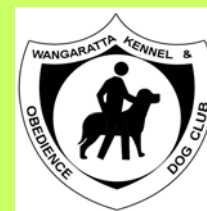


Newsletter

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

Newsletter publications are:

February , April, June, August, October, December

⇒ Results no more than 3 months old please



Our goal is to teach you to train your dog to walk on a loose lead!

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WANGARATTA KENNEL & OBEEDIENCE DOG CLUB Inc

Obedience Report

Our Obedience classes have been running very well for the last couple of months, with beginner's class averaging between 5-8 new members per month. Members participating in the beginner's appear to be enjoying the positive reinforcement training. It's also pleasing to see so many handlers continuing to come to training even on the cold frostie night's, keep up the great work. To the Instructor's who are again excelling with their classes and continue on with the great transformation of dogs and handlers improving week after week.

I have also noticed in the previous intake of beginners, seeing some handlers who have been past member's coming back and joining us, welcome to them. I have been told of a couple of new member who have shown interest, and would like to assist us with Instructing. This would be great for our club to have these interested members on board as possible future instructors .

Our current Instructors are still working to complete the transition over to the positive reinforcement training, and completing the guidelines of our new method of training, so please bare with us until this is completed, hopefully this will be done very soon. I will be holding another Instructors meeting early July to assist us to get this finalised.

Until my next report

Keep up the great training

Kevin Felmingham

Chief instructor





TRAINING WEEKEND

To be held on
3rd & 4th July 2010
At Rutherglen

(Contact Noel Scicluna for details re venue & map- see below)

The club will host a training weekend on the above dates. This will be an excellent opportunity for old and new members to come along with their families and dogs and participate in all aspects of gundog training – i.e. retrieving, field & scent trailing. The weekend will be also be a fun, social activity, where members can camp out and have a get-together around the campfire.

***** PLEASE NOTE *****

Participants will need to bring along their own food, refreshments and accommodation (i.e. tents etc).

A small cover charge of \$5-00 per participant to be donated to WCV Inc.

It is important we get an idea of numbers of attendees for the weekend, so please ~

***** RSVP TO NOEL SCICLUNA ON: 5429 2238 or 0447 992948 *****

**Alternatively, you can email Noel on:
nambea1@bigpond.com**



Ruby Eggleton



Ruby's retirement dinner on the 21st May was a celebration enjoyed by many members in the club including quite a few past members who came to give Ruby a happy send off into retirement. She was honored by members relating stories and accolades of her 38 years involvement with the Wangaratta Club. Ruby is pictured with from left, Helen Hahne (founding member of obedience side of the club), Joyce Asquith & Marion Jones (back) all of whom have contributed

many hours to our club over the years. Kevin Felmingham (Chief Instructor) gave a lovely speech on behalf of the club along with flowers, and gift to Ruby's for her dedication and loyalty.

Ruby commented she had a lovely time. Everyone cooked and bought along a hot meal or sweet which ended up being a beautiful banquet of various dishes and yummy sweets. Kevin decorated the club room in green and gold with streamers & balloons making a drab room the look of a party atmosphere. Thank you to all who



contributed to making the night successful. Mikayla Lovell and Reily Platfuss (The youngest member) also enjoyed themselves.



Banquet table of yummy food was enjoyed by all. Thank you everyone

SHOW RESULT

Wangaratta Stock Foods and Farm Supplies

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Ovens Valley KC - 10/4

R & T McIntosh's

Abrolhos King of the Pride (Rottweiler)

Challenge Dog , BOB & Best puppy in Group 6

R & T McIntosh's

Allerzeit Ashen Feonix (Rottweiler)

Challenge Bitch, RUBOB Rottweiler

Corowa & Districts KC - Sat 1/5

R & T McIntosh's

Abrolhos King of the Pride (Rottweiler)

Challenge Dog

Albury & Border KC Sun 2/5

R & T McIntosh's

Allerzeit Ashen Fletcher (Rottweiler)

Challenge Dog & BOB

TRIAL RESULTS

TODDS TASTY TREATS—100% Natural dog treats

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G & L Lovell's

CH Korskoat American Idol (German Wirehaired Pointer)

Passed Endurance Test ,giving Forest his Endurance Title


CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

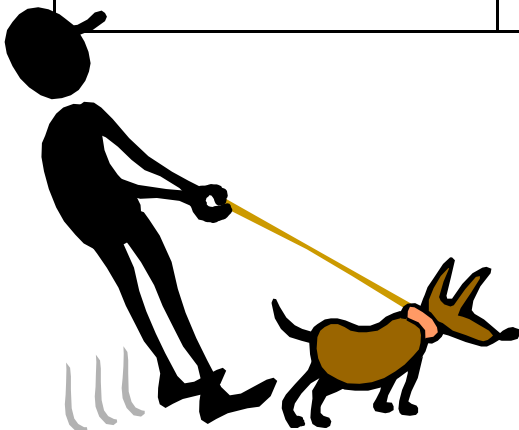
Janet Palmer's

CH Coppertop Rumor haz it (Doberman)

Passed Endurance Test, giving Thor his Endurance Title

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

<p>JUNE 2010</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Intake of beginners class Wednesday 2nd June, with lecture night 7pm in clubroom. ⇒ Closing date for Albury KC trial 18th June ⇒ Wangaratta Kennel & Obedience Dog Club Champ Show—27th June ⇒ Wangaratta KC meeting 30th June 8pm, no advanced classes that night.
<p>JULY 2010</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Intake for beginners class Wednesday 7th July, with lecture night 7pm in clubroom. ⇒ Gundog Training Day 3rd & 4th July—Rutherglen ⇒ <u>Entries close</u> for WK&ODC Double Obedience/Agility/Jumping Trial <u>19th July</u> ⇒ Albury KC Trial 17th & 18th July ⇒ Shepparton & District KC's Champ Show 11th July ⇒ Wangaratta KC meeting 28th July, no advanced classes
<p>August 2010</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Intake for beginners class Wednesday 4th August, with lecture night 7pm in clubroom ⇒ Wangaratta K&ODC Double obedience & Agility/Jumping trial 14th & 15th August. ⇒ Wangaratta KC meeting 25th August, no advanced class that night.



Look back & Forward

Million Paws Walk demonstration Again our club was asked to do a demo for the million paws walk this year. Due to many members unable to attend it was left to Claire Weeks and Kevin Felmingham to promote our club.



They did this by creating a rally obedience course for the community to have a go at. This being a bit like a rally orienteering competition. The participant and their dog start with 200 points have to follow a signed course and completing certain commands successfully finishing the course points. The handler & dog try to complete the course losing the least amount of points. The handler with the highest score is the winner.

This was a very successful year again with the feedback being very positive from the million paws walk coordinators and the public who attended.

Endurance Test

Congratulations to two members who undertook the Endurance Test the Hungarian Vizsla club holds in May at KCC Park each year. At the age of eight CH Korskoat American Idol handled by owner Gary Lovell (forest) completed the 20 km course and was the second oldest dog in the group.

Unfortunately the oldest a Vizsla aged 10 was forced to withdraw due to health issues. The other member was Janet Palmer's CH Coppertop Rumor Haz it (Doberman) .Thor was handled by Chris (Chook) McCormack . The



endurance test is a 20km course. To start the dog's are vet checked and have to complete a basic obedience test showing that the dog & handler can work together, either having the dog run beside a bicycle, or the handler jogging at 10km per hour in formation controlled by a judge and an official leading the group over varying surfaces of grass, gravel and road surfaces. Two 15min breaks are given where the dog is vet checked & assessed, before being able to continue. At the completion of the course the dog is again taken through a short obedience test and is then assessed as passing and gaining an Endurance Title. Well done to both members & dogs

Chocolate fundraiser drive

The club is in the process of having a chocolate drive to raise funds for upgrading the club grounds and buildings. The aim is to raise \$20,000 which is the club contribution towards the grant submission the club is currently putting in for. Any ideas or suggestions for raising money, or perhaps donations from individuals or businesses would greatly help the cause. This is after all for the benefit of the greater community and their doggie friends. Responsible pet ownership is the focal point of the club and a better awareness of caring for your dog's physical, and social needs makes owning a dog a pleasure not a pain. Think about it, no suggestion will be overlooked.

