# On Four Paws





# A NOTE TO ALL TRIALLING MEMBERS

Please remember that all Obedience, Rally or Agility 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.

For Obedience & Rally results, fill in the results slip in the Clubroom or email Brigitte Kepler (brig1@internode.on.net) for an online results slip.

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.

All correspondence should be addressed to:

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# NCODC GROUND 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

- 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 on the verandah whilst being left unattended by the handler. Dogs must be tethered to the hitching rails provided.

#### 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, ie no hitting or kicking your dog.

#### CHILD 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.

# TRAINING TIMES

# Sunday Mornings

8.30am—9.30am All Obedience Trialling Classes (Instructors & Office Staff

first)

From 9.15am Rally Obedience

9.15am—9.45am New Members

Beginners

Intermediate (Obedience)

10.00am—10.30am Puppies

Social Class Pre-Trialling

# **Monday Nights**

6.00 pm Equipment Setup

6.45 pm—7.30 pm Agility Trialling—All Classes

7.45 pm—8.30 pm Intermediate (Agility)

\*Note: To enquire in relation to Agility Starters, please email Chloe Threadgold on

Chloe.threadgold@gmail.com. Dogs must be at least 6 months of age and have

graduated from Intermediate Class (Obedience).

# Wednesday Nights

7.00 pm—7.30 pm Puppies

Beginners

7.45 pm—8.15 pm New Members

Intermediate (Obedience)

Social Class

# TRAINING CANCELLED

Sunday Mornings	Training will be cancelled if the forecast maximum temperature for Noarlunga is 34C or more as per the Bureau of Meteorology website (www.bom.gov.au)
Mon / Wed Nights	Training will be cancelled if the Noarlunga temperature is 34C or more at 5pm as per the Bureau of Meteorology website (www.bom.gov.au)
Public Holidays	Sunday & Monday if a public holiday is a Monday Any other public holidays
Please refer to our v	website (noarlungadogclub.net) or Facebook page for updates

# **NCODC INSTRUCTORS**

# **HEAD INSTRUCTOR**

Vacant

### ASSISTANT HEAD INSTRUCTOR

Vacant

# INSTRUCTORS—OBEDIENCE

Pam Davis
Karen McFarlane
Robyn van der Linden
Maureen Bishop

Heather O'Brien Kym McFarlane Denise Quemard Cathy Miller

Karen Mort Megan Behrendt Unetta Shugg Becca Everest

# INSTRUCTORS—AGILITY

Mel Maiolo
Melissa Jolley
Michelle Chapman
Sophie Wright

Chloe Threadgold Sharon Gahan Marie Warming

# INSTRUCTORS—RALLY OBEDIENCE

Vacant

Our Club consists of Volunteer Instructors, Committee & Helpers!

Any help you can give is always appreciated

# 2022 COMMITTEE & MEMBERSHIP FEES

PRESIDENT Brian Fielder 8326 5951

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Sheila O'Neill Charmaine Kenner Danny Harvey Taylor Parsons Darren Hale

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TRIAL SECRETARY Bronwyn Gascoigne (Agility)

Denise Quemard (Obedience/Rally)

TRIAL RECORDS Brigitte Kepler (Obedience/Rally)

EDITOR Cathy Miller

# 2022 MEMBERSHIP FEES

Joining Fee \$20.00

#### Annual Membership Fee

Single \$20.00
Double/Family \$30.00
Pensioner—Single \$13.00
Pensioner—Family \$15.00
Junior/Student \$15.00

#### Class Fees Per Training Session

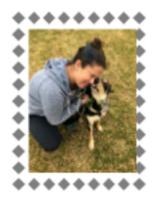
Obedience \$2.00 per dog
Agility \$2.00 per dog
Rally \$2.00 per dog
Tricks \$2.00 per dog

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<sup>(</sup>iii) accepts no responsibility for error in the publication of any material. The opinions expressed in any material in the NCODC magazine are not necessarily those of the Noarlunga City Obedience Dog Club.

# HEAD AGILITY INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT



Agility has been busy fundraising for some new equipment. A big thank you to members who entered our raffle — we raised over \$800.00 to contribute to new equipment. We have ordered our ring bunting, as well as some new wing jumps and handy man, Brian, has a project to upgrade our broad jumps.

Our agility group had some fun running an Easter race and everyone had a good laugh.

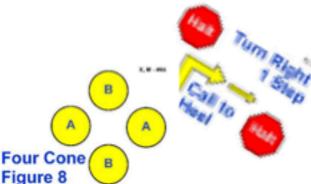
I hope all of our handlers enjoyed success at the recent State Agility Championships held at Southern Districts on the June long weekend.

Chloe Threadgold

# **OBEDIENCE & RALLY RESULTS**

HANDLER	DOG	DATE	CLUB	EVENT	PLACE	SCORE
Brigitte Kepler	Darcy	03/04/2022	SAODC	Rally Advanced	1st	96
Brigitte Kepler	Darcy	14/05/2022	BCC of SA	Rally Advanced	2nd	95
Brigitte Kepler	Darcy	03/04/2022	SAODC	Rally Excellent	2nd	95
Brigitte Kepler	Darcy	14/05/2022	BCC of SA	Rally Excellent	1st	97
Brigitte Kepler	Georgie	03/04/2022	SAODC	Rally Masters	3rd	88
Brigitte Kepler	Georgie	14/05/2022	BCC of SA	Rally Masters	2nd	95







# **NEW MEMBERS: MARCH—MAY 2022**

We extend a warm welcome to all our new Members:

Nicholas & Jessica Dohnt & Teddy Vicky & Dayna Wilkins & Bodie Karen & Matthew Farrelly & Mya Josh & Georgie Lavery & Ollie David Hutchinson & Yvonne Woolfe & Cassady Katie Krasser & Luna Maggie Peterson & Jackson Richman & Swell Matt & Tammy Pass & Bruno Narelle & John Pethick & Cleo Julie Navlor & Cruiser Natasha Evans & Cameron Harrup & Piper Kelly & David Fitt & Dudley Michelle Smith & Marvin Kylie Grundy & Aella Chris & Lauren Swanson & Jack & Summah Samantha Chamberlain & Mr Bean Sandy Steele & Brock & Ruby Lynette Skingsley & Luna Kylie & Rick Gatter & Sprocket Jill Safonne & Stellar

Raghavendra & Jaagriti Thouiakere Smimivasaiah & Star Natasha, Sean, Zander & Miller Bartholomew & Raiden

Bonnie Lloyd & Daisy Helen Irving & Bree & Sascha Jacquie & Jonny James & Kovu, Felix & Jory Gillian Van Nieuwmans & Kenny Jannine Ahumada & Rosko Claire & Arron Bergmann & Ace Jeffrey Sammells & Halo Yvette Carlsson & Coco Marian O'Toole & Greg Matonia & Daisy Elizabeth Graves & Buddy Ruth Hall & Lilly Mayka & Stephen Janes & Mishka & Addie Stephen & Beverley Preston & Kora Julie Drennan & Molly Dennis Schumacher & Lexi Bev Mavne & Andrew Jared & Kevin Alexander Cheers & Jack Gemma & Jesse Collins & Maui Carla Franson & Beans Rachel Zotti & Max



- Wear your badge in class.
- Bring plenty of soft treats cut up into small pieces (e.g. fritz, chicken, cheese, hot dog). If you leave your treat bag at home, treat bags are 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 forget, there are poo bags available in the shed, together with 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 your dog training

# **GRADUATIONS**

# Congratulations to all our Graduates!

# **PUPPIES**

09/03/2022	Tim Foster & Nola
30/03/2022	Bailey Kuypers & Sidney
27/04/2022	Racheal Norton & Cosmo
22/05/2022	Melissa Jarmyn & Sonic
29/05/2022	Yvonne Woolfe & Cassady
08/06/2022	Nicholas Dohnt & Teddy

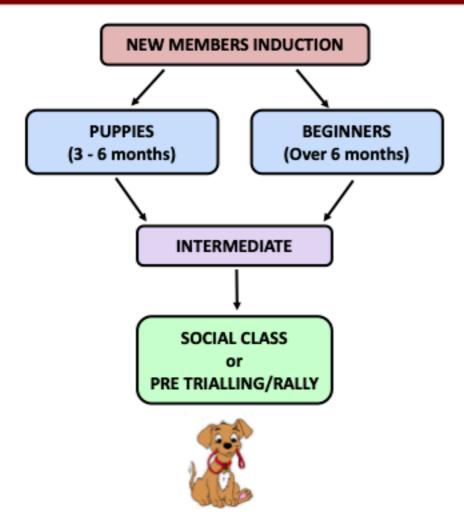
# **BEGINNERS**

03/04/2022	Dominique Power & Nelly
10/04/2022	Emma Hassan & Finn
01/05/2022	Jacquie James & Kovu
08/05/2022	Janet Izatt & Jelly Bean
	Morgan Michie & Jelly Bean
15/05/2022	Peter Round & Skye
22/05/2022	Julie Maylor & Cruiser
22/05/2022	Deborah Shofield & Harvey
08/06/2022	Jessica Lewis & Hugo

# INTERMEDIATE

09/03/2022	Izabella McKay & Rufus
27/03/2022	Anne Hooper & Elsie
03/04/2022	Renee Roberts & Sage
03/04/2022	Jenny Dunn & Maisy
10/04/2022	Kerry Jones & Daisy
08/05/2022	Patricia Birbeck & Tara
08/05/2022	Robert Petchell & Rebel
29/05/2022	Jess Hann & Willow

# **CLASS STRUCTURE**



**New Members Induction Class** is for all new Members and covers Club Rules, suitable training equipment (collars, leads etc) for class, why we use food, toys and praise in training, plus the basic exercises of sit, lie down, pay attention (Watch), come when called and walking on lead.

After attending the New Members Class, you will start in either Puppy or Beginners Class, depending on your dog's age.

**Puppy Class** (for dogs 3-6 months) and **Beginners Class** (for dogs over 6 months) will include basic training (sit, lie down, come, pay attention, come when called, stay, walk on a lead), how to teach your puppy to be comfortable with being handled for grooming etc., to go to a bed and stay there, confidence building activities such as walking over different surfaces, and good manners such as waiting at doors, not jumping up to grab food etc.

On graduating from Puppy or Beginner Class, you will go into the **Intermediate Class** which further develops these skills to a more advanced level, and introduces some new exercises.

On graduating from the Intermediate Class, you can then choose either the **Social Class** (for fun, manners and real-world obedience training) or the **Pre-Trialling Class** (for those interested in Trialling in Obedience and/or Rally). You are welcome to try out both Social and Pre-Trialling Class options to see which one suits you best.

# GRADUATION CRITERIA

#### PUPPY/BEGINNER CLASS

Dog and handler demonstrate the skills on two separate occasions. The "1" on their Membership Card is marked off for the first successful assessment and the "2" is marked off for the second successful assessment. A red graduation ribbon will be awarded.

#### Puppy/Beginner Class Graduation Criteria

- Sit/Stay—Dog sits close to handler for 10 seconds
- Down/Stay—Dog lies down close to handler for 10 seconds. Can be on a mat.
- Recall—Call dog to a reward while dog is walking freely on a loose lead 1-2 metres from handler.
- Walking on Lead—Handler can get and keep dog's attention while walking 5-10 metres with at least 2 changes of direction. Exercise can be conducted by Instructor giving verbal instructions, or by the handler walking a designated route between plastic cones or similar.

#### INTERMEDIATE CLASS

Dog and handler demonstrate the skills on two separate occasions. The "3" on their Membership Card is marked off for the first successful assessment and the "4" is marked off for the second successful assessment. A blue graduation ribbon will be awarded.

#### Intermediate Graduation Criteria

- Sit/Stay close to handler while another dog walks past (no closer than 2 metres)
- Down/Stay while handler steps away to the end of the lead, then comes back to reward the dog and steps away again at least 3 times, then returning and releasing the dog (dog can be on a mat).
- Recall—Call dog while dog is walking freely on a 1.5-2 metre lead—dog must come on first call (handler can
  use name and/or call word) repeated 3 times in succession. Dog can be rewarded for coming, but not lured.
- Walk on Lead—Handler can get and keep dog's attention, while walking on a loose lead, with other dogs
  nearby but not so close by as to be an interference, for 10-20 metres including 2 changes of direction and 2
  sits. Exercise can be conducted by Instructor giving verbal instructions, or by the handler walking a
  designated route between plastic cones or similar.

#### TRAINED DOG CERTIFICATE

Dog and handler demonstrate the skills once. The "5" on their Membership Card is marked off for a successful assessment. A maroon graduation ribbon will be awarded, together with a Trained Dog Certificate.

#### Trained Dog Certificate Graduation Criteria

- Sit/Stay close to handler while another dog walks past (no closer than 2 metres) and while a person walks by (no closer than 1 metre).
- Off Lead Down/Stay for 1 minute while handler steps away to a distance of 5 metres—dog may be on a mat (test on long lead if unsure).
- Recall—Call dog while dog is approximately 5 metres from handler. The dog should not be put in a stay/wait
  i.e. should be free ranging as if at the park/beach. Dog must return promptly and allow handler to clip lead
  on. Dog can be familiarised with the test area prior to the assessment. (Test can be conducted in the holding
  pen, with the handler calling dog to the gate, or elsewhere on the Club grounds on long lead if unsure of
  dog's response).
- Walk on Lead—Handler can get and keep dog's attention, while walking on a loose lead, with other dogs in the vicinity but not so close by as to be an interference, for at least 20 metres including 4 changes of direction, 2 sits and 2 downs. Exercise can be conducted by Instructor giving verbal instructions, or by the handler walking a designated route between plastic cones or similar.
- Rewards may be given after each exercise, but the dog may not be lured/baited/distracted with food.

#### DOG OF THE MONTH

A silver ribbon will be awarded to the Dog of the Month in each Class.

# RALLY

# (previously called Rally Obedience or Rally-O)

Rally was recognised by the ANKC in 2012. Rally is open to all dogs from 6 months of age.

There are four classes in Rally: Rally Novice, Rally Advanced, Rally Excellent and Rally Master. Rally Novice is completed with the dog on lead and in all other classes the dogs are off lead. Once a handler and dog team achieve their Rally Master Title, they can continue on to become a Rally Champion by qualifying a further 10 times with a qualifying score of 90 or more points in the Rally Master Class under at least three different Judges.

In Rally, handler and dog teams complete a designated course designed by a Judge consisting of between 10 and 24 stations (depending on the level). Each station has a sign detailing the skill that is to be performed. At the beginning of the course, the handler and dog start with a perfect score of 100 and marks are deducted by the Judge for any faults such as:

- Tight lead
- Crooked sits or downs
- Incorrectly performed station
- Out of position
- Lack of teamwork

The exercises to be performed in Rally increase in difficulty as you go through the levels. Rally Novice consists of signs that many dogs learn in early obedience such as sit, down, fast pace, about turn and walk around the dog. Handlers are encouraged to give verbal praise and can pat their dog, but cannot physically guide or correct the dog. Food is not allowed in the ring (or within five metres of the ring) during the walk through or competition and will result in disqualification.

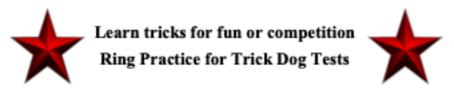
A 10 minute walk through of the ring is provided for handlers without their dogs to enable them to familiarise themselves with the course. The Judge will also be available in the ring during the walk through to answer any questions from the handlers.

At the beginning of the course, the Judge will ask the handler if they are ready, and will then say "forward", after which the handler and dog team complete the entire course on their own. This differs from Obedience where a Judge directs the handler and dog team through a series of exercises. Whilst the course is timed from when the Judge says "forward" until the handler and dog cross the finish line, times will only be used in the event of a tie for placement.

Our Club will hold our next Obedience and Rally Trial at the Club grounds on Saturday, 18 June 2022. We would love to see you out there to support the competitors and find out more about trialling in this fun sport—you never know, it might inspire you to give it a go!

# TRICK DOG CLASS

7.30—8.15 pm fortnightly on a Thursday (see dates below)
Open to members who have graduated Puppy/Beginner Obedience Class



Current NCODC membership required—please wear your badge Class Fee: \$2.00 per dog

#### 2022 Upcoming Class Schedule:

Thursday, 23 June Thursday, 7 July Thursday, 21 July Thursday, 4 August Thursday, 18 August Thursday, 1 September Thursday, 15 September Thursday, 29 September Thursday, 13 October Thursday, 27 October Thursday, 10 November Thursday, 24 November

# SCENT WORK COURSE

Scent Work is a new sport where the dog locates an odour and communicates to the handler that the odour has been found.

Are you interested in learning how to train your dog in Scent Work? Our Club will be holding Scent Work training sessions which will be run over five weeks with two sessions each night starting at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Sessions are open to Club members only. New Members are welcome at the Club - please see the Club website for Membership details. The next course will be announced via the Club's Facebook page.

### How to Register:

To secure your place please email Narelle - Kanberchic@optusnet.com.au or speak to Narelle at Wednesday night training. Places will be limited, ONE dog per handler & you must register before the sessions start. By registering you are signing up to attend ALL 5 sessions.

#### How Much Will it Cost?

The course will cost \$25.00 which is payable on the first night.

#### What to Bring to the Sessions:

You, your dog (who must be in a harness or on a fixed collar), lots of yummy treats and a small jar so the instructors can give you some scent tips to practice with.

# VALE YVONNE HARDWICK



On the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 the Club lost our much loved Canteen Manager, Yvonne Hardwick, after a short battle with cancer.

Yvonne joined the Club in 1995 first training her dog, Amber, a Whippet. Yvonne found training difficult due to her deafness but she did not want to leave the Club as she enjoyed the social aspect so she persevered.

In 1997 she was elected to the Social Committee, a position she held for two years. She became the Canteen Manager in 2001 and was awarded Life Membership in 2007 for her dedication to the Club. This was a position she held until her passing.

The Canteen became Yvonne's Canteen and she always joked that she would like the kitchen upgraded with marble counter tops, a tiled floor and gold taps! She had a wicked sense of humour.

She asked, even before she knew she was ill, that when she passed, if we would erect a sign saying "Yvonne's Canteen". She had great pride in maintaining the canteen and considered it her own. With the aid of her three daughters, we managed to fulfil her wish and send her a photo a mere four days before she died. Her daughters said it put a huge smile on her face.

Not all of you would know Yvonne but I am sure you have all had some contact with her in the Canteen. She will be sadly missed.

Rest in Peace Yvonne

# **CANTEEN FACILITIES**



Feel like a refreshment? Pop on over to our Club Canteen —tea, coffee, biscuits, cans of drink and confectionery are all available for purchase.

Cappuccinos, lattes and long blacks are now available for \$3.50.

# **CLUB SHOP**

LeadsSlip CollarsDog StakesDumbbellsPigs Ears (\$2.00 each)Training AidsClub Polo ShirtsClub JacketsClub BadgesPuppingtons Treat PouchesBags of Fritz (\$2.00 each)

are all available for purchase in our Club Shop.

The erected enclosure is not just for instructors' dogs but for any dog that will be left unattended for a period of time. It's still ok to tie your dog to the verandah if you're only going into the Clubrooms to get a coffee etc., but if the dog is to be left for anything in excess of 10 minutes then it needs to be in the enclosure.

If you use the enclosure, it is your responsibility to check the enclosure and clean up your dog's poo. Bags are provided for this purpose and can be disposed of in the bin provided outside the training shed.

Don't forget to visit our website, Facebook & YouTube pages

www.noarlungadogclub.net

https://www.facebook.com/Noarlunga-City-Obedience-Dog-Club-Inc-







# "It's okay, my dog is friendly ..." No, it's NOT okay!

Just because your dog is friendly, doesn't mean all dogs are. Some may be nervous, reactive, fearful, in training or owned by people who want to be left alone.

# Please remember:

Respect other owners and their dogs and their need for space.

Never let your dog run up to a dog on leash. Not all dogs want the added attention or intrusion. If you have no voice control over your dog, then keep them on leash.





Show support for your Club!

All Club Polo Shirts and Fleece Jumpers are currently on sale and available for purchase from the Clubrooms.

Polo Shirts: \$28.00 now \$20.00

Fleece Jumpers: \$38.00 now \$26.00

# Dogs do speak, but only to those who know how to listen"

Orhan Pamuk

