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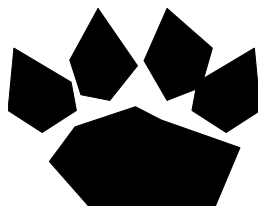
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TRAINING TIMES

Sunday Mornings



8.30am Open & Utility (Competition)
9.30am CCD and Novice (Competition level)
New Members
9.45am Puppies, Beginners, Grades 1 & 2
10.30am Grades 3, 4 & 4A
Beginners & Puppy Agility

Monday Nights

6.15pm Agility
7.30pm Utility

Wednesday Nights

6.45pm New Members
7.00pm Puppies, Beginners, Grades 1, 2 & Open
7.45pm Grades 3, 4, 4A, CCD & Novice

TRAINING CANCELLED

Sunday Mornings

When the forecast for Noarlunga is 34°C or more as per the Saturday evening Channel 10 News.

Monday / Wednesday
Nights

When the actual Noarlunga temperature at 5.00pm is 34°C or more as per the Channel 10 News.

CANTEEN FACILITIES

Tea & Coffee

Biscuits

Cans of Drink

Confectionery

PET REQUIREMENTS

LeadsSlip

Collars

Dog Stakes

Dumbbells

Pig Ears

Training Aids

ALSO AVAILABLE

Club Polo Shirts

Jackets

Badges

Photocopying



Hire: high & broad jumps \$2/week
Club's barbeque \$10 donation, \$20 bond

Advertising in Magazine
Quarter Page \$5 Half Page \$10 (per issue)

N.C.O.D.C. GROUND RULES

- ◆ CHILD HANDLERS MUST BE A MINIMUM AGE OF 12 YEARS OLD, AND TRAIN AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HEAD INSTRUCTOR. JUNIOR HANDLERS AGED 12-16 YRS MUST HAVE A PARENT/GUARDIAN REMAIN PRESENT DURING TRAINING SESSIONS. CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE ARE NOT PERMITTED TO HANDLE DOGS WHILST ON GROUNDS. CHILDREN ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHILST ON GROUNDS & ARE NOT TO APPROACH UNATTENDED DOGS.
- ◆ ALL DOGS MUST HAVE REGULAR VACCINATIONS FOR DISTEMPER AND PARVOVIRUS. CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION TO BE SHOWN WHEN JOINING.
- ◆ 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. IT IS IN YOUR INTEREST THAT YOUR DOG IS NOT PERMITTED TO RUN FREE ON THE CLUB GROUNDS AS IT MAY BECOME A NUISANCE TO OTHER MEMBERS.
- ◆ BITCHES IN SEASON ARE NOT PERMITTED ON CLUB GROUNDS.
- ◆ IF YOUR DOG FOULS THE SCHOOL GROUNDS OR PRECINCT, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CLEAN IT UP IN THE BAGS & BUCKETS PROVIDED FOR THIS PURPOSE.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ ONLY APPROVED LEADS AND COLLARS ARE TO BE USED ON DOGS WHILST ON CLUB GROUNDS.
- ◆ MEMBERS SHALL NOT TREAT THEIR DOG IN A MANNER WHICH IS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE CLUB. IE. NO HITTING OR KICKING YOUR DOG.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO SMOKING WHILST TRAINING IN CLASS.
- ◆ DOGS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE CLUB ROOMS.
- ◆ NO TRAINING EQUIPMENT TO BE USED UNLESS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF AN INSTRUCTOR.
- ◆ APPROPRIATE CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR (CLOSED IN, FLAT) SHOULD BE WORN AT ALL TRAINING SESSIONS.
- ◆ THE CLASS INSTRUCTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SEND THE DOG BACK TO ANOTHER CLASS IF IT IS TO THE DOG'S ADVANTAGE.
- ◆ ALL MEMBERS MUST WEAR A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP BADGE WHILST IN CLASS.

N.C.O.D.C INSTRUCTORS

HEAD INSTRUCTOR

Irene Doburzynski

ASSISTANT HEAD INSTRUCTOR

Martyn Bartlett (Agility)

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Marlene Standley

Sandy White

Irene Doburzynski

Pam Davis

Robyn Van der Linden

Pat Fickling

Unetta Shugg

Wally Doburzynski

Robyn Brauer

Heather O'Brien

Aspiring

Jo Greenhill

Linda McKenzie

INSTRUCTORS—Agility

Martyn Bartlett
Bronwyn Gascoigne

Unetta Shugg
Jennie Sullivan

Aspiring

Robyn Van de Linden

CLUBROOMS

TREASURER- Hayley Quemard

CANTEEN- Yvonne Hardwick

*Our Club consists of Volunteer Instructors, Committee & Helpers!
Any help you can give is always appreciated*

COMMITTEE 2014

OFFICE BEARERS

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Martyn Bartlett
Linda McKenzie
Michelle Williams
Lynda Simons

Unetta Shugg
Bronwyn Littler
Wally Doburzynski
Irene Doburzynski



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Irene Doburzynski (Obedience)

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HEAD INSTRUCTORS REPORT

Hi Everyone

It has been a great feeling for me to look around on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings and see so many of you handlers and your beloved dogs out on the field having fun together. I hope you feel settled again after a long break.

We are trying something new this year and that is to call the dog of the month over the speaker system....as this is an important achievement. So please keep your ears open..... because it could be you and your dog.

Again if you have any good or bad comments about the club please let me know.....as they say I can't fix if I don't know about it.

Cheers from Irene



Treuliebe My Little Man

‘Merlin’

26/01/00 - 25/03/14

We lost our ‘little man’ in March after a short and sudden illness. Merlin was a true gentleman, always letting the girls in the household have their way. Even to the extent of standing aside whilst Sukey stole his dinner. And let me tell you, Merlin loved his food so that was a big sacrifice!

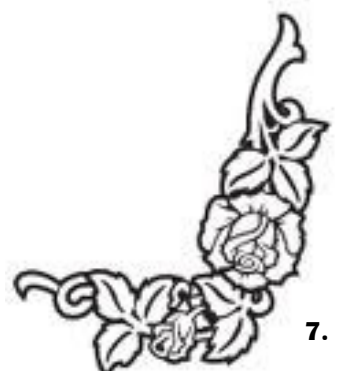
Merlin came into our house way back in 2000. At the time we had Missy, a standard Schnauzer with a rather possessive personality. We were worried that she wouldn’t accept Merlin into the pack but we needn’t have worried. When we picked him up from the breeder, he fitted into the palm of my hand and Missy decided that he was hers and that was that. When Missy left us from old age Merlin was our only dog for quite some years. But that didn’t bother him.

Merlin’s greatest achievement was gaining his CD title and being a member of a winning Balmead Shield Team for the club – both at the same time. Unfortunately due to my ill health I had to retire from dog training for some time and consequently, at the age of 5, Merlin was retired too. He was such a well mannered little dog that I never bothered to take it up with him again.

My fondest memory of Merlin is seeing him sitting bolt upright in the middle of the back lawn just surveying the scene. We nicknamed him ‘Sam’ from the Acme cartoon with the sheepdog and the wolf because he looked just like him keeping watch over the sheep. Nothing bothered Merlin much except having his two front legs brushed. You could brush his whole body and back legs without a problem but ‘don’t touch my front legs’!! He loved nothing better than lying on the lounge room carpet having his ears plucked. He actually used to fall asleep and snore whilst this was going on.

Merlin had two great loves in his life. His Bonio biscuit in the morning and trees. He would demand his biscuit as soon as he knew you were awake and if he spotted a tree he was gone. No amount of calling him would bring him back until he was finished and this got even harder in latter years because he got deaf! I remember a trip to Kuipo Forest where we had about 10 dogs between us all. They were all charging around like a pack of wild animals chasing each other but not Merlin. He went from tree to tree to tree squeezing out a drop on each one.

Merlin is sorely missed by the whole family. He has left a big hole in our lives which will take some filling. He always was and always will be our ‘little man’. Rest in peace my boy. I hope there’s a lot of trees in doggy heaven.



PLEASE NOTE

Please Note:

Parking up near the Clubrooms is for Head instructor only. Everyone else please use the carpark.

Did you leave your dog's treat bag at home?

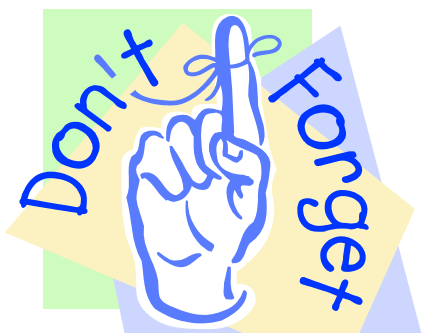
Well, no problems- we have Treat Bags available in the Clubrooms for 50c

Please make sure your dog is on lead before you get your dog out of the car in the car park at the school.

Pigs Ears \$1.50
Available from Clubrooms
A Tasty & Healthy Treat for your Dog

All member **MUST** wear their badge during class times.

To be eligible to graduate you **MUST** attend at least 3 sessions in that class.



1. Wear you badge in class.
2. Clean up after your own dog.
3. Have fun and enjoy your dog training

Don't forget to visit our NEW website

www.noarlungadogclub.net



**All correspondence should be addressed to:
The Secretary**



 **83847271**

Please Note:

Monday Night Agility Training will be cancelled on 23rd and 30th June due to instructors competing at the National Agility Championships

Please Note:

Sunday Morning Puppy Agility Training will be cancelled on 22nd, 29th June and 6th July due to instructors competing at the National Agility Championships



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NEW MEMBERS

FEBRUARY / MARCH

Bob & Rosemary Parsons – Rusty
Phil Caddy – Tea
Jason Weeks – Guinness
Tracy Salter – Indi
Vicki Ryan – Mister
Peta Robins – Levi
Tony Benson – Rory
Lisa Roden – Bear
Kobie Poulton – Mia
Skye – Jett
Helen Martin – Saatchi
Sharon Sales – Pippa
Zoe Beardsmore / Debbie Neville / Craig Obrien – Maggie
Tracey & Taylor Parsons – Kyra
Angus Goodland – Harlie
AnnMarie Smith – Roxy
Elle Truscott & Luke Turner – Bosh
Jodi Smith – Mack-Killa
Danere Zadow – Phoebe
Cathy/Steve/Allan Devine – Rusty
Eddie Wearden – Lizzie
Matthew Appleby – Akiro
Fiona Smith – Charli
Chris Smith – Bender
Tanya & Amber Beavis – Lafayette & Okito
Peter McMaster & Tamara Rusby – Harper
Katheryn Creaser & Mark Smith – Kaspar
Trudie Bouwens – Harley
Hannah Mazik – Archie
Dianne Page – Tinka
Brayden White – Fly
Michelle Wardell – Pippa
Suzanne Hoppo – Millie
Jason Cook – Molly
Cressida & April Holliday – Molly & Phattie
Sharon Moore – Missy



GRADUATIONS

FEBRUARY

PUPPIES

Skye & Jett
Vicki Ryan & Mister
Trevor & Fiona Burr & Goldie
Zoe Beardmore & Maggie
Georgina Coventry & Indie

BEGINNERS

Anthony Aplin & Ralf
Sam Aplin & Lily— *Dog Of The Month*
Mark Osborne & Shia
Bob Parsons & Rusty
Helen Martin & Saatchi—*Dog Of The Month*

GRADE 1

Jack Everett & Toby
Sam Maiolo & Dakota
Joan Jones & Piper
Libby Colyer & Dusty—*Dog Of The Month*
Chris & Adey Stoker & Dexter
David Jukes & Molly
Matthew Leach & Duke
Sam & Amy Wight & Amanzi
Matthew Wilson & Lexi—*Dog Of The Month*
Mark Osborne & Shia
Kayla Dryden & Wilbur

GRADE 2

Lynda Simons & Millie
Jennifer Hills & Jena - *Dog Of The Month*
Robyn Tyndal & Kira
Susan Mitchell & Ace
Lyn Vale & Izzy
Damir Kolar & Diamond— *Dog Of The Month*
Tamsyn Hedger & Pippa
Gloria Taylor & Bella

GRADE 3

No graduations

GRADE 4

Kylie Air & Shylah—*Dog Of The Month*

GRADE 4A

No graduations



GRADUATIONS

MARCH

PUPPIES

Jason Weeks and Guinness—*Dog of the Month*
Phil Caddy and Tea
Kate Judd and Samson
Peta Robins and Levi— *Dog of the Month*

BEGINNERS

Sharon Sales and Pippa—*Dog of the Month*
Kobie Poulton and Mia—*Dog of the Month*
Michael Winter and Henry
Olwen Hill and Marley
Cathy Devine and Rusty

GRADE 1

Nicole Lahiff and Charlie— *Dog of the Month*
Trudie Bouwens and Harley— *Dog of the Month*

GRADE 2

Matt Wilson and Lexie— *Dog of the Month*
Libby Colyer and Dusty
Jack Everett and Toby
Andrew Butler and Mo
Kellie Smith and Indie— *Dog of the Month*

GRADE 3

Briony Kassebaum and Reggie
Lynda Simons and Millie
Jennifer Hills and Jena
Nicole Redden and Holly
Kerri Gould and Chloe— *Dog of the Month*
Robyn Keyes and Dusty
Lynn Vale and Izzy— *Dog of the Month*
Julie Jones and Bryn
Charmaine Kenner and Kishi

GRADE 4

Unetta Shugg and Obee— *Dog of the Month*

GRADE 4A

No graduations



AGILITY TRIALS 2014

May

- 17th (Saturday) Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 24th (Saturday) Southern Districts Kennel & Obedience Club - Agility Trial 10.00 am & 2 p.m.
- 31st (Saturday) Agility Dog Club of SA Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.

June

- 7th (Saturday) Spencer Gulf Obed. Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m. (& Obedience)
- 8th (Sunday) Spencer Gulf Obed. Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m. (& Obedience)
- 29th (Sunday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Agility 10.00 am & 2 p.m.

July

- 5th (Saturday) German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 12th (Saturday) Dogs SA State Agility Championships 9.00 am & 1p.m.
- 13th (Sunday) Dogs SA State Agility Championships 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 27th (Sunday) SA Obedience Dog Club Inc – Games Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.

August

- 2nd (Saturday) Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 9th (Saturday) Agility Dog Club of SA Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 16th (Saturday) Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc – Agility Trial 8.30 am & 12 p.m.
- 17th (Sunday) Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc – Agility Trial 8.30 am & 12 p.m.
- 24th (Sunday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Games Trial 10.00 am & 2 p.m.

AGILITY TRIALS 2014

September

- 5th (Friday) **2014 Royal Adelaide Show – Championship Show, Obedience Trial, Agility Trial, DWD Trial**
- 14th (Sunday) German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 20th (Saturday) Spencer Gulf Obed. Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.(& Obedience)
- 21st (Sunday) Spencer Gulf Obed. Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.(& Obedience)
- 27th (Saturday) Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.

October

- 11th (Saturday) Noarlunga City Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 18th (Saturday) Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 19th (Sunday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Agility Trial 10.00 am & 2 p.m.
- 25th (Saturday) Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 1.00 pm (& Obedience)
- 26th (Sunday) Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial 1.00 pm (& Obedience)

November

- 2nd (Sunday) Dogs SA State Games Championships 9.00 am & 1 p.m.
- 8th (Saturday) Southern Districts Kennel & Obedience Club Inc - Agility Trial 6.00 pm
- 22nd (Saturday) Agility Dog Club of SA Inc – Agility Trial 6.00 pm

December

- 31st (Wednesday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Jumping Trial 7.00 pm (& Obedience)
Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Agility Trial to follow

OBEDIENCE TRIALS 2014

May

- 4th (Saturday) Port Pirie Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trials 9.00 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- 5th (Sunday) Port Pirie Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
- 18th (Saturday) German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
- 19th (Sunday) Dover Gardens K & O Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 am

June

- 8th (Saturday) Shetland Sheepdog Club of SA Inc – Restricted Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.
German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Restricted Obedience Trial
Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trials 9.00 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- 9th (Sunday) German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Restricted Obedience Trial
Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m..
Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trials 9.00 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- 14th (Friday) Rottweiler Club of SA Inc – Restricted Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
- 15th (Saturday) Noarlunga City Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.
- 16th (Sunday) Dover Gardens Kennel & Obedience Club Inc – Rally Trial
- 22nd (Saturday) Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Endurance Test 8.00 a.m.
- 23rd (Sunday) Gepps Cross Dog Training Centre Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m
- 30th (Sunday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Agility Trial 1.00 p.m.

July

- 6th (Saturday) German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Agility Trials 9.00 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- 7th (Sunday) Port Adelaide Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial
- 20th (Saturday) Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.30 a.m.
- 21st (Sunday) Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.30 a.m.
- 27th (Saturday) Southern Districts K & O Club Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.
Gundog Club of SA Inc – Retrieving Trial for Gundogs

OBEDIENCE TRIALS 2014

August

- 3rd (Saturday) Golden Retriever Club of SA Inc – Restricted Obedience Trial
- 4th (Sunday) Rottweiler Club of SA Inc – All Breeds Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.
- 11th (Sunday) German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.
- 24th (Saturday) Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.

September

- 1st (Sunday) **Dover Gardens Kennel & Obedience Club Inc – Mock Obedience Trial**
- 6th (Friday) **Royal A & H Society Inc Royal Adelaide Show - Championship Show Obedience, Agility/Jumping & Dancing With Dogs Trials**
- 14th Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trials 9.00 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- 15th (Sunday) Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trials 9.00 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- 21st (Saturday) Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
- 29th (Sunday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.

October

- 6th (Sunday) S.A. Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 a.m.
- 13th (Sunday) Dover Gardens Kennel & Obedience Club – Obedience Trial 9.00 a.m.
- 19th (Saturday) Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial
Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial
- 20th (Sunday) Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial
Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc – Agility Trial

November

- 2nd (Saturday) SA Obedience Dog Club Inc – Obedience Trial 6.00 p.m.

December

- 31st (Tuesday) Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Obedience Trial 7.00 p.m.
Gawler Dog Training Club Inc – Jumping & Games Trial 7.00 p.m.

Fun Day

Sunday 25th May

on Club Grounds

after training

family, friends, ring-ins!



Welcome!

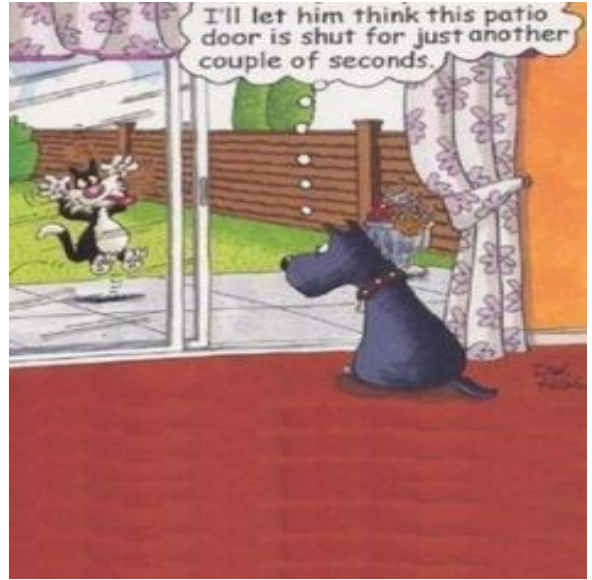
Free sausage sizzle

Loads of fun for you and your dog

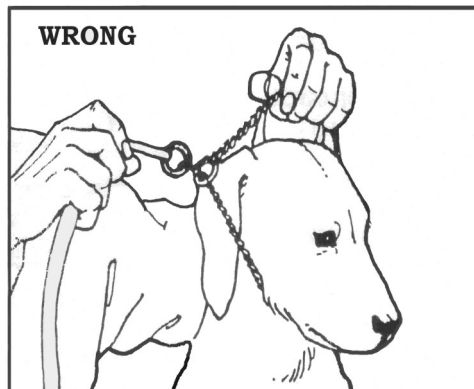
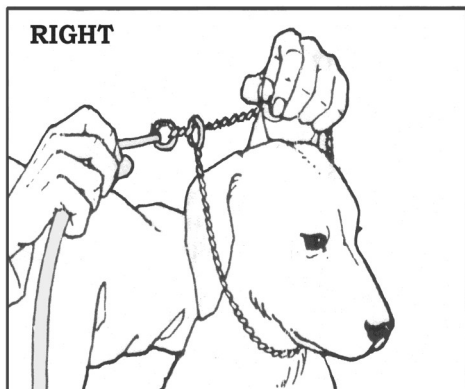
*How fast can your dog run?
How fast can your dog eat?
Who's got the smoothest coat?
(better brush Fido before you come)
Who's got the reddest tongue?
Who's got the cleverest trick?
And lots more.....*



*Think your dog fits the bill?
Come along and see.*



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OBEDIENCE

FEBRUARY & MARCH

<i>Club</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Place</i>
<u>Irene Doburzynski & Amber</u>				
State Champs	5/4/14	RallyO Adv	95	1st
<u>Pat Fickling & Lassie</u>				
SAODC	8/3/14	Open	189	passed
SDK&ODC	22/3/14	Open	189	3rd
State Champs	5/4/14	Open	191	1st
State Champs	5/4/14	RallyO Ex Adv	80	passed
State Champs	6/4/14	Open	189	1st
State Champs	6/4/14	RallyO Ex Adv	73	passed
PDODC	12/4/14	Open	183	2nd
<u>John Ficking & Candy</u>				
SAODC	8/3/14	Open	181	passed
SAODC	8/3/14	Utility	176	1st
SDK&ODC	22/3/14	Open	188	passed
SDK&ODC	22/3/14	Utility	180	1st
State Champs	5/4/14	Utility	171	1st
State Champs	6/4/14	Utility	179	2nd



AGILITY

FEBRUARY—MARCH

<i>Club</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Place</i>
<u>Robyn Brauer & Nuggett</u>			
ADCSA	1/3/14	Novice Strategic Pairs	1st
<u>Julie Jones & Bryn</u>			
NCODC	29/3/14	Novice Jumping	1st
NCODC	29/3/14	Novice Jumping	3rd
<u>Julie Jones & Georgie</u>			
ADCSA	1/3/14	Strategic Pairs	2nd
<u>Unetta Shugg & Meeko</u>			
NCODC	29/3/14	Masters Agility	5th
ADCSA	1/3/14	Excellent Strategic Pairs	8th
<u>Jennie Sullivan & Tevi</u>			
NCODC	29/3/14	Novice Jumping	2nd

TRIAL RESULTS

INSTRUCTOR'S PROFILE

UNETTA SHUGG

What is your position here at the club?

Agility instructor, obedience instructor, committee member and past head instructor for 3 years.

How long have you been a member of the Noarlunga City Obedience Dog Club?

11 years.

How did you first get involved in dog obedience/instructing?

After homing Jedda I needed her to listen and come back to me so off to training at Para District I went. 16 years later I am still training and instructing.

What breed of dog do you currently own?

Meeko—Poodle X and Obee—Havaneses.

Have you owned any other breeds?

Yes, a German Shephard.

What is your greatest dog moment/win?

Meeko and Martyn winning the State Championship in Excellent Jumping.

Name some of your other great dog achievements?

Jedda gaining her ADX Title in Obedience and her Masters Agility and Masters Jumping Title. Meeko with Masters Jumping and many other titles in Agility.

Is there any other ANKC discipline you have competed in?

Novice RallyO with Meeko.

What was your first pet?

A Little Pomeranium Terrier X Dog.

Do you have any other pets?

No.

Do you have any hobbies away from dogs?

Caravanning, patchwork and quilting.

Do you have any tips for Obedience or Agility training?

Make it fun for your dog. If you are stressed don't train your dog, it will only compound your dogs anxiety. Look back to see how far you have achieved with your training not how much the other dogs are doing.

BREED PROFILE

GOLDEN RETRIEVER

BACKGROUND

The Golden Retriever was first developed at the Scottish county estate of Lord Tweedmouth, during the 1860s, to assist in the retrieving of upland game and waterfowl. They were first imported and registered in Australia during the 1930s.

AVERAGE LIFESPAN

This extremely lovable dog usually lives up to 11 years of age, but with lots of love and attention and fed the right food Golden Retrievers can often live up to 13 years.

BREED PERSONALITY, CHARACTERISTICS & TEMPERAMENT

The Golden Retriever is an intelligent, affectionate dog, both active and powerful, with a kindly expression. The instinct to retrieve is still an important characteristic of the breed, however, the Golden Retriever's willing, adaptable nature and physical attributes make it an exceptionally versatile breed. It has been used in a wide range of activities such as gundog, guide dog for the blind, therapy pet, obedience and show dog.



COMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER PETS

Excellent.

CARE REQUIREMENTS

Although a longhaired breed, the Golden Retriever is easy to keep well groomed with regular brushing to prevent the hair from matting. Regularly check for ticks, fleas, grass seeds or any skin irritation while brushing your dog.

They are very sociable dogs and need companionship; they are not happy left alone in the back yard for too long and may become destructive. Never allow your dog to roam free unsupervised. Basic training is an important part of responsible dog ownership. Your Golden Retriever will learn to be a better companion, establishing a stronger bond with you and generally acquiring the good manners and obedient responses that will make it a social asset rather than a nuisance. Both male and female Golden Retrievers are easy to house-train.

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YOUR PET AND THEIR HEALTH

TAIL CHASING

Occasional tail chasing is normal for some dogs. It's especially common in pups in the weeks before they discover that their tail, that tantalizingly elusive plaything, is a body part. But when the behaviour persists beyond puppyhood, is intense and frequent, and leads to self-trauma, it is clearly pathologic. If your dog is exhibiting symptoms like Stella's, it's time to visit the veterinarian.

Your veterinarian will first want to do a full examination to rule out medical problems, especially ones that could cause itching or discomfort in the tail area. Fleas, skin disease, or impacted anal glands could be at fault. Burning or tingling sensations from nerve injury or a tumour could also set a dog spinning. Such medical conditions must be ruled out first.



Your veterinarian will then conduct a thorough behavioural history. He or she will inquire about the duration, intensity, and frequency of the behaviour. What is the dog's daily routine? Are there other pets in the home and how do they interact? What are the triggers? Are there additional bizarre behaviours? These details are critical for a proper diagnosis and treatment plan. Providing video of your dog's tail-chasing rituals can be invaluable.

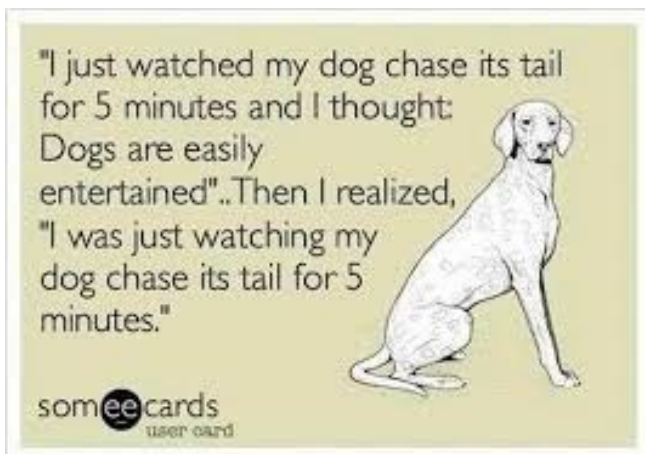
The behavioural causes of tail-chasing are often deep-seated, rooted in anxiety or frustration, with a touch of genetics thrown in (see box). So it can be a stubborn problem to fix. It requires commitment and a systematic plan. Quick fixes such as Elizabethan collars and tail docking (the surgical shortening of the tail) rarely work in the long run. They fail to address the underlying causes of the behaviour—and in fact may be considered inhumane—except in cases of medical necessity (i.e. as part of the treatment prescribed by a veterinarian for a severely traumatized tail). Your veterinarian or animal behaviourist are your best allies in addressing the problem.

Most behaviourists recommend starting with a head collar such as the Gentle Leader®. This enables the owner to calmly interrupt the behaviour, give praise, then redirect the dog to more suitable activity. Some dogs can be trained to relax and settle on command.

The next step involves removing or decreasing the anxiety, frustration or conflict that is at the heart of the problem. Establish a daily routine for your dog that includes lots of species-appropriate exercise, such as long walks, running, chasing and fetching. Work to alleviate oppressive circumstances, such as long periods of confinement. Keep your dog busy with obedience training, hide-and-seek games, and lots of fun toys (such as Kong Wubba Friends, CombatX Bow Tie Dog Bone, and Atomic Treat). Feeding toys are a great choice for dogs who suffer from separation anxiety or who must be left alone for long stretches. Address adversarial relationships with other pets or people. Seek your vet's advice for managing separation anxiety, inter-dog conflict, or fear of thunderstorms if these issues play a part. Herbal supplements may be helpful in some cases.

Behaviour modification should always be the cornerstone of treatment. But for chronic cases, drug therapy is often necessary as well. Anti-anxiety medications such as clomipramine or Prozac®, can work wonders for dogs like Stella when used with appropriate behavioural therapy. (**Note:** Medications should only be given to your dog by your veterinarian, or as per your veterinarian's specific instructions.)

Stella was a success story. After a full veterinary evaluation, and some antibiotics to help heal her tail, Stella was referred to a licensed animal behaviourist. Stella was fitted with a head collar and taught to settle on command. Stella's owner enrolled her in obedience classes, developed a more active routine of long walks and outdoor playtime. She hired a dog walker to break up Stella's long days alone. Anti-anxiety medication was also very helpful. Stella has gotten her life back. She still occasionally circles, but thanks to conscientious care, it's more like a victory lap.



Behavioural Causes of Tail-Chasing in Dogs

Anxiety, such as separation anxiety, social stress, or a fear of storms.

Boredom. Long days at home without enough stimulation or social contact

Frustration over a dilemma the dog can't resolve, such how to get over the fence or out of the crate.

Conflict. Wanting to play with other dogs but also afraid of other dogs.

Inadvertent reinforcement. Your amusement or displeasure at this behaviour may be just the encouragement your dog needs.

Genetics. Bull Terriers and German Shepherds are considered susceptible, and it can run in families of dogs.

Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD). It's thought that some tail-chasers may suffer from OCD, analogous to the condition in humans that's linked with compulsive hand-washing and other ritualized behaviours.

Partial Seizures. It's a tricky diagnosis, but some tail-chasers may have a rare form of epilepsy.



"He's at the difficult young age between chasing his own tail or the mailman's."



BACON FLAVOURED DOG BISCUITS

Serves: 25

Ingredients

- ◆ 2 eggs
- ◆ 1 cup milk
- ◆ 1/2 cup water
- ◆ 1 teaspoon of salt
- ◆ 10 tablespoon bacon fat, melted
- ◆ 5 cups whole wheat flour

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 175 degrees C. Lightly grease a cookie sheet.
2. Beat eggs in a large bowl. Stir in milk, water, salt, and bacon fat until well blended. Gradually stir in flour to make a stiff dough. Pinch off pieces of the dough and roll into 2 inch balls. Place on prepared baking sheet.
3. Bake in preheated oven for 35 to 40 minutes. Cool on racks. Store in a covered container in the refrigerator.



THE LIGHTER SIDE OF DOGS

WACKIEST DOG NAMES

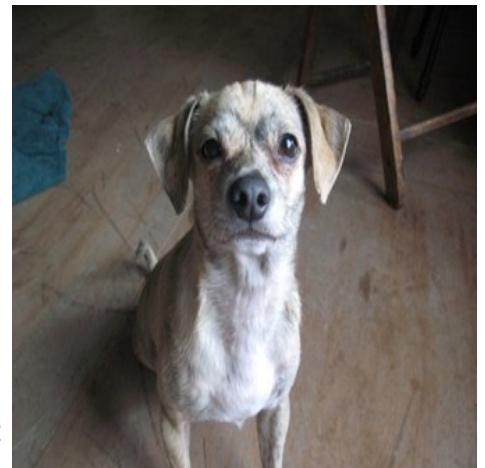
Pet Owners Describe How They Named Their Dogs

For many a dog owner, Max sounds mundane and Bailey is simply boring. In order to pay homage to those who take pride in their pets' unconventional names, VPI Pet Insurance set out for the third year in a row to find the 50 most unusual dog names in the United States. VPI employees selected 50 unusual dog names from the company's database of more than 485,000 insured pets, and narrowed them down by voting for the most unusual names in each category.

Here, the most popular dog-naming winners reveal how they came up with such quirky names.

Pickle Von Corndog

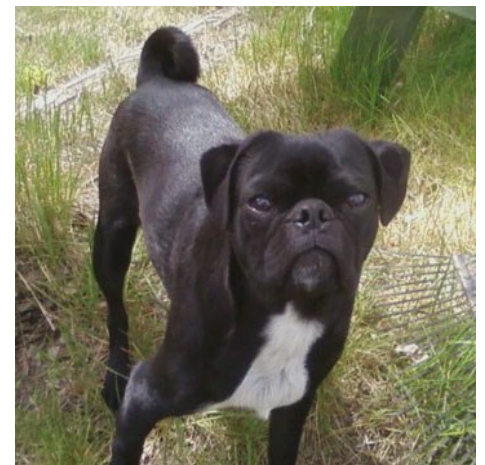
Sometimes a dog just looks like what he is, and for owners Jason and Siobhan Engdahl, their 1-year-old mixed breed looked like a "Pickle." "We like to pickle and brew things in our home," Jason says, "We happen to have a lot of pickle cookbooks as well. One day Siobhan came home with the little woofers, and I had just looked at a cookbook called "Pickled" and I said 'Pickle.' And Siobhan said 'Pickle,' and Pickle wagged his tail. It just seemed right."



The addition of "Von Corndog" came a few days later when the Engdahl's decided that name was a good one as well but that they didn't want to wait to add another dog to their home before using it. Thus, "Pickle Von Corndog" was born. Pickle's interests include resting in laps, hording tennis balls, tagging along during bicycle rides and, interestingly enough, foreign languages. "We recently found out that Pickle speaks French," Jason says. "After returning from a recent bike trip in France, we said "Cornichon! Allons-y!" ("Pickle! Let's go!"), and he responded the same way as when we spoke English. We really had no idea that he was so continental."

Lord Chubby Pruneface

When it comes to naming your dog, you don't want to repeat yourself. "My husband and I have a dog named 'Mr. Waddles,'" says Lord Chubby Pruneface's owner, Maryann Plettenberg, "so we didn't want to go with another 'Mr.' name. That would be too confusing." After tossing around more conventional monikers, inspiration struck when Maryann decided on the royal prefix "Lord" for the pug.



"We eat at a restaurant called 'Chubby's,' so that's how we came up with that. It's fun to say." However, the Plettenberg's felt the name still needed a little something extra. "We kept looking at him and looking at him, and we decided he reminded us of a prune because his face is wrinkly. So: 'Lord Chubby Pruneface'." While Maryann says she prefers pet names that are "different," she has her limits. "Just remember that at night, you're going to have to call the dog in," she says. "So you don't want to go with 'Here, 'Sissy Face!'"

Badonkadonk

"Badonkadonk" might not be the first name that comes to mind when you think of a lean, muscular Doberman pinscher. But as the saying goes, sometimes a name just fits. "Back when we got Badonkadonk seven years ago," says owner Melissa Hummer, "we had recently heard the word on a TV show. Then we heard it in the song 'Work It' by Missy Elliott. We liked the word and used to joke around saying the word with friends. As it happens, the little girls I was nannying for at the time thought the word was funny. When we got our new puppy, the little girls insisted we name him Badonkadonk and we thought it was perfect." Aside from placing 3rd in this year's VPI "Wacky Dog Names" list, Badonkadonk can count community service as another of his accomplishments. "He does charity work for a program called K9 Connection," Melissa says. "K9 Connection places at-risk youth with shelter dogs and helps the dogs get trained so that they are better candidates for adoption."



Ninjastar Dangerrock

If it weren't for owner Emily Meyer, you would not be reading about Ninjastar Dangerrock now. "Her given name at the shelter, 'Cinderella,' was not going to do," Emily says. "I adopted Ninja when she was 8 months old," she continued, "and she was already a fetch fanatic. At the shelter, they had small fenced in dog runs where we would throw the ball everyday until the paperwork went through for adoption. Occasionally, the ball would bounce off a tree in the middle of the run, and Ninja would actually run up the tree and acrobatically push off to catch the ball mid-air. 'Ninjastar Dangerrock' better exemplified her assassin skill set."



Ninjastar Dangerrock continues to love playing with her ball, either by making sure everyone she meets has a chance to have a round of fetch with her or by coming up with games to play by herself. "She's always playful," Emily says, "so I'll take her out in the morning before work, which can be pretty dark except for streetlights outside our yard. She went through a phase where she would only run in the shadows cast by the streetlights." Once a ninja, always a ninja.

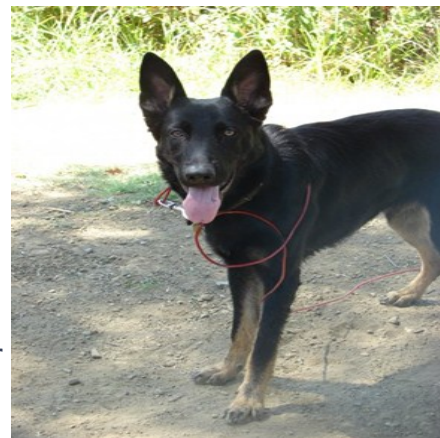
Molly McBoozehound

Erin Whitcomb likes to look at a dog's personality when choosing a name. And to Erin, her mixed puppy looked like a fighter. "She had a tough start," Erin says of her young mix. "She had ringworm and a lot of other health issues. As she got healthier, we thought of the 'Unsinkable Molly Brown,' and Molly stuck out for us even though it's so common." Erin and her fiancé went further and considered how the dog's markings might come into play. "She's a unique half-Lab/half-shepherd, we think, and the markings make her look like she's had a hard night of drinking. That's how we got 'Molly McBoozehound.'" Erin admits she occasionally gets funny looks when introducing Molly McBoozehound to new people. "People laugh a little bit," she says. "People are like 'Oh...' They probably think my fiancé and I drink a lot!"



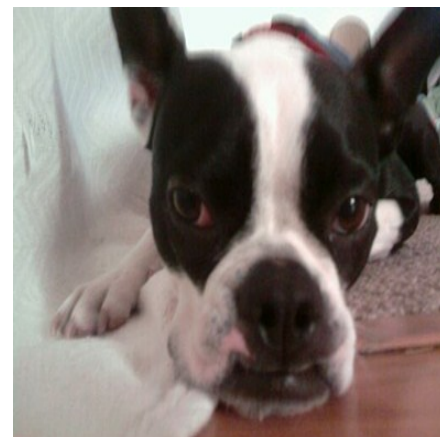
Dog Vader

Leave it to a kid to take a good name and make it awesome. “Dog Vader’ came from a long battle of naming our new family dog,” explains owner Heather Figueroa. “He’s a purebred male German shepherd and most owners like to name their shepherds with a German name. So, as we searched on the Internet and tossed around names, we came up with the name ‘Veder,’ a German name.” This is where Heather’s son came in. “He said, ‘How about ‘Vader’? You know, as in Darth Vader?’” Heather’s husband mulled that one over and eventually removed “Darth” and replaced it with “Dog.” Heather said people love the name and always get a laugh out of it. “They ask if he’s gone to the Dark Side,” she says. “Dog Vader is a very vocal shepherd,” Heather continues. “The sounds he makes can be quite funny. He’s a great soccer player, Frisbee catcher, Chuck-it fanatic, and loves a good butt rub.” Impressive. Most impressive.



Bettie Poops

What else are you going to do when your medium-sized Boston terrier bears a resemblance to a cartoon character and her defining characteristic is — well, we’ll let owner Patricia Kline explain it: “Bettie looks like Bettie Boop,” she says. “Little mole, black and white, and huge black eyes. But when we adopted her, she was very sick. She had serious stomach problems that caused her to ... poop.” In the years since finding Bettie Poops, Patricia has put her dog on a special diet of senior dog food and uses a slow down bowl to keep the dog’s sensitive stomach under control. “She’s fully healthy now,” Patricia says. “But she’s still gassy at times.”



Geez Louise

Bobby Mazza wasn’t so sure about getting a dog at first, but his partner Craig Caldwell talked him into visiting a Jack Russell terrier breeder. “They were so small and wiggling all over the place,” Bobby says of the Jack Russells swarming around his feet. “It was just constant movement. Finally Craig shouted, “Geez Louise, will you just stand still?!” In the middle of the puppy frenzy, one female stopped in her tracks. “Craig scooped her up,” Bobby said. “I said, ‘What do we call her?’ and Craig said, ‘I think she’s got her name already!’” Bobby wasn’t initially sold on “Geez Louise.” “I thought, my mother’s middle name is Louise – we can’t call her that!” While he was reluctant at first to take the plunge into pet ownership, Bobby said he has no regrets. “We’re even thinking about getting another dog,” he says. “We’re batting around the name ‘Good Gravy.’”



Barnaby Bones

Inspiration doesn't always strike immediately for new dog owners, and a little thought has to go into what to call the latest addition to the family. This was the case for the Grasska family. "We sat around the table with myself, my husband, our son and daughter and both of our mothers and just had a brainstorming sessions tossing out different names," says Grace Grasska. "All of a sudden my husband came up with 'Barnaby Bones,'" a play on the name of the 1970s TV detective Barnaby Jones. "It was an instant hit with all of us."



Although Barnaby Bones was 4 years old at the time of his adoption, Grace said he fit in with the rest of the Grasskas from the start and considers him "Mommy's little boy." She adds, "He isn't very social with other animals and doesn't even like seeing them on TV. If there are animals on the TV screen, he will jump off the couch or my lap and go after them. If they go off the screen, he goes to the side or back of the TV to see where they went. He is an absolute treasure and always brings a smile to our faces no matter what the day was like."

<https://www.petinsurance.com/healthzone/pet-articles/new-pets/Wackiest-Dog-Names-2010.aspx>

TALKING DOG FOR SALE

A guy is driving around the back woods of Montana and he sees a sign in front of a broken down shanty-style house: 'Talking Dog For Sale.'

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"You talk?" he asks.

"Yep" the Lab replies.

After the guy recovers from the shock of hearing a dog talk, he says, "So, what's your story?"

The Lab looks up and says, "Well, I discovered that I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help the government, so I told the CIA. In no time at all they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders, because no one figured a dog would be eavesdropping, I was one of their most valuable spies for eight years running... but the jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger so I decided to settle down. I signed up for a job at the airport to do some undercover security, wandering near suspicious characters and listening in. I uncovered some incredible dealings and was awarded a batch of medals. I got married, had a mess of puppies, and now I'm just retired."

The guy is amazed. He goes back in and asks the owner what he wants for the dog.

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