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### Your Committee for 2019-2020

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### Editors Note:

Hi Everyone,

I hope you have been keeping safe and well during these uncertain times.

Its certainly good to be back, and with this bi-monthly edition we've got lots of news and articles to cover.

Unfortunately our Obedience, Rally & Flyball trials scheduled for May and also our Agility trial for June were cancelled, but we're busy in the planning stages for our 2021 trials.

Our AGM is coming up in September, see page 7 for all the details.

Did you know we now have a new 24 hour Emergency vet in Shire. They are called Veterinary Specialists of Sydney and located at 106 Parraweena Road Miranda just near the Taren Point IGA.

Please stay up to date with club news and activities on our website and Facebook pages, we have had a rise in COVID-19 cases over the past few weeks, and if we do need to suspend training again due to Government restrictions we will notify you via these pages.

Have a great August & September ~~ Shanelle & Kadie ~~





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There are various books and DVDs in the clubhouse library cupboard. Just ask Andrea or Wendy if you would like to borrow any.

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## Notice to All Members

Our club enforces a no dog attack policy.

Whereby means if your dog has attacked another dog or human you will be asked to purchase from the clubhouse (or elsewhere) a muzzle to use whilst on SSDTC grounds during training sessions.

Please understand that the enforcing of this policy is for the safety of our trainers, members and their dogs

Removal of the muzzle at a future date to be decided by senior instructor(s) assessment on the aggressive dog..

Thank you for your understanding.



## President's Report

### Return to Training

After much paperwork and many telephone calls the Club was finally given permission by Sutherland Shire Council to recommence on 5 July.



As no one knew how many new members would join it was decided to run Kindergarten and Class 1 for the first 2 weeks so that all of the instructors who were returning would be available. For the club to remain open the distancing of 1.5m required for COVID-19 and all of the protocols in the guidelines submitted to the Council such as class sizes and spacing on the grounds must be adhered to at all times. Also, for further protection of members EFTPOS facilities are now available at the club.

### Welcome to Training

Welcome to the 70 new members who have joined the club in the first 3 weeks since the recommencement of the club following the COVID-19 shut down in March. Welcome back to training all of the continuing members many of whom must have been practicing for their return to class as there has been successful gradings from Class 1 to Class 2. Every dog has a different personality and potential. During the time spent in Class 1 you will have begun to understand how your own dog behaves and also continued your dog's socialization with other dogs and people.

Grading from Class 1 to Class 2 is a significant achievement. After working hard and reaching this milestone it is important for your dog's progress that training continues in Class 2. As you progress through Class 2 the basics you have learnt in Class 1 will be reinforced and your dog will learn to be more stable when introduced to new situations that might be encountered.

### <u>Renewals</u>

There will be no renewal fees required until the end of June 2021. However, all continuing members are required to complete and sign the membership form for insurance purposes.

I hope you enjoy your time spent at the club. Remember that all of the instructors are always willing to answer your questions to help you to be successful in training your dog.

Pam Hazelton President

## Nose to Tail

The club has available to purchase copies of Louise Harding's newly published book Nose to Tail. They are \$17.50 and available at the clubhouse.

A guide to what's inside ...

A Holistic Guide to Training Your Dream Dog Do you dream of owning a loving, obedient, well-mannered dog? Do you find yourself overwhelmed by your dog's bad behaviour? Do you want to train your dog and don't know where to start?



## SSTDC 2020 Calendar.

### Class Start/Stop Dates and Special events

| First Day of Training | Sunday, 2nd February 2020                     |
|-----------------------|---|
| No Training           | Sunday, 12th April 2020 (Easter Sunday)       |
| No Training           | Sunday, 17th May 2020 - SSDTC Obedience Trial |
| No Training           | Sunday, 14th June 2020 - SSDTC Agility Trial  |
| Last day of training  | To be Advised                                 |

### **General Club Events and Meeting Dates**

| Instructors Meeting    | The First Sunday of every month after General Training  |
|------------------------|---|
| Committee Meeting      | The Second Sunday of every month after General Training |
| Easter Party           | Sunday, 5h April 2020 (to be confirmed) CANCELLED       |
| Annual General Meeting | Sunday 13th September 2020                              |
| Christmas Party        | To Be Advised   |

### Obedience/Rally-O Trials

| Sunday, 17th May 2020 CANCE |
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### **Agility Trials**

| June Trial | Sunday, 14th June 2020 CANCELLED |
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|            |                                  |

### **Tracking Trials**

May Trial Sunday, 10th May 2020 CANCELLED

### Fly Ball Musters

May Muster

30th May 2020 CANCELLED

#### Note:

Daylight saving Times changes for (Australian Eastern Standard Times) 2020 are:

Štops Sunday, 5th April 2020 @ 2:00am (Clock are turned "Back" 1hr)

• Starts Sunday, 4th October 2020 @ 2:00am (Clock are turned "Forward" 1hr)

### Friendly Reminder

Don't forget to take your used poop bags with you after training.

### "Please Do The Right Thing"



## SSDTC AGM NOTICE SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2020

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 13 September 2020 at 9.30am at the SSDTC clubhouse.

All members are welcome, this is where committee positions are decided/ voted for and finalised, you should come along.

Would you like to be part of a great team? Come and have a chat our current committee members before the AGM to see how you could contribute.

## What have we been up to?

From mid March (which seems so long ago) when all dog training activities ceased our Committee has continued working in the background. Many chats via phone, Zoom, Skype, some further upgrades to the clubhouse including new signage, revamped internal flooring along with a new cabinet to display all the wonderful shields & trophies. We've also been busy producing training videos for our Youtube & Facebook pages, and not to mention the completion of paperwork required to get us back to training a few weeks ago. Big thanks to everyone on the committee over the last few months, a mammoth job, well done!!



Did you know we now have an Eftpos machine?

# Welcome to our New Members



#### Allana Jolly and Aleks Ristic of KIRRAWEE with Finnish Lapphund Luna Joanne and Mark Frearson of BONNET BAY with Australian Shepherd Ace Nicole Ellis and Peter Grassmayr of GYMEA BAY with Rottweilers Ruby & Clea Jay and Bianca Shaw of SCARBOROUGH with Australian Kelpie Daisy Suzanne New and Sarah New of HEATHCOTE with Cavoodle Charlie Brendan Walker and Jo-Anne Brecin of PADSTOW with Cattle X Kelpie Ollie Susan and Craig Vardy of CARINGBAH with Chow Chow Dasiy Caroline and Jude Pardey of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Labrador Retriever Ollie Lindsey and Raymond Halbert of ENGADINE with White German Shepherd Douglas Christine and Jay zmuda of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Miniature Dachshund Bella Charlotte Le Riche-Smith and Helen Le Riche-Smith of BANGOR with Beaglier Malia Bronwyn and Rade Musulin of KIRRAWEE with Boxer Maggie Ilona Hibowska and Santos Govindrulu of SYLVANIA WATERS with Golden Retriever Benji Chris and lobel Crealy of PENSHURST with Kelpiex Border Collie Smocha Sarah and Peter Harknes of JANNALI with Groodle Summer Allan Dunnett of LOFTUS with Border Collie X Poodle Bean Anastassia Brian of HURSTVILLE with Corgi Selkie Nathan McMillan of BANGOR with Stayy X Greman Shepard Biscuit Natasha Welsn of ENGADINE with Cavoodle Jet Charlotte Ringland of ENGADINE with Kelpie X Koolie Banjo Jennifer Nicolopoulos of BRIGHTON-LE- with Pugs Leroy & Ruby Susan Tymms of LOFTUS with German Shepherd Dog Ava Breannon Coglan of MENAI with Border Collie Rufus Natalie Papachristos of COMO with Labrador X Collie Chase Angelique Zappia of ENGADINE with Finnish Lapphund Oscar Tarryn Quinnell of ENGADINE with Finnish Lapplithd Oscal Tarryn Quinnell of ENGADINE with Bull Mastiff X Nala Yannick and Prateepp Potin of ILLAWONG with Border Kelpie Scotch Jono Newson and Peta McMurray of WOOLOOWARE with Rhodesian Ridgeback Spike Emma and Katie Dehoon of WORONORA with Labrador Retriever Baylee Lisa and Lachlan Travers of SUTHERLAND with Staffordshire Bull Terrier Ivy Narelle and Michael Bretherton of HEATHCOTE with Fox Terrier X Cocker William Lorraine Ratcliffe and Clive Hodder of ILLAWONG with Labrador Retriever Quincy Matt Mutkins and Mel Kanenjasevi of MAIANBAR with Border Collie Bronson Angela and Elizabet Reardon of BURRANEER with Golden Retriever Gypsy Janette and Walter Chapman of KIRRAWEE with Toy Poodle Suggle Pie Louise Keo and ??? Keo of PLEASURE POINT with German Shepherd Dog Austin Daniel Walton of BANGOR with Border Collie Flynn Michaela Watts of ENGADINE with Pug Rosie Roz Sanchez of BLAKEHURST with Hungarian Vizsla Murohy Jason Fuller of ILLAWONG with Labradoodle Maxy Joanne Ashford-Cox of CRONULLA with Border Collie Milo Kim Du Toit of CARINGBAH with Miniature Schnauzer Dexter Catherine Stephenson of KIRRAWEE with Border Collie Coco Erald Elizalde of MIRANDA with Groodle Luigi Sean Green of LOFTUS with German Shepherd Dog Milly Lisa Partridge and Darren Norford of BONNET BAY with Staffordshire Bull Terrier X Ziggy Patrick O'Brieh and Rachel O'Brieh of WORONORA with Labradour Milo Ciara Read and Andy Ward of WOOLOOWARE with Bulldog Teddy Ericia and Ryan Zaragoza of ENGADINE with Siberian Husky Bandit Emma Stephen and Joshua Freeman of ENGADINE with Australian Kelpie Joey, Toy Poodle Millie & Australian Kelpie Lily Zachary Leishman and Kim Leishman of ENGADINE with Border Collie Nigel Katrina Brown and Ian Brown of WORONORA with Labradoodle Archie Ashleigh MacLaughlin and Emily Miller of PENSHURST with Staffordshire Bull Terrier X Nyx & Staffordshire Bull Terrier Ares Leanne Chipchase and Josh William of HEATHCOTE with Bordadoodle Bingo Georgia Westlake and Kelly Westlake of MENAI with British Bulldog Billy Clayton Forrest and Victoria Forrest of WORONORA with Labrador Retriever Lola Shannon Mazurkiewic and Andrew Mazurkiewics of HEATHCOTE with German Shepherd Dog Lucy Sam Nabhan and Kendall Gibbons of ENGADINE with Rottweiler Barrett Tracey Jones and Christopher Jones of KIRRAWEE with Cross Breed (Unknown) Kevin Bacon Margaret Boswell of SUTHERLAND with French Bulldog Betty Jodie Kane of ENGADINE with Labradoodle Milo Cheryl Goulder of ALBION PARK RAIL with Toy Poodles Tillie, Lucy & Tia Marousa Polias of BANKSIA with Griffon Bruxellois Zsa Zsa Kyra Early of GYMEA BAY with Labradoodle Poppy Rebecca Payne of BANGOR with Miniature Schnauzer Audrey Beth Scobie of GYMEA with Spinone Italiano Badger Natalie Vasquez of PICNIC POINT with Cavoodle Luna

### <u>March</u>

Chris and Rachael D'arcy of PICNIC POINT with Miniature Schnauzers Tilly & Scout Chris and Anne-Marie Lawford of LOFTUS with Cocker Spaniel X Max Liam Rogers and Jacqui Rogers of ENGADINE with German Shorthaired Pointer Frankie Eve Trickey and Ale Descarrega of KAREELA with Pugaliers Buddy & Charlie Jonathan Daddo and Andrew Wright of JANNALI with Husky X Vizsla Charlie & Beagle Hound Mikey Jake Newman and Tayla Stevenson of HEATHCOTE with American Bulldog Rocky Eliza and Peter Hunter of HEATHCOTE with Staffordshire Bull Terrier X Ryda Michael and Kate Waters of GYMEA BAY with Staffordshire Terrier Narla Lorraine Alouan of GYMEA with Border Collie Stella Stefania Kybowicz of GYMEA with Cocker Spaniel River



# Welcome to our New Members



#### <u>July</u>

Chen John and Amanda Rider of HURSTVILLE with Japanese Spitz Dax Debra Jackson and Mark Pilling of GRAYS POINT with German Shorthaired Pointer Frankie Teagan Whittingham and Johnathon Ellis of ENGADINE with Australian Cattle Dog Buddy Josh and Karina Gorham of KAREELA with Cattle Dog X Jed Lisa Eger and Indy Ellis (Eger) of GRAYS POINT with Cocker Spaniel Louis Roslyn Campbell and Robert Yates of ENGADINE with Schnoodle Beckie Peter and Caroline Flynn of BONNET BAY with Groodle Paddy Jade and Peter Martini of HEATHCOTE with Australian Shepherd Harvey Nichole and Doug Dickson of HEATHCOTE with Australian Kelpie Axel Ryan Benecke and Amy Debonis of CARINGBAH with Border Collie Bowie Rebecca and Jon Wells of HEATHCOTE with Australian Bulldog (Aussie) Roxy Kristie Gilford and George Galopoulos of WORONORA with Australian Cattle Dog X Tilly Sandra and Diana Samson of ILLAWONG with Labradoodle Tessa Ryan Buchanan and Jessica Declauzel of WORONORA with Australian Kelpie Lilah Katia and Ross Barker of YOWIE BAY with Manchester Terrier Roxy Sharon and Anthony Collon of CARINGBAH with Boxer Mason William Serjeantson and Emma Paxton of LOFTUS with Golden Retriever Vex Shae and Thanh McFadyen of DOLLS POINT with Cocker Spaniel Minnie Liz Daykin and Amelia Jenkins of THIRROUL with English Springer Spaniel Tessa Clare and Lucas Ritchie of ENGADINE with Border Collie X Kelipe Rusty & Border Collie X Kelpie Ryker Justine Carter and Aiden Roberts of SYLVANIA with Golden Retriever Bailev Tony and Sandy Moore of SYLVANIA WATERS with Bordoodle Zoie Mark and Estelle Paterson of CARINGBAH with Miniature Schnauzer Pickle Kosta and Susie Dakis of KIRRAWEE with Whippet Dobby Matt Cuskelly and Lorna Van Hilst of ENGADINE with Border Collie Olive Sarah and Yvette Prratt of ENGADINE with Cavoodle Rosie Chayse and Brooke Fergurson of HEATHCOTE with Amercian Staffordshire Indie Ian and Peta Condon of ENGADINE with Bordoddle Scout Ros and Stephen Herron of ENGADINE with Tibetan Terrier Ollie Colin and Tania Marstin of CARINGBAH with Staffordshire Bull Terrier Silas Shane and John Dyson of OYSTER BAY with Staffordshire Bull Terrier Raj Andrew Murray of JANNALI with Great Dane Willow Catherine Ollivier of KAREELA with Bordoodle Ziggy Daniel Gillbert of JANNALI with Australian Kelpie Bindi Karina Black of CARINGBAH with Australian Kelpie Tully Martin Conneely of CARINGBAH with Miniature Poodle Archie Melanie Birt of BUNDEENA with Collie X Staffy Scout Karina Willett of CARINGBAH with Spoodle Archie Nicole Donnelly of SYLVANIA WATERS with Labrador Retriever Bob Stephanie Jefferys of ENGADINE with Cocker Spaniel Kona Naomi Green of CRONULLA with Kelpie X Huntaway Freddy Rene' and Hendrik Van Der Merwe of CARINGBAH SOUTH with German Shepherd Dog Jimmy Amy and Mark Deeks of HEATHCOTE with Australian Kelpie X Luna Tegan and Heidi Stonier of SYLVANIA with Border Collie Harlee Chris Bailey and Shannon Harley of CRONULLA with Whippet Magnolia Sandy Whelan and Geoff Shuttlewood of JANNALI with Labrador Retriever Ollie Scott and Cooper Whitwey of ALFORDS POINT with Cabrador Isabella Stacy and Emily Hahn of YOWIE BAY with Labradoodle Winnie Danielle and Craig Anderson of MENAI with Groodle Maisie Sue and Doug Jammieson of JANNALI with Beaglier Lilly Alan Stubbs and Helen Tam of COMO with Kelpie X Border Collie Louie Jess Fredericks and Steve Tamatoa of LOFTUS with Bull Mastiff + Amstaff Harley Fiona Chandler and Steve Howell of JANNALI with Labrador Retriever Chester Toni Cavers of HURSTVILLE with Mexican Hairless Shiloh Kimberly Ward of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Toy Poodles Molly & Murphy Janelle Reynolds of OYSTER BAY with Cavoodle Milly John and Kristen Edwards of ENGADINE with Labrador Retriever Roxy Paul and Michael Baker of GYMEA with Australian Kelpie Billie Nicole Chen and Brandon Blanc of KIRRAWEE with German Shepherd Dog Buddy Amalie and Ben Anderson of VOYAGER POINT with German Wirehaired Pointer Tonto & Irish Wolfhound Spud Brian Lo and Therese Yim Lo of BLAKEHURST with Australian Cattle Dog X Rudi & Border Collie X Kelpie Narla Benjamin McIntyre and Angie Lithgow of CRONULLA with Groodle Penny Bredan Ford and Ciara Bucham of KIRRAWEE with Hungarian Vizsla Maple Carina Vitelli of ENGADINE with German Shepherd Dog Billie Belinda Pellow of BUNDEENA with Cross Breed (Unknown) Poppy Jennifer Dunk and of MIRANDA with Groodle Tillie Jessica Shields and Darren Harris of BRIGHTON-LE- with Bordoodle Loki Alice and Greg Shirley of CRONULLA with Staffordshire Bull Terrier X Stella Trudy Bidwell of CRONULLA with Amercian Staffordshire Elkie



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### SSDTC New / Existing Members Training Policy

#### What is the purpose of this policy?

We take the welfare and wellbeing of our members seriously. This policy outlines our current expectations & procedures for new and existing members who attend training during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Government directives and the law

This policy represents our approach to dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. However, this policy is in all respects subject to any overriding Government directive or law.

We refer you to the various Government websites which contain up-to-the-minute information on Government policy on COVID-19.

Your health and safety are paramount to us, and we are actively reviewing and taking steps to ensure that our training area remains safe and COVID-19 free.

#### What specific measures are we taking?

To maintain a safe environment and ensure the health of all our members who are attending training and others that accompany them, we will

- Endeavour to provide and maintain a safe environment for all;
- Provide information, instruction and supervision to you so far as we can to promote your health and safety;
- Provide adequate facilities for you to practice good hygiene. This includes hand sanitiser, soap, disinfectant spray, and tissues;
- Integrate health and safety issues into all of our decision making;
- · Put in place mechanisms for monitoring members' health and safety whilst training

#### What specific measures do we expect you to take?

While training you must:

- Follow all aspects of this Sutherland Shire Dog Training Club Inc Policy;
- Take reasonable care to ensure your own health and safety, and that of fellow members. For example
  Have exact monies due for ground fees, registration fees and the like and any required documents pre
  completed to avoid use of common use pens and pencils;
- Not place others at risk or jeopardise the safety of our training environment by any act or omission. For example, coming to training while unwell;
- Follow any safe procedures or protocols that we implement from time to time;
- · Cooperate with us to meet our statutory health and safety obligations;
- Observe social distancing at all time;
- Not attend training if you feel unwell or if you believe you may have come into contact with someone who is unwell;
- · Regularly take steps to clean up or wipe down any equipment or other surfaces that you have used;

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- Practice cough etiquette (keep away from other people, cover coughs and sneezes with disposable tissues or clothing); and
- Wash your hands thoroughly and regularly
- Use your own or provided hand sanitiser as required.

#### Responsibilities of Committee and Instructors

- To ensure that during training members are at least 1.5 metres apart at all times
- Ensure that non-training people on the grounds remain at least 10 metres from training groups at all times or remain in their vehicle
- If possible hold committee meetings outside.
- · Ensure that surfaces/equipment that multiple people touch are regularly cleaned and disinfected;
- · To have sanitiser points and signage available to members
- To keep members informed of current protocols in place for training.

#### Should I attend training if I think that I may be diagnosed with COVID-19?

If you think that you may have symptoms of coronavirus, you should immediately do the following:

- Inform us via email or a telephone call if you have trained with us within the last three weeks;
- Not attend training under any circumstances; and
- Immediately seek medical advice.

#### What should I do if I am at training and I start feeling sick?

If you are feeling unwell while at training, you must immediately notify a club official, you will be directed to go home.

#### Returning to training when symptoms have resolved?

If you wish to return to training, you must provide us with a medical certificate confirming that you are COVID-19 clear.



## CLICKER TRAINING AT S.S.D.T.C.





Clicker Training is a fun and effective training method based on positive reinforcement which has been around for many years and is used in puppy school and worldwide.

The clicker (as shown on left) is a simple plastic box that you click when the dog has done what you have asked, followed by a reward of food or use of a special toy, whatever the dog responds to best.

Sutherland Shire Dog Training Club has a Clicker Class that runs on Sunday morning. It's all about positive training and you can join this class at any time. However, it's always better that your dog has done some training so they understand basic commands.

As your dog learns and progresses your dog will start to understand that every time they do the right action, you will click and they will be rewarded. This is how dogs learn and even older dogs can learn using this method.

At Clicker Class we aim to make training enjoyable, fun and rewarding in a positive way for you and your dog. Happy training means a happy dog, happy dog means a happy trainer.



We hold two classes every Sunday, Beginners and Advanced, and we welcome all members of the club to join one of our classes. Our instructors are:

- · Lorraine Jones: Obedience & Clicker Instructor
- Julie Burness: Obedience & Clicker Instructor

The use of clickers is another way to train your dog and are used in a lot of activities in the club. It's an extension of the clubs' training system and has also helped many dogs with minor problems.

We hope to see you at a Clicker Class soon!



Note: When grading from classes you cannot use food or clickers. Clickers can be bought from the Club House, cost \$5.





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# ANIMAL REHAD+ KLINIK

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# Training Tips



### **POODLE CROSS PUPPY OWNERS - GROOMING TIPS**

Getting your puppy used to being touched is very important. It builds a bond of affection between you and your dog, but it also enables you to handle him safely in situations such as check-ups at the vet and visits to the groomer, where different parts of his body will be prodded and poked. Grooming provides an opportunity to introduce your dog to your touch and is essential for his general health and well-being. It covers a range of activities from bathing, ear and eye care, nail trimming, checking teeth and of course clipping (especially for poodle cross breeds and similar non-shedders). Dogs can become seriously uncomfortable and/or unwell if grooming is neglected.

As an owner of poodle cross dogs, including a Spoodle, Cavoodle and recently two Groodles for over 15yrs and a groomer of many dogs for 13yrs, I have some experience with the needs of these dogs in particular. A poodle cross dog has the advantage of generally being a non-shedding breed, but if you purchase one, you need to be aware that regular grooming will be required. If not addressed your dog could suffer badly from matting and associated skin irritations.

Speaking from experience, I would strongly suggest bathing your puppy about every **2-3 weeks** (more often, if he rolls in something muddy/smelly). At every opportunity, from the time you bring your puppy home (usually around 7-8 weeks), gently handle his paws, turn ears back, examine teeth and generally get him used to being touched. This is best done when he is tired and always make it a positive experience. This will assist greatly when he needs to be bathed/groomed. A bath should be as stress free as possible, with rewards provided for good behaviour. Dry him off, then comb or brush him gently, while giving him treats or a favourite toy to play with to distract and keep him calm. Handled correctly your puppy will soon learn to enjoy this time with you.

It is a very good idea to get your puppy familiar with being brushed/combed early. It will pay huge dividends later. I personally prefer to comb my dogs with a steel dog comb, as a brush will often not allow you to identify any knots that may be present. If you find a knot, it is important to remove it carefully with round topped grooming scissors (available in supermarkets) or with a stripping comb/brush. The longer you leave it, the bigger the knot will become.

Since poodle cross dogs have coats similar to wool, it must be kept trimmed (especially in Summer), to avoid overheating and matting. I do not clip my puppies until around 5 - 6 months of age, depending on the weather conditions. Puppy coats generally do not require clipping before this age, provided you do not allow knots to form. Most professional groomers will shave your dog if you bring him in with a heavily matted coat. It is too painful for the dog and they simply do not have the time to painstakingly remove all knots (it can take hours believe me I know!!).



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When taking your puppy for his first groom, ask for a quiet day at the salon and let them know it is your puppy's first groom. He will be bathed, conditioned and given a clip. The groomer should also check your dog's ears are clean and free of excess hair to avoid ear infections, trim the fur around the eyes, shorten the nails and check his teeth. Unless you are aware of the hazards, it is probably best to leave this to a professional, since it can be tricky and if your puppy has a bad experience it will stay with him for some time.



When combing/brushing your dog pay particular attention to the following parts of his anatomy that are more prone to knotting resulting in discomfort.

- the armpit area behind the front legs and lower abdomen between the hind legs.
- the fur between the toes knots here encourage sand/dirt collection and cause irritation.
- the ears and the collar/neck area.
- the dogs rear end and tail.

The use of harnesses and coats can promote knotting as well from the constant rubbing. All of these problems can be kept under control by combing/brushing once or twice a week.

I would strongly recommend having your **dog clipped every 7 - 8 weeks** ( after the first puppy groom) with at **least 2 baths between grooms**. A shorter coat is appropriate in the summer months.

If you can afford the time to follow these recommendations, I can assure you, your dog will not only be kept looking his best, but will be a happy and healthy best friend.

I am only too happy to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to ask me on Sunday mornings at the club. I am however, retired from dog grooming, since my own dogs keep me well and truly busy these days.

#### Bonnie Guillan.

(Deputy Chief Instructor - Sutherland Shire Dog Training Club).



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\* NOTE THIS REPORT WAS WRITTEN IN MARCH \* \*

lity Round-Up

The Corona 19 virus has certainly created havoc around the world and Australia with mandatory Isolation used as a means to control the spread. Dogs NSW has not escaped the pandemic with the forced termination of all training, trials and use of Dogs NSW ground until further notice. At this point in time the pandemic may also see the cancellation/postponement of the Agility Nationals being held in Perth at the end of May.

However, before the cancellation/postponement of all Agility trials around the State a couple of trials were conducted and the Sutherland results are as below.

#### Dogs NSW Agility Committee Fund Raiser Trial held at Hawkesbury—Saturday 29 February



After the horrendous fires that devastated the East Coast of Australia came the rain and floods. This Trial was to be held at the Dogs NSW complex at Orchard Hills but it was not only underwater but additionally suffered substantial damage so it was relocated to Hawkesbury Dog Club's ground at Windsor. Sutherland Club members who attended have provided their account of the Trial.

Jennifer Fahey's Sheltie, Teagan had her first Qualification in Master Jumping and a Non-Qualifying Third Place in Excellent

Agility 300 height.

Robyn Israel's Schnauzer achieved excellent results with Archer gaining a Novice Agility Qualification and First place (there were 19 dogs in his 300 height class), plus a Pass in Novice Jumping and Second place (there were 13 dogs in his 300 height class).

A great start to the season! Let's hope we get some more trialling in later in the year!

#### Newcastle trial over weekend of 7th and 8th March

With a lot of communication back and forth with Sutherland ex-pat Joanne Collins it was decided that Carol Wallace and I would catch up with Jo at this trial. Unfortunately, the owner of the dog that she has been training and would have run had taken ill and hospitalized. Therefore, Jo ended up having to pull out of the trial. And as Carol and I had only entered Saturday it was up in the air whether we went; but that decision was helped along when it had been raining the week prior. The alarm woke me up Saturday morning at 4.30 am, I noted that it was raining and decided that I was too old and grumpy to drag myself out of bed for the two and a half hour drive only to have Bentley run a-muck in the mud, so pulled the covers up and went back to sleep.

But there were some real troopers from Sutherland that said to heck with the weather, lets get there and support Newcastle Club by attending their trial! And here is their account of proceedings.

Sandra Hindmarsh: We only went Saturday. It was teeming when we arrived. Puddles everywhere but it eventually fined up. The grounds were good and the courses were excellent. Judge Brian Hillier always has nice courses. Pippi came First in Novice Jumping 200 Height and only needs one more jumping pass to gain her title. On the upside, we won a \$20 dog massage in the raffle. Pippi certainly needed it as she ran both days at the Canberra Royal Flyball the weekend prior.

Also only attending on Saturday was Sandra Walker with Kip (pictured). Sandra recounts driving up, with sister Lyn, early that morning in torrential rain, but remarked that the rain did ease and fined up in the afternoon. Kip had an absolute blinder in Novice Jumping 500 Height with a First Place. Course time was 50 Seconds – Kip did it in 18.59 seconds. Blink and you would have missed it. She had the fastest time over all heights. Sandra said she gave up trying to keep up with her and just yelled directions! Did not have the same luck in Novice Agility. The course had some difficult challenges especially for a fast dog.







It was the first Agility Trial for our Club Secretary, Heather McConnell and dog Gemma. At the conclusion of the weekend Heather decided that she is going to trade Gemma in for a new model! Really!.... I will swap you Bentley for Gemma any day..... Second thoughts, maybe not – would not wish Bentley on anyone!

Saturday jumping - Gemma acted as though she'd never been on a course before, looking around and so anxious. The Agility trial was no better where she missed the tyre but ran a nice course where I felt she was more connected with me that time. She also missed the last weaver.

On Sunday Gemma again missed the tyre in both Agility and Jumping. Gemma finished the Agility course but so distracted, and in Jumping I pulled her out she was so bad. I know I need to work on her anxiety in the ring which is causing her to completely disconnect with me. However, I really enjoyed the Agility Trial environment and hopefully Gemma will overcome her anxiety. For Nga Bustamate it was her first trial for the year.

On Saturday Pepe started with Open Agility, the exclusion zone was very difficult, there is only one qualifier out of 72 competitors. Pepe performed the exclusion zone with ease but then he just ran past the tyre on the way home that resulted in one fault, still he came third. He Qualified with a Third place in Master Agility and had one fault in Open Jumping.

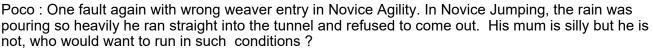
Entered just two events on Sunday: Clear round but overtime in Master Jumping and a qualification in Open Agility.

#### Coffs Harbour Trial – 14th & 15th March

I only received results from Nga for this trial, and she recounts: Saturday :

Pepe : One fault in Master Agility & a Qualification in Open Agility. Poco : (photo) just turn 18 months and this was his first trial : One fault in Novice Agility due to wrong weaver entry, one fault in Novice Jumping due to handler's fault but still came Second. Sunday : raining heavily all night and continue to rain in the morning. Tthe ground was really soggy.

Pepe : one fault in Open Jumping, he kicked a bar so hard on the way home that he was limping afterward so no more running for him.



#### **REMINDER:** There will be no Agility Training until further notice.

We were aiming to recommence around August or September but what appears to be the emergence of a 'Second Wave' of the Pandemic is giving us some concern, even Dogs NSW have closed their Office and grounds for the second time this year. Plus, the ruling that only one person can be in the equipment shed makes it difficult to extract the gear needed for training and that ALL equipment used, even Tunnels, has to be sanitised prior to and after training was just proving to be unmanageable. There was some thought given to running a Beginner Agility Course, but after realising the volume of equipment that we use for Beginners, it was apparent that this also was not going to work.

However, some of you have been enthusiastic and worked out ways to train at home. Heather McConnell sent me some photos of her front yard which has now been transformed into a training ground for Gemma.



**PLEASE** stay safe, adhere to Virus warnings, sanitization requirements and Social Distancing. Because the sooner we can curb the Virus the quicker we can get back to some normality and better still..... Agility Training.





## SYDNEYSIDERS FLYBALL

#### Sydneysiders first flyball comp for 2020 was a 2 day comp at the Canberra Royal.

We had 2 teams entered – The Panzers came 2nd in Open division with the team consisting of Bentley, Brock, Tugga, Logan (from CDC), Ripples and Jett. Team captain Cathy Vaughan (from CDC). The Munchkins came 3rd in Division 2 with the team consisting of Jett, Tahnee, Dallas, Pippi, Bentley and Tugga. Team captain Sandra Hindmarsh.

We are missing a couple of our regular dogs. Our reliable Echo from the Panzers is unfortunately out with an injury. Hopefully he will be back racing with us soon. Also Bix our start dog for the Munchkins has had to go into an early retirement from flyball due to illness. All our dogs ran consistently over the 2 days of racing in very hot and windy conditions.

Special mention to Debbie, Cheryl and Bree and the rest of our support crew who came along to help out over the weekend.



## On the 14th March Sydneysiders attended the Norwest Flyball Club competition at Castle Hill. The teams entered were –

Sydneysiders in Division 2 consisting of Brock, Jett, Ripples, Bentley and Jaxon. Team captain Sam Bowman Munchkins in Division 4 consisting of Shelbie, Tahnee, Pippi, Molly, Skittles and Darcie. Team captain Sandra Hindmarsh

Puddle Jumpers in Open Division 1 consisting of Dallas, Jett, Cookie, Aria, Wiley and Onyx. Team captain Louise Stephen (Maximum Velocity)

The weather wasn't kind to us and after dodging quite heavy rain and strong winds the competition was cancelled at the end of the first round. Even though the competition was cut short every team had run enough races to get a result for the day. All three of our teams came away with a first place in their division. Puddle Jumpers winning every race and Munchkins and Sydneysiders only losing one race each.

A big thank you to Bree with Ripples who came along at short notice to fill in for Rosemary and Tugga.



# Obedience Tails (February, March & July)

### Northern Suburbs Dog Training Double Dances with Dogs Competition—23rd February 2020

Leslie Rowling & Dannie Am Trial - SHTM 3rd Place 150 Points & SFTM 4th Place 148 points PM Trial - SHTM 1st place 155.5 points & SFTM 2nd Place 150 points Robyn Israel & Logan

AM Trial – Freestyle Novice Qualification 156.5 points, 3rd place PM Trial – Freestyle Novice Qualification 160.5 points, 2nd place and Freestyle Novice Title! This gives Logan his 28th title over 5 different disciplines at 7 years of age!!



### Cessnock Dog Training Club Obedience & Rally O Trial-29 February 2020

Heather McConnell & Gemma AM Trial—Rally Novice - Qualification / 89 points PM Trial—Rally Novice Qualification / 84 points & gained their Rally Novice Title!!

### Blue Mountains Dog Training Club Obedience & Rally O Trial—Saturday 4th July 2020

Linda Bebington & Bear (Bear's first ever trial!!) CCD 2nd place

Linda Bebington & Clancy Rally Advanced B 3rd Place Rally Excellent B 2nd place

Linda Bebington & Banjo Rally Masters 2nd place Rally Advanced B 2nd place Rally Excellent B 3rd Place



# Grading Awards February, March & July 2020

Class 1 to 2



Stephen & Myle; Aaron & Thor; Carol & Sasha



Renee & Bailey; Neil & Napa; Kyra & Poppy



Angelika & Luna; Michaela & Rosie; Breannon & Rufus



Sophie & Monty; Janene & Stuart; Jono & Spike

Class 2 to 3



Eric & Sprinkles; Jana & Diesel; Abigail & Milo



Maddison & Leia; Cherie & Evelyn; Ellen & Wesley; Mark & Izzy



Karine & Diesel



Liz & Tessa; Sarah & Freddie; Jennifer & Ruby; Jade & Harvey; Nicole & Bob; Chayse & Indi; Jennifer & Lily



Heather & Sam, Linda & Bear

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## Grading Fundamentals



#### Revised October 2016

### Kindergarten /Club Introduction <--- {Grading takes place each week at end of class}

Handlers are introduced to the club, informed on basic dog to handler communication and shown basic commands. Handlers and their dog are in this class for one week only.

### Class 1 to 2 <-- {Grading takes place every Sunday at end of class}

Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs verbally and repeat commands. Checking a dog is not penalised. <u>{Clicker & food rewards (luring) are permitted!}</u>

Core Elements —> Handler is to demonstrate a level of communication between them and their dog is being established. Handler may touch, encourage and direct the dog during all heeling patterns

Heeling:-With a loose lead. (as much as possible) execution of left and right turns, sits and basic handling.

Handling: Handler is to demonstrate a knowledge/ability to communicate commands to the dog

### Class 2 to 3 <-- {Grading takes place 2nd Sunday of each Month}

Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs verbally, but only occasionally repeat commands. Checking a dog is penalised, consistent checking of the dog will result in a failure. <u>{No clicker, food rewards (luring) is permitted!}</u>

Core Elements ---> Loose Lead (Leash) all paces, Sit stay and drop (or down) stays Handler beside dog

- **Heeling:** at all paces with a <u>loose lead.</u> Sits and stands using signal and voice only. Downs <u>without force</u> although the dog may be 'guided' down by the check chain.
- Stays: (A) Sit, <u>handler beside the dog</u> for 1 minute. (B) Down, <u>handler beside the dog</u> for 1 minute.

Handling: based on the handlers ability to communicate commands.

## Class 3 to 4 <--- {Grading takes place 3rd Sunday of each Month}

Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs verbally but only <u>issue one command</u>. Handling the dog or the use of check chain will earn a penalty. Consistent checking must be failed. <u>{No clicker, food rewards (luring) permitted!}</u>

- Core Elements —> Loose Lead (Leash) all paces, Automatic sit, Stand for examination, Sit stay and drop (or down) stays Handler in front of dog {1.5 m minimum}
  - **Heeling**: at all paces with a loose lead. Sits to be automatic. Stands and Downs using signal and voice only. Handler is not to touch or guide the dog into any directed position.

Stand For Examination: with dog beside handler. (Dogs' paws are not to move during examination)

Stays: (A) Sit, <u>handler in front of dog</u> for 1 minute. (B) Down, <u>handler in front of dog</u> for 2 minutes.

Handling: based on the handlers ability to communicate commands.

## Class 4 to Club Medal <--- {Grading takes place 4th Sunday of each Month or as required}

Three qualifying passes to Dogs NSW trial standard --- > Community Companion Dog (CCD) Standard

Handlers should not encourage their dog verbally, and only issue one command. Handling the dog or the use of a check chain earn a penalty (repeated checking will be failed). <u>{No clicker, food rewards (luring) permitted!}</u>

Core Elements are —> Loose Lead (Leash) all paces, Automatic sit, Stand for examination, Recall, Sit stay and drop (or down) stay's Handler in of front dog {2.0 m minimum}

Heeling: at all paces to an advanced standard (Automatic sits, stands and downs signal and voice only).

Stand for Examination: As in a CCD Trial with the handler in front of the dog to the length of the leash.

- **Recall:** 4 metres off lead, *handler returns* to dog or *Dog to be finished* as requested by grader (NOTE if the dog moves as the handler returns a failure will result).
- Stays: (A) Sit, handler in front of dog for 1 minute.

(B) Down, handler in front of dog for 3 minutes.

Handling: based on the handlers ability to communicate commands.

### Club Medal Excellent <--- {Grading takes place 4th Sunday of each Month or as required}

Three qualifying passes to Dogs NSW trial standard —- >Novice (CD) Standard

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# <u>A REMINDER TO EVERYONE</u>

### Vetting starts 15-20 minutes BEFORE Classes

### The vetting tables close 5 minutes before classes start.

Please BE ON TIME and IF POSSIBLE have the CORRECT GROUND FEE as a courtesy to your fellow club members.





## FEES & COMMODITIES

New Members

| (including joining and membership fees | ) |
|--|---|
| Single \$25.0                          | 0 |
| Dual\$25.0                             | 0 |

Student/Pensioner .....\$15.00

Annual Membership Renewal Fee \$15.00 (Due June 30th each year– Will be accepted from 1st Sunday in April of each year)

| Single/student/pensioner | \$10.00 |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Dual                     | \$15.00 |
| Weekly Ground Fee        | \$3.00  |

# MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE

| LEADS (Leash) \$6.00 TO \$10.00                            |
|--|
| 10M (33') LEADS \$20.00                                    |
| Training collars \$20.00                                   |
| DUMBELLS \$5.00 (Approx.)                                  |
| METAL BADGE\$1.50  |
| INSTRUCTION MANUAL\$8.00                                   |
| CLOTH BADGE \$5.50   |
| LIBRARY BOOKS, Videos, etc \$20.00<br>(REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT) |
| Club Cap\$14.00  |
| Adult's Polo Shirt\$40.00                                  |

| Adult's Polar Fleece Ju | mper \$45.00 |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Adult's Polar Fleece Ve | est\$34.00   |
| Adult's Tracksuit Jacke | t\$47.00     |
| Adult's Tracksuit Pants | \$30.00      |
| Tea & Coffee            | \$1.00       |
| Soft Drinks             | \$1.00       |
|                         |              |

## TRAINING AND CLASS TIMES

Dogs accepted from 4 months old. All dogs must be fully vaccinated with C5 vaccination which includes Kennel Cough.

Certification required on commencement of membership and updated annually.

### SUNDAY MORNING

| Kindergarten8:30 to 9                      | :30 am |
|--|--------|
| (During Daylight Saving 8:00 to 9:00 am)   |        |
| Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5                      | :30 am |
| (During Daylight Saving 8:00 to 9:00 am)   |        |
| Flyball 10:00am to 1:                      | :00pm  |
| (During Daylight Saving 10:00am to 1:00pm) |        |
| Demonstration Team7:30 to 8                | :15 am |
| (During Daylight Saving 7:00 to 7:45 am)   |        |

### **Currently Tuesday**

| The Help Class (By Invitation Only - Enquire at Clubhouse)7:00 to 8:30 pm |  |
|---|--|
| Rally Obedience (Rally-O)7:30 to 9:00 pm                                  |  |

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Agility Training (Beginners & Intermediate/Triallers) ....7:15 to 9:30 pm Demonstration Team (Enquire at Clubhouse Sunday morning) 7:30 to 8:30 pm

| All Correspondence to: | The Sutherland Shire Dog Training Club |
|------------------------|--|
|                        | PO Box 231 Sutherland NSW 1499         |

Telephone: (02) 9521 1633 (Clubhouse, during training hours)

### **GROUND RULES**

- Members must be in class by the time specified. Instructors have the right to refuse entry to the class if you are late.
- All dogs must be vetted by the class instructor or appointed vetting officer before commencement of training. No dogs will be allowed onto the field before being vetted.
- 3. Members without membership cards may be refused admittance to class.
- All dogs must be immunised against Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvovirus and Para influenza and Kennel Cough. Current inoculation certificates must be produced when renewing membership.
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- 5. No bitch in season will be allowed to attend training.

- 6. All dogs must be kept on a leash at all times unless under the supervision of an instructor.
- 7. The handlers of dogs which foul the grounds must immediately clean up with the equipment provided.
- 8. Classes using the Club jumps and/or agility equipment will be responsible for returning the equipment to the equipment room after use.
- 9. Members shall at all times behave courteously to other members and officials of the Club.
- 10. Any disputes should be referred to the Chief Instructor at the time of the dispute.

"We would like to acknowledge the Dharawal people, who are the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we meet, and also pay our respects to all Aboriginal people, Elders past and present of the Dharawal Nation."