Instructors pitching in to make sure everything ran smoothly. Overall, it worked pretty well. We had quite a few of our trainees upgraded to full Instructors during the year, which was very good to see. All being well we'll add some new trainees to our ranks next year.

Elsewhere, we had Chloe overseeing our Agility training whilst Unetta ran our Rally classes, Megan, Charmaine and Michelle led our Tricks classes and Narelle and Sharon looked after our Scent Work.

Many thanks to all of you and those other Instructors and trainees operating under your direction. Providing these various types of training is the reason the club exists and without you all we simply couldn't continue to operate as we do.

As usual, we had a group of members serving the club in various ways, which was much appreciated as always. We had Megan and Hayley serving as Secretary and Treasurer respectively, Hayley and Denise looking after the administrative side of our Obedience and Rally Trials, Megan doing likewise with our Tricks trial and Chloe with our Agility trial, while Karen took on the role of Newsletter editor. Heather once again helped out with catering for our trials and making the cakes for our annual Christmas Raffle. Unetta also provided a hand-made quilt for our general raffle. Once again, many thanks to all of you.

Again this year we had a number of our members competing in trials across a range of disciplines and representing the club with various degrees of success. Congratulations to all of you, particularly those who will receive awards at our Break-up on Friday night.

Later tonight we will appoint several new members to our Committee. I'd like to thank those who served us this year. Next year we will have a new Secretary, as Megan takes the year off to look after her new addition to the family. Thanks for all your efforts this year and we hope to see you back soon.

You will have note from the Finance report later that the club is in a reasonably healthy financial position. During the next year we will most likely incur some considerable expense as a result of the review of the rules for Agility trials. Depending on the final outcome we may need to acquire quite a deal of new equipment. As we are already short of storage space, we may also need to ask the school for permission to erect a new shed.

In closing, once again I would like to thank everyone for your support of the club during the year. I hope you all have an enjoyable break over the summer and a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year holiday period. I look forward to seeing you all when we return in February.

Brian

NCODC RULES

VACCINATIONS

All dogs must have regular vaccinations for distemper and parvovirus. Certificates of vaccination or Titre testing must be shown when joining.

OH! SH*T!

If your dog fouls the school grounds or precinct, it is your responsibility to clean it up in the bags and buckets provided for this purpose.

If your dog poops—you scoop!

LEADS, COLLARS & TYING UP YOUR DOG

During Club training times, dogs must be kept on a lead at all times, except when instructed by a trainer to remove it during training sessions. This rule applies to the whole of the school grounds.

Only approved leads and collars are to be used on dogs whilst on Club grounds.

Dogs are not to be tied to the Club shed or allowed in the clubrooms. If you need to tether your dog to enter the Clubrooms, please use the hitching rails attached to the outer wall of the Clubrooms, or the poles of the verandah (and

Only if your dog will wait calmly for your return).

NOT PERMITTED

Bitches in season are not permitted on Club grounds.

Dogs are not permitted in Clubrooms.

There is absolutely no smoking whilst training in class.

No training equipment to be used unless under the supervision of an instructor.

Members shall not treat their dog in a manner which is unacceptable to the Club, i.e. no hitting or kicking your dog.

YOUNG HANDLERS

Must be a minimum age of 12 years and train at the discretion of the Head Instructor.

Junior handlers aged 12-16 years must have a parent/guardian present during training sessions.

Children under 12 years are not permitted to handle dogs whilst on grounds.

Children are the responsibility of parents/guardians whilst on grounds and are not to approach unattended dogs.

INSTRUCTOR'S DISCRETION

The class instructor reserves the right to send the dog back to another class if it is to the dog's advantage.

Any dog which is considered by an instructor to be a potential threat to either another dog or Club member, shall be required to wear a muzzle whilst on the Club grounds during training.

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE

Appropriate clothing and footwear (closed in, flat) should be worn at all training sessions.

MEMBERSHIP BADGES

Current membership badges must be worn in class at all times.

2025 MEMBERSHIP FEES

Joining Fee (once off) \$20

Annual Membership Fee

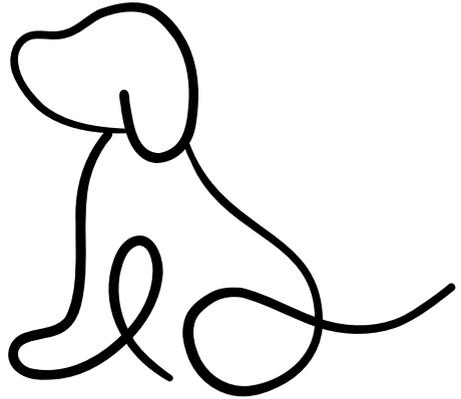
Single	\$20
Double/Family	\$30
Pensioner—Single	\$13
Pensioner—Family	\$15
Junior/Student	\$15

Class Fees Per Training Session

All classes are \$2 per dog, per class.

Prepaid Multipass

10x Training Sessions \$20



Annual membership fees are due at the start of each year, these can be paid at the office when you first come back to the club after the summer break.

Yes, we have eftpos in the clubrooms!



A NOTE TO ALL TRIALLING MEMBERS

Please remember that all competitors who want to be included in the end of year trophies **must have NCODC on their trial entries** so it appears in the catalogues.

We now have an **online form that can be used to submit your trial results** for Obedience, Rally, Tricks and Scentwork! You can find the link on our club Facebook page. Don't forget to **submit your results as soon as you have passed, not only when you gain a title**, so they can be added to the newsletter and counted for end of year trophies.

2024 COMITTEE

PRESIDENT	Brian Fielder	8326 5951
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Darren Hale	Bev Mayne	Karen Macey-Mort
Michelle Smith		

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TRIAL SECRETARY

Denise Quemard (Obedience/Rally)

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Nicola Parkman
Jenna Goodwin

Heather O'Brien
Karen Macey-Mort
Unetta Shugg
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Denise Quemard
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Taylor Fletcher
Darren Hale

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Chloe Threadgold
Michelle Chapman

Melissa Jolley
Marie Warming

RALLY OBEDIENCE

Unetta Shugg

Vicki Finn

TRICKS

Megan Behrendt

Charmaine Kenner

Michelle Smith

SCENTWORK

Narelle Medicott
Julia Mills

Sharon Gahan
Nicole Elkins

Ever thought about becoming an instructor?

NCODC is always on the lookout for more instructors for all of our classes. We offer full initial training for our new instructors and we also provide ongoing training to help keep our skills up, and bond as a team.

If you are interested, speak to one of your instructors or reach out to us on our Facebook page.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

OBEDIENCE

Our obedience classes are designed to teach dogs essential skills and behaviours using modern techniques, games, traditional obedience and of course lots of fun! We focus on helping your dogs become the most well-rounded and focused version of themselves, both at home and while out in the community. You'll learn many important skills including sit/drop stay, manners around food, other dogs and people, and of course reliable recalls that are even effective at the beach!

PRE-TRIALING OBEDIENCE

Ready to take your Obedience training to the next level? If you enjoyed the traditional obedience parts of our obedience classes, then you will love our Advanced Obedience class! You'll learn how to tighten up those formal obedience skills to an exceptional standard, and even how to go through "the ring" if you decide you want to trial in Obedience.

RALLY

Rally has a more relaxed atmosphere than formal obedience, and involves the handler and dog working together to perform exercises at sequential signs throughout a course. We request that you have passing Intermediate obedience class before starting Rally to ensure that you have learned the foundations of obedience first.

Rally is all about working with your dog as a team, by reading the signs, following the course and doing amazing things you thought you could never do! Are you up for the challenge?

TRICKS

What do we mean by 'Tricks'? Trick Dog is a sport in which handlers and their dogs learn a variety of skills or tricks in a positive and fun environment. There is a wide choice of tricks, so handlers can work to their dog's strengths. Our Trick Classes are open to current members who have passed puppy/beginner obedience class and are aimed at members who would simply like to train tricks for fun, as well as those who are competing in Trick Dog Tests. It is a fun opportunity to do something different with your dog.

We also offer a graduation structure based around the four Trick Dog levels, so you can obtain a graduation certificate once you have mastered a certain number of tricks at each level!



CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

AGILITY

Agility is a fast passed dog sport that involves the dog and handler navigating through an obstacle course filled with jumps, tunnels, weave poles, and other challenges. The objective is for the dog to complete the course as quickly and accurately as possible, with the guidance of their handler who directs them through hand signals, voice commands, and body movements. This dynamic sport not only showcases the physical abilities of dogs but also highlights the strong bond and communication between dogs and their handlers.

SCENT WORK

Scent Work brings out a dogs natural instinct and allows a dog to fulfill its scenting, hunting, searching, tracking, and working needs with their owners. The sport involves training dogs to search for specific odours from certain essential oils in several different situations called 'elements'. These odours are placed inside containers and then hidden for the dog to find.

Once the dog finds the source of the odour, they must communicate its exact location to their owner. The dogs can communicate this in many ways such as sitting, a bark, a paw, or a simple stare.

Scent work is a sport for any fitness level for any dog and they don't even need to be specialised dogs. Any energy level dog can be successful, from couch potatoes to those bouncing from the ceiling. Did you know the act of sniffing has the added bonus of being a natural stress reliever for dogs?

Did you know: your dog could save another dogs life?

Is your dog:

- Healthy and up to date with vaccinations, heartworm prevention and worming;
- Aged between 1-7 years old;
- Weighs at least 17kg (preferably over 25kg) and not overweight;
- Has no significant current or previous illnesses;
- Has never received a blood transfusion; and
- Has a friendly and patient temperament?

If so, they could become a life saving blood donor!
To find out more, contact **Small Animal Specialist Hospital** at infos@sshvets.com, or visit their website www.sshvets.com



GRADUATIONS

BEGINNERS

Michelle Hassold & Fizzgig
Peter Clark & Dave
Lissa Fletcher & Benson
Don Davidson & Murray
Joanne Barton & Tess
Keely McCrackan & Willow
Norma Coleshill & Viper
Cate Dayman & Maple
Megan Behrendt & Cooper
Mark, Melissa Larsen & Matilda
Ragi Istafanous & Bruno
Christian Lock & Louis
Peter Sutton & Stella
Stephen King & Millie
Judy Duffin & Jerry
Danielle Laracombe & Sid
Lisa Gibbon & Biscuit
Kiana Haren & Willow
Brendon Wilkins & Charlie
Lindsey Gully & Yayoi
Taylor Parsons & Vylas
Sheila O'Neil & Sonny
Tony Collins & Ivy
Georgie Ray & Uma
Roy Barron & Harley
Calvin Stoodley & Kiki
Maureen Filsell & Penny
Miguel Gonzales & Dot
Ken Lundie-Jenkins & Indie

BEGINNERS

Alan White & Max
Keith McArthur & Drax
Julie Engelhardt & Benson

PUPPIES

Marie Warming & Gidget
Renee Roberts & Ruby
Lisa Hearing & Winnie
Charmaine Fletcher & Chompy
Michelle Bigland & Bailey
Leon Graham & Digby
Jess Nicholls & Lumi
Rachelle Rothwell & Rafi
Emma Edwards & River
Bianca Lang & Tully
Sam & Rosie
Alistair Lean & Murphy
Phil McAuley & Kayce
Justin Geissler & Millie
Serena Brown & Bambi
Mikahla Cooper & Millie
Robyn Sawtell & Molly
Piper Callary & Oakley
Lachlan Sexton & Mia
Natalie Fielke & Daisy
Tracie Latham & Iko
Alison Wyld & Maize

GRADUATIONS

INTERMEDIATE

Cindy Blair & Bailey
Vicki Finn & Shandi
Marie Warming & Gidget
Emily Hodge & Raya
Kimberly Porter & Raya
Robyn Mitchell-Porteous & Chester
Michelle Hassold & Fizzgig
Renee Roberts & Rudy
Brad Cuming & Bailey
Shernlee McAuley & Raffael
Ragi Istafanous & Bruno
Caitlin Taylor & Finnick
Lissa Fletcher & Benson
Cate Dayman & Maple
Jess Nicholls & Lumi
Christian Lock & Louis
Petter Sutton & Stella
Emma Edwards & River
Denna Hadian & Kiki

INTERMEDIATE

Katerine Gilson & Ragnar
Charmaine Fletcher & Chompy
Michelle Bigland & Bailey
Lisa Gibbon & Biscuit
Natalie Fielke & Lily
Taylor Parsons & Vylas
Leon Graham & Digby
Steve Robb & Elly
Alex Fillmore & Florence

ADVANCED

Alex Fillmore & Florence
Emma Edwards & River

Congratulations to
all of our 2024
Graduates!



DON'T FORGET

Wear your badge in class! Bring plenty of soft treats cut up into small pieces (e.g. Prime 100, cooked chicken, cheese, hot dog).

If you forget your treats, we have bags of chopped Prime 100 dog roll available in the Clubroom for \$2.00 each.

Clean up after your own dog. You should always carry your own poo bags but if you run out, there are poo bags available on the inside of the shed door, as well as a bucket to dispose of bags.

Do not approach another dog without asking the owner first as not all dogs want to say "hi". Do not feel embarrassed to say no if you do not want someone else to approach your dog.

Most of all, have fun and enjoy training with your dog!



CLASS CANCELLATIONS

Hot/Rainy Weather (As per the Bureau of Meteorology website www.bom.gov.au)
Sunday training will be canceled if the Sunday forecasted max temp for Noarlunga is 34C or more, or steady rain is predicted during training.
Weeknight training will be canceled if the forecasted temp for Noarlunga at 5pm is 34C or more, or steady rain is predicted during training.

Public Holidays

Sunday training will be canceled on long weekends, and weeknight training will be canceled on public holidays.



*Monitor our Facebook page for cancellations.
We endeavour to post weather related
updates as early as possible.*



TRAINING TIPS

Be Consistent! Always use the same verbal cues and hand signals and make sure everyone in the family knows and uses the same cues/hand signals. It can be useful to put a list of cues on the refrigerator where everyone can see them. Think about what words you are going to use for your verbal cues and ensure that you do not use the same word for two different actions, e.g. if you use drop to mean lay down, you cannot use drop to mean drop the ball.

Say your verbal cue only once. Repeating your cue multiple times teaches your dog to ignore the cue.

The tone of voice you use matters! If you want your dog to respond in a lively way, such as when recalling them, use a happy exciting voice. If you are asking your dog for a calm behaviour such as relaxing on their mat, use a slow, calming voice.

Use praise as well as your food and toy rewards. Fade the lure! Once your dog is successfully following your hand with the food lure, start using your hand signal and reward with your treat from the other hand.

Teach new cues in various locations! Dogs do not generalise behaviour well, so they will often fail to perform a well-known cue in a new location. Many people see this as their dog being stubborn but most often it is because they do not understand the cue in the new location. Once your dog is fluent in a behaviour in one place, training it in different locations and environments will help your dog to better understand the behaviour. Set your dog up for success when training a new behaviour by starting in a familiar place where there are few distractions. As your dog starts to learn the skill, gradually add more distractions by adding movement or moving to new environments.

Reward good behaviour! We are very quick to notice our dog's bad behaviour but they will often offer good behaviour which goes unnoticed. Try hiding treats around the house (out of your dog's reach) and every time you see your dog offering a behaviour you like, such as being calm and quiet, lying on their bed, not jumping up, sitting and looking at you, praise them and give them a treat (calmly and quietly so you don't excite them and interrupt the behaviour). This will encourage your dog to offer you a lot more of those behaviours without you having to ask all the time.

Practice, practice, practice! As the saying goes, practice makes perfect!!

Try to train everyday (several sessions a day is even better)! It is best to keep sessions short so your dog doesn't lose interest, even just 5 minutes a session. Even just a few minutes while the kettle boils for your morning coffee adds up very quickly and could have your pup mastering tricks in days.

Remember, meal times make amazing training opportunities! Consider taking your dog's meals with you on walks to reward good behaviours and redirect them when they are distracted or overwhelmed, or use meals to practice commands at home.

Look for something positive in every day, even if some days you have to look a little harder.

OBEDIENCE TRIAL RESULTS

CCD

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Bev Mayne & Kevin	12/5/2024	GSDC of SA	91 / 2nd / CCD Title
Denise Quemard & Ziggy	14/9/2024	State Champs	93 / CCD Title

NOVICE CD

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Bev Mayne & Kevin	14/9/2024	State Champs	178 / 2nd

UTILITY

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	3/8/2024	GSDC of SA	198 / 1st

RALLY NOVICE

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Michelle Chapman & Rocket	7/4/2024	SOADC	80
Michelle Chapman & Rocket	7/4/2024	SAODC	85
Michelle Chapman & Rocket	15/6/2024	NCODC	97 / 1st / RN Title
Linda Saunders & Taavi	26/5/2024	BCC of SA	79
Linda Saunders & Taavi	7/7/2024	SDK&ODC	86
Kimberley Porter & Raya	15/6/2024	NCODC	95 / 3rd
Kimberley Porter & Raya	7/7/2024	SDK &ODC	96 / 3rd
Izabelle McKay & Rufus	15/9/2024	State Champs	82
Kimberley Porter & Raya	14/9/2024	State Champs	97 / 2nd / RN Title
Denise Quemard & Ziggy	14/9/2024	State Champs	89
Denise Quemard & Ziggy	29/9/2024	SDK & ODC	89 / 1st
Denise Quemard & Meara	14/9/2024	State Champs	95
Kimberley Porter & Raya	15/9/2024	State Champs	93
Marie Warming & Pippa	14/9/2024	State Champs	99 / 1st
Marie Warming & Pippa	15/9/2024	State Champs	100 / 1st
Marie Warming & Pippa	21/9/2024	PDODC	98 / 1st / RN Title
Linda Saunders & Taavi	6/10/2024	SAODC	89 / 3rd / RN Title
Denise Quemard & Ziggy	6/10/2024	SAODC	91 / 2nd / RN Title
Denise Quemard & Meara	6/10/2024	SAODC	89

RALLY ADVANCED

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	26/5/2024	BCC of SA	94
Narelle Medlicott & Junior	7/7/2024	SDK&ODC	82
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	14/9/2024	State Champs	93 / 3rd
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	15/9/2024	State Champs	94 / 1st / RA Title
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie &	21/9/2024	PDODC	98 / 1st
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	21/9/2024	PDODC	97 / 1st
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	29/9/2024	SDK & ODC	96 / 2nd

OBEDIENCE TRIAL RESULTS

RALLY EXCELLENT

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	4/9/2024	RAShow	96
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	21/9/2024	PDODC	98 / 1st
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	21/9/2024	PDODC	96 / 1st
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	29/9/2024	SDK & ODC	100 / 1st / RAE Title
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	29/9/2024	SDK & ODC	91
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	6/10/2024	SAODC	88

RALLY MASTERS

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	26/5/2024	BCC of SA	100 / 1st
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	15/6/2024	NCODC	100 / 1st
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	4/9/2024	RAShow	94 / 2nd
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	14/9/2024	State Champs	87
Brigitte Kepler & Georgie	15/9/2024	State Champs	99 / 1st

TRICKS TRIAL RESULTS

STARTERS

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	06/10/2024	SAODC	51 / Qual / TK.S Title
Elaine Schahinger & Flame	06/10/2024	SAODC	60 / 2nd
Heidi Theunens & Willow	10/11/2024	DWD Club SA	57 / 1st
Heidi Theunens & Willow	10/11/2024	DWD Club SA	55 / Qual / TK.S Title

NOVICE

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Michelle Smith & Marvin	10/11/2024	DWD Club SA	68 / Qual
Michelle Smith & Marvin	10/11/2024	DWD Club SA	68.5 / Qual

ADVANCED

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Score / Results
Megan Behrendt & Ruby	06/10/2024	SAODC	91 / 1st

SCENTWORK TRIAL RESULTS

ADVANCED

Handler & Dog	Date	Club	Element	Score / Results
Michelle Smith & Marvin	07/10/2024	SDK & ODC	Vehicle	Qual
Michelle Smith & Marvin	07/10/2024	SDK & ODC	Exterior	Qual
Narelle Medlicott & Caley	07/10/2024	SDK & ODC	Exterior	Qual / 1st
Narelle Medlicott & Caley	20/10/2024	NCODC	Interior	Qual

TITLES ACHIEVED

Bev Mayne

CCD Title

Brigitte Kepler & Georgie

Rally Excellent Title

Denise Quemard & Ziggy

CCD Title

Rally Novice Title

Elaine Schahinger & Flame

Rally Advanced Title

Tricks Starter Title

Heidi Theunens & Willow

Tricks Starter Title

Kimberley Porter & Raya

Rally Novice Title

Linda Saunders & Taavi

Rally Novice Title

Marie Warming & Pippa

Rally Novice Title

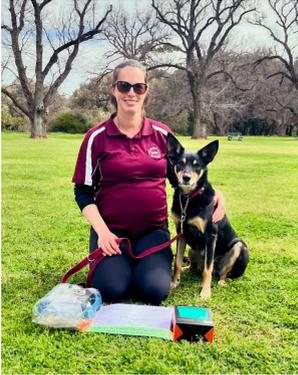
Michelle Chapman & Rocket

Rally Novice Title





SOME OF OUR 2024 TRIALERS





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HOW TO KEEP YOUR DOGS SAFE THIS SUMMER

As the summer sun graces South Australia with its intense heat, it's crucial for us to ensure the safety and well-being of our pets. Our four-legged friends do not handle the heat as well as we do, so let's explore some tips to keep your canine companions cool and happy during the scorching South Australian summer.

KEEP THEM HYDRATED

Just like us, dogs need to stay hydrated to beat the heat. Make sure your pup always has access to fresh, cool water. Always take a portable water bottle/bowl for outings, and encourage your dog to take regular sips, especially after playtime or walks.

EARLY MORNING OR LATE EVENING WALKS

The South Australian sun can be intense, especially during the afternoon. Plan your dog walks for the early morning or late evening when temperatures are cooler. This helps avoid the risk of overheating and protects your dogs sensitive paws from hot pavements.

CREATE A COOL OASIS

Keep your dog in an air conditioned space, or set up a shaded area in your backyard where your dog can retreat from the sun. Consider placing a kiddie pool filled with cool water or providing a damp towel for your pooch to lie on. Dogs will lay on cool surfaces during hot weather to regulate their body temperature and help them cool down.

PAW PROTECTION

Pavements and asphalt can become scorching hot in the sun, leading to burnt paw pads. Test the pavement with the back of your hand. If it's too hot for you to hold your hand on for 7 seconds, it's too hot for your dog. Opt for walks on grassy surfaces or only go out when the pavement is cool.

GROOMING MATTERS

Regular grooming is essential in the summer to help your dog stay cool. Brushing your dog's coat removes excess fur, allowing better air circulation. However, be cautious with the length of your dog's fur – some breeds benefit from a longer coat for sun protection. Speak to your groomer for advice on what is best for your dog's coat.

NEVER LEAVE YOUR DOG IN A CAR, HOT OR NOT

It's an absolute must to emphasize the dangers of leaving dogs in hot cars. Temperatures inside a parked car can skyrocket within minutes, even with the windows cracked. If you can't take your dog inside with you, it's best to leave them at home.

WATCH FOR SIGNS OF OVERHEATING

Recognising the signs of overheating in your dog is crucial, especially during the hot summer months. Dogs are more susceptible to heat-related issues than humans, so look out for the following signs in your dog:

- Excessive panting
- Difficulty breathing
- Increased heart rate
- Excessive drooling and salivating
- Lethargy and weakness
- Vomiting or diarrhoea
- Bright red gums or tongue
- Confusion or Disorientation
- Collapse or loss of consciousness

WHAT TO DO IF YOUR DOG IS OVERHEATING

If you suspect your dog is overheating, it's crucial to take immediate action to cool them down. Heatstroke in dogs is a serious condition that requires prompt attention. Here are steps you can take to cool down an overheated dog:

- Move the dog to a cooler area
- Encourage the dog to drink some water, but don't force them
- Wet the fur with wet towels, a hose or a pool of water, being careful not to stress the dog out any further. Focus on the belly, armpits and groin areas.
- Put the dog in front of a fan, this works especially well if the dog is wet.
- Call your vet and describe your dogs symptoms, they will be able to tell you what to do next. Note they may guide you though taking the dogs temperature, so if you have a thermometer keep it close by.

Remember, prevention is always the best strategy. Always be mindful of your dog's exposure to heat, provide ample shade and water, and avoid strenuous activities during the hottest parts of the day. If you ever suspect that your dog is overheating, act quickly and seek veterinary assistance to ensure their well-being.

SOCIAL UPDATE

*Our instructors sure love a themed class, and we know our members do too!
Just check out these costumes!*



Our Wednesday night classes had some spooky fun on **Halloween**. It was great to see so many people dressing their dogs up and even themselves! In all classes as a special treat we focused mainly on Tricks for Treats which was a lot of fun, and we made sure to teach everyone a few new tricks as well!





2024 TROPHY WINNERS



CCD - Bev Mayne & Kevin

Novice Rally - Kim Porter & Raya

Advanced Rally - Elaine Schahinger & Flame

Titled Master Rally - Brigitte Kepler & Georgie

Excellent Agility - Chloe Threadgold & Darcy

Master Agility - Jenny Barnes & Molly

Novice Jumping - Michelle Chapman & Rocket

Excellent Jumping - Jemma Hutchinson & Loki

Open Jumping - Helen Irving & Breeze

Scent Work Novice - Michelle Smith & Marvin

Scent Work Advanced - Julia Mills & Luke

Trick Dog Starter - Michelle Smith & Marvin

Highest New Obedience Title - Bev Mayne & Kevin

Highest New Rally Title - Brigitte Kepler & Georgie

Highest New Agility Title - Jenny Barnes & Molly

Highest New Scent Work Title - Michelle Smith & Marvin

Highest New Tricks Title - Julia Mills & Luke

Top Obedience Dog in Trials - Bev Mayne & Kevin

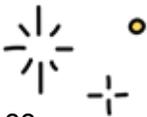
Top Obedience Bitch in Trials - Brigitte Kepler & Georgie

Top Rally Dog in Trials - Brigitte Kepler & Georgie

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Top Scent Work Dog in Trials - Julia Mills & Luke

Top Tricks Dog in Trials - Megan Behrendt & Ruby





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