

WANGARATTA KENNEL & OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC

Welcome to all new members & their dogs for FEB

Articles of interest are welcome as well as Results from Trials or shows & other Official canine disciplines. Email to: maree@mcmmedia.com.au

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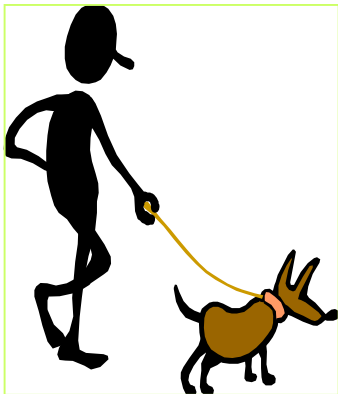
February, April, June, August, October, December

⇒ Results no more than 3 months old please

Welcome back everyone for 2013 another year with our volunteer members helping those who want more than just owning a dog, but are looking to enhance their partnership & understanding with their chosen friend. We hope that you get to experience the amazing abilities of dog and human working together as partners and working in sync.

Your instructors will endeavour to guide you and support your efforts while you are with us. Don't forget that we also need your help and support. Becoming a more active member in the club is an important way to enhance your own experience as well. We are always looking for people to help at our shows and trials & fundraising events to help make the club continue to be successful, these benefits are then able to be passed onto your training, classes & members. Hope your new year is a happy and successful one

... Happy training..

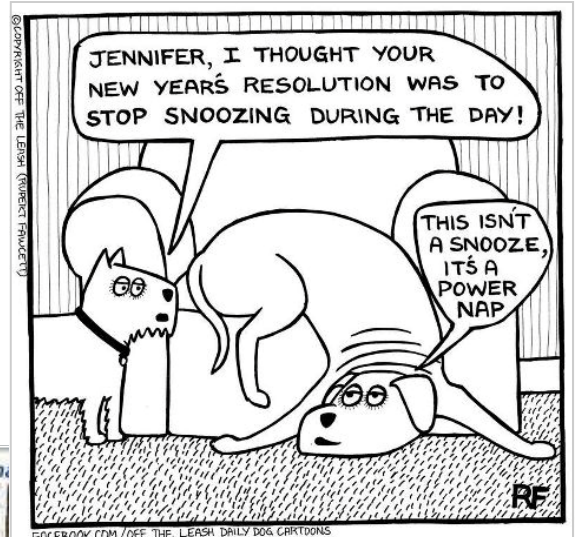
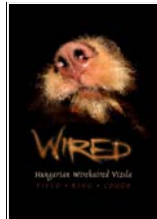


Our goal is to teach you and your dog to work together with respect

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Happy Valentines



SHOW RESULTS

Albury & border KC Champ Show 2012

Julie Hourigan's - Ovensview Santas Blitzen (Australian Shepherd)

BOB - Bitch Challenge

This gives Blitzen her Australian champion Title

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!



Amendment- for the members achievements 12 in /DEC issue

Canberra Champ Shows

Sarah Kennedy's - CH Brantarby winter Crusade

BOB - Dog challenge x2

Benalla Kennel Club Champ Show

Lovell & Evans - Krikka Sentimental Reasons (English Pointer)

RUBOB

G&L Lovell's - Lovewyre Hearts Desire (German wirehaired Pointer)

BOB—Bitch challenge



Club members activities during Club break



RETRIEVING TRAINING

Maree McCabe's - CH Habanero Emotional Rescue CCD (WHV)

& Linda Atkinson's - Todd (English Setter)



If you want to have fun with your dog, training it for something different and at the same time proving it has stamina and willingness to work with you, this could be the test for you.

Can you ride a bike at the same time as controlling your dog on the end of a loose two metre lead, or are you a runner who will be quite happy to run 20kms with your dog? If so, then read on.

This particular test is where all the various dog activities covered by DOGS Victoria can come together. This is your opportunity to meet people from disciplines other than the one you are already involved in.



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The endurance test is over a distance of 20kms and is split into three sections, the first being eight kilometres. The second and third are six kilometres. There is a break of 15 minutes between the first and second sections and 20 minutes between the second and third sections. All dogs are vet checked before starting, during the 3 breaks and at the finish. Dogs deemed unfit, unable to run beside the rider without fear or have cracked pads will be withdrawn



Before starting the Endurance test handlers & their dogs will be asked to participate in a basic obedience class before & after the test. This is to show that before the handler can control the dog and after that the dog is not totally exhausted

Rules for the Endurance Test is on the Dogs Victoria website. Click on "Get Involved" > "What is Endurance"> at the bottom click on rules for Endurance Test

Those of you interested in this and perhaps going for your endurance Test the Hungarian Vizsla club will be holding their annual ET on May 25th 2013. There will be a group of Wangaratta members going to Melbourne's KCC Park to enter the Test. If you are inter-

Clubs Christmas Breakup night

Our club had its Christmas breakup on the 12th December with a BBQ & fun night. Members came with their families and dogs and enjoyed the evening, mostly sitting and chatting together. Some members had a go at fly ball practice, Rally O & Agility, but I think most people just felt the need to socialize. We were happy to see four of our life time members join us Ruby Eggelton, Helen Hahne, Joyce Asquith & Marion Jones, . Santa arrived for the children and gave out lollies and stocking gifts, the kids had their photo taken with Santa, then it was the dogs turn to visit Santa and have their photos taken some dressed in their Santa gear. A beautiful spread of BBQ meats cooked to perfection and a wonderful array of salads were on offer followed by a wide selection of fresh fruits, cheeses and sweets. Thank you to those lady members who provided the salads & sweets & well done Grahame for BBQing the meat to perfection

Kevin gave a speech thanking everyone for their support throughout the year and the goals we had achieved before presenting 12 Title gifts to members ranging from Obedience, Show, Agility, & Rally O

2 raffles were on the go one a

\$200 fuel voucher which was won by -B Townsend

Christmas Hamper prizes full of Christmas goodies, dog treats & wine.

1st prize was won by Billie Louwrier ,

2nd Prize was won by Gary Lovell

3 rd prize was won by Amie Hourigan..

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL.

Money raised was the ; Christmas Hamper total was \$92.60. The \$200 fuel voucher total was \$350



Club News!

After discussion at the October club meeting, guest Justin Scholz (director) of the annual Gary Nash Marathon & fun run, gave an overview of the up-coming event, it was voted that the club would allow the Marathon & fun run to use our club facilities as a base on the 24th February 2013 for their annual marathon. Club members will be selling food & drink to those in attendance to allow the club to raise some funds. It was thought light foods such as de-ven-shire tea, slices etc would be appropriate. Sandwiches & fruit will be provided to competitors by the marathon committee.

Members will be sort closer to the time to volunteer their time with cooking and/or selling on the day. Next meeting will be in January to finalize arrangements with Justin.

New trial dates for MAY—Rally O & Obedience weekend

After many years of having had obedience trials in May & because of the lack of helpers to run the trial weekend, unfortunately the decision was made to abandoned the trials for some years. Fortunately our dates had been kept on the website and due to the new sport of **Rally Obedience** our club decided to re-apply for the trial weekend and was granted 2 Rally O trials & 2 obedience trials for May beginning this year. To make these trials successful we need everyone possible to help on the double weekend. **Rally O requires many more stewards than obedience so please all hands on deck.** Kevin has liaised with Lynn Klecka of OTEC to finalize the dates for Wangaratta and these are the **18th & 19th May 2013**. The new rules for Victorian performance sports of Obedience, Rally, Agility/Jumping will be that there will be no other Rally, Agility/Jumping/ Games or obedience trials allowed to run on the same dates anywhere in Victoria. I'm presuming this thinking is to get more entries to the trial that's running, 1 event per calendar date & no other club can run a trial anywhere in Victoria.

Not sure how country v city will work, but I guess the proof will be in the attendance on the weekend.

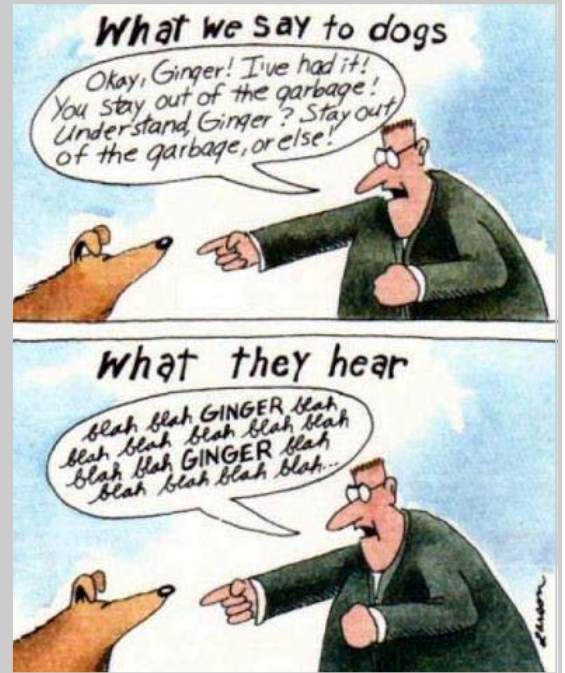
I'm very passionate about keeping obedience, Agility & now Rally in our region, so the good news is the country has an extra 2 obedience trials for country exhibitors, as well as 2 trials for Wangaratta for the new sport of Rally O. Please support this to keep the country viable for keeping our dog sports we love in our local region

We are now able to provide both here & Albury 12 Obedience Trials, 6 Rally O Trials & 4 Agility/4Jumping Trials per yr. For those who compete in Champ Show's there's a lot more options with Agricultural shows and Kennel club champ shows being held around the region throughout the year, so please support these dog sports to keep the country regions the place to lure the city folk out & experience what we have to offer. The NE & NSW Border region is rich and full things to see & do.



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GARY'S



26th
January

Australia Day @ Milawa. Club member Amie Hourigan in the donut eating competition



CLUB AGM

Our annual AGM will be on the 27th February. This means all 2012 committee positions become vacant and nominations for positions for 2013 committee are invited to be put forward.

Only financial members will be eligible to vote, but all members are invited to attend. This will be at 8pm in the clubrooms after the 7pm classes are complete

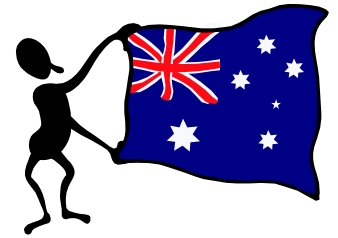
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2013

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR



- ⇒ CLUB ON CHRISTMAS BREAK, SO HAVE A HAPPY & SAFE NEW YEAR
- ⇒ 26th "HAPPY AUSTRALIA DAY"



Be careful of the new years resolutions you make. Be sure

It's a realistic goal you can stick to—like doing 5 mins training with your dog every day! - Goal a well manner companion

February 2013

Happy
Valentine's
Day

Wine & Chocolates Raffle, tickets will be available for sale @ \$1 each when club starts back. Buy some tickets, how nice it would be for your partner to receive this lovely gift from you if you win

- ⇒ INTAKE FOR FEBRUARY IS FIRST WEDNESDAY 6TH WITH LECTURE IN CLUB ROOMS 7PM SHARP—NO DOGS
- ⇒ WEDNESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY CLUB RESUMES WITH REGULAR 7PM & 8PM CLASSES
- ⇒ 10th Lions club swap meet, helpers needed please, the Lions Club pays the club for the work we do on the day.
- ⇒ 14th Valentines Day
- ⇒ 24th Annual Gary Nash Marathon & Fun Run, all members are invited to join in with walks from 2km Primary school challenge, or a 5km or 10km walk or run. Individually or as a team, unfortunately no dogs are allowed for insurance reasons. We need volunteers though to cook and/ or sell goodies to raise some funds.
- ⇒ 27th CLUB AGM. , all members welcome to attend. Existing committee step down and nominations are invited for vacant positions. Only those who are financial members are entitled to vote.

March 2013

Do you have Leprechauns in your garden?



- ⇒ Intake for beginners Wednesday 6th with lecture in club-rooms 7pm sharp—NO DOGS
- ⇒ 17th St Pats Day Celebrations
- ⇒ 23rd & 24th Albury & Border KC Double Obedience, Agility & Jumping Trials. Entries close 1st March.

