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▶ Editor's Note



Lee Collett

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Welcome to this bi-monthly edition of The Wag Magazine. As always, it's a joy to bring you the latest happenings in our vibrant dog-loving community. Whether you're here for training tips, event updates, or just a few heartwarming pup stories, we hope this issue brings a smile

to your face and keeps you connected to our club. A big thank you to everyone who contributes photos, articles, and ideas!

When your human is the editor of the magazine, you get to be on the front page ;) but if you want your dog featured in the magazine drop me a line at editor@ssdtc.com.au

▶ President's Report



Brian Jarrett

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new members that have joined since the last edition. We hope you are gaining all the training and advice you need to enjoy your dog.

Membership renewals are due from 1st May this year. This is to allow the implementation of our attendance recording process. We have to introduce this to meet our obligation to the council to provide participation numbers for their Summer and Winter periods.

On a serious note, we have had a poor response for volunteers to assist in the running of the Obedience/Rally Trial on Sunday 17th May. There is no training on this day, so, to any of our members that would like to give back to the club, your help will be greatly appreciated. It's a really good day and you don't need any experience, you will be guided through everything you have to do. If you can help out, please give your details to the team in the clubhouse or speak to your Instructor. Without sufficient volunteers, it may put this event at risk.

With this in mind, we also host an Agility Trial on 14th June, another great day that we would love to have more help with.

Remember with Daylight Saving ending on Easter Sunday April 5 (no training on this day), training times from April 12 will commence at 8:30am.

▶ New Members

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Charles Donnellan of ENGADINE with Oscar
Tania Barry of OYSTER BAY with Border Collie Gemma and Border Collie BANJO
Paula Bentley of with Australian Shepherd Kash
Nicola Bower of JANNALI with Poodle x Benny
Paul Clark of KINGSGROVE with Collie Rough Cosmo
Anna Collier of SUTHERLAND with French Spaniel x Sasha
Lindsay Coram of EAST HILLS with Jack Russell Terrier Benson
Josie Crawford of CAMPERDOWN with Border Collie x KT and Border Collie Trix
Enrico Cruz of KIRRAWEE with Poodle Monty
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Annette Evans of GYMEA BAY with Daisy
John Farrant of KURNELL with Border Collie Nyx
Fraser Fletcher of MENAI with Poodle x Willow
Emily Flood of WORONORA with King Charles Spaniel x Billie
Melanie Gallagher of GYMEA with Jack Russell Terrier x Burto
Kennedy Gilmore of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Australian Cattle Dog x Buddy
Oscar Grech of COMO with Labrador Retriever Sunny
Meredith Halgren of BUNDEENA with English Springer Spaniel x Daisy
Nicola Hall of CRONULLA with English Cocker Spaniel Gracie
Dean Herbert of CARINGBAH with Golden Retriever Flame
Matt Ibbotson of LOFTUS with Golden Retriever Poppy
Scott Jones of ENGADINE with Miniature Schnauzer Boomer
Dimitra Joubran of PADSTOW HEIGHTS with x Nala
Amy Kenny of HEATHCOTE NSW with Border Collie x Bella
Alex Kranitis of BANGOR with Australian Kelpie Alfie
Peter Kranitis of BANGOR with Australian Kelpie Alfie
Caroline Labour of KINGSGROVE with Collie Rough Kate
Gino Mammoliti of AMBARVALE with Mastiff x Saxon
Sanni Mattsson of MIDDELTON GRANGE with Australian Shepherd Gucci
Niall Mc Darby of SUTHERLAND with Bernese Mountain Dog x Arlo
Kate Meares of MIRANDA with Labrador Retriever Molly
Bec Monohan of JANNALI with Australian Shepherd Buckley
Patrick Morton of SUTHERLAND with Bernese Mountain Dog x Baxter
Simon Nailer of COMO with Labrador Retriever x Teddy
Flynn Owen of LILLI PILLI with Border Collie Zephyr
Ian Pickering of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Border Collie Kira and Border Collie Belka and Border Collie Bella
Anita-louise Rankin of STREAM HILL with Australian Shepherd Django
Jacob Richards of ENGADINE with Australian Cattle Dog Blu
Jason Robinson of WOOLLOOWARE with Golden Retriever x Ben
Grace Rogers of ENGADINE with Border Collie Rusty
Nadia Schwartz of GYMEA with x Raffa
Jennifer Sciberras of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Poodle x Mocha
Renaë Stuart of MIRANDA with Australian Cattle Dog Heaven
Michael Vong of TURRELLA with Siberian Husky Kirby
Mary Jo Wheeler of WORONORA HEIGHTS with Old English Sheepdog Charlie
Trevor Woodward of JANNALI with Border Collie x Charlie

▶ New Members

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Elise Atkinson of BUNDEENA with English Cocker Spaniel Daisy
Astrid Cole-clark of HELENSBURGH with Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Bubbles
Jessica Comber of LOFTUS with Border Collie Poppy
Taylah Crome of CRONULLA with Bernese Mountain Dog x Wolfie
Bronte Dalla-bona of GRAYS POINT with Australian Shepherd Bailey and Australian Shepherd Alby
Marisa Dalla-bona of GRAYS POINT with Australian Shepherd Alby and Australian Shepherd Bailey
Yun Dan of JANNALI with Poodle x Kiwi
Kate Dority of SUTHERLAND with Cavalier King Charles Spaniel x Archie
Sarah Edmondson of ALEXANDRIA with Border Collie x Betty
Liz Florance of HELENSBURGH with Bullmastiff x Benny
Brett Gallagher of GYMEA with Burto
Patrick Hildebrandt of WORONORA HEIGHTS with Poodle x Sadie and Poodle Bowie
Colin Jeffery of JANNALI with Golden Retriever Zuzu
Zena Kak of BLAKEHURST with Border Collie Skyla
Angela Li of REVESBY with Jack Russell Terrier x Millie
Darren Martin of COMO with Staffordshire Bull Terrier x Ruby and Yorkshire Terrier Ted
Robyn Martin of COMO with Staffordshire Bull Terrier x Ruby and Yorkshire Terrier Ted
Andrew Morton of JANNALI with Poodle x Kiwi and Australian Shepherd Luna
Vanessa Perry of ENGADINE with Zali
Teresa Provence of HEATHCOTE with English Cocker Spaniel Finn
Georgia Rennie of WATERFALL with American Staffordshire Terrier x Bonnie and Irish Wolfhound x Leo
Karen Ryan of CRONULLA with Chihuahua Willow
Bailey Sachr of CRONULLA with Bernese Mountain Dog x Wolfie
Michelle Sayseng of KIRRAWEE with Poodle Monty
Jodi Smith of CARINGBAH with Australian Shepherd Bobbi
Damien Stark of CARINGBAH SOUTH with x Luna
Yvette Stevens of BANGOR with Australian Kelpie x Riley
Andrew Tanos of BLAKEHURST with Border Collie Skyla
Giuliana Tomadini of CRONULLA with Labrador Retriever Hercules
Tony Vaughan of CARINGBAH SOUTH with Poodle x Tully
Leonie Whiteside of COMO with Border Collie Jasper

▶ 2026 INTERCLUB OBEDIENCE CHALLENGE

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We have received notification of the 2026 Interclub Obedience Challenge which will be held this year at Castle Hill showground. Last year the host was Wollongong Dog Training Club, but they were pipped at the post by Hills District Dog Training Club, so now it will be their turn to host the trial which will be on Saturday, 25th July.

This is such a fun activity in that it does not have the same pressure to perform as a normal Obedience trial. It is a wonderful opportunity for club members to practice at a higher level or for new triallers to gain experience in a trial environment.

We are looking for people to form one or possibly two teams each of six competitors in the following capacity.

1 x Novice Rally; 1 x CCD, 1 x Novice, 2 x Open and 1 x UD.

If you would like to be part of the Team, then please provide your name and contact details to the ladies in the Office at your earliest. We need to formulate our team/s by end of May.



Most of the two teams from 2025



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▶ Encouragement Award

Congratulations to our recipients of the Encouragement Award

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▶ They ship to most places in Australia and offer free shipping to most metro areas. iPetStore can be found at Warehouse 27, 3-11 Flora St, Kirrawee - just down the hill from Woolworths and South Village. There is parking available on the site and they are open Mon-Fri: 9am - 5pm, Sat: 9am-3pm, Sun: 10am-2pm.

▶ All of their products are distributed from their warehouse in Kirrawee. The team is available to chat via phone 9am-5pm (AEST) or if you would prefer, you can email sales@ipetstore.com.au



▶ Calendar of Events

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Club Event Dates

12 April – Dances with Dogs Comp

11 May - Tracking Trial

17 May - Obedience & Rally Trial

14 June - Agility Trial

20 June – Tracking Trial

20 June – Dances with Dogs Comp

18 October – Dances with Dogs Comp

Training Dates

First Sunday for 2026 Training will be Sunday 1 February

Final Sunday for 2026 Training will be Sunday 6 December

The Wag Magazine distribution dates are 1st of February, April, June, August, October & December

Meeting Dates

Notice of Instructors Meetings will be provided prior to meetings being called

Committee Meetings take place on the second Sunday of every month after general training

Annual General Meeting will be held SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS
We need your support for both the Obedience/Rally and Agility trials. We require stewards for Obedience & Rally for May, and Agility in June. Please see Shanelle or Jan to put your name down to help out on these days.

If you can steward, help in the kitchen or are savvy on the computer, please reach out to Shanelle Corben at ams.corben@bigpond.com

THERE WILL BE NO TRAINING ON
5th APRIL, 17th MAY
or 14th JUNE

▶ Introducing New Instructors

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Congratulations and welcome to three new instructors for 2026.

- Fiona Dell'Oro
- Dianne Cicchetti
- Jenni Gormley

The club appreciates the commitment of our instructors who undertake the required training and give up their Sunday mornings to pass on their knowledge. A big thank you to all our dedicated instructors.



Leslie Rowling who has been passing on her knowledge for many years as an instructor, also completed the course to refresh and update her education and teaching skills.

The 2026 Beginner Agility Class commenced their six-week course on 1st March with nine people eager to start their Agility journey. We have had a couple of interruptions but so far, they have been doing straight line Jumping, sending to the Tunnel, Tire and under Sandra Walkers tutelage, commenced Contact (A-Frame) training . They have all done exceedingly well. It is very hard to transit from extensive Obedience training where your dog works exclusively on your left to now have to manoeuvre on your right-hand side and some of the dogs have been having trouble changing their mind-set to accommodate this new behaviour, but this will come in time. They have all come to the realisation that there is more to Agility than they originally thought. It is very technical with a lot more verbal and body cues to learn.



The main Agility Group will be transiting from their Summer training time of Wednesday evening to Sunday mornings.

Steve & Archie, Rob & Tex, Carol & Belle, Ying & Nyxie, Anita & Django, Lyn & Huxley, Robina & Molly, Peter & Nala. (not in picture: Flore-Anne & Loomy, Sandra Walker.)



▶ Beginner Agility

Jan Taylor

Agility is such fun! Linda's report on the ADAA trial at Douglas Park in March.

I'm in the agility group and two of us attended a trial last weekend (21st March at Douglas Park). It was a great day! Catherine and Jack Jack got a 1st place (Elementary Agility) and a 2nd place (Elementary Jumping). They probably would have got more places, but the massive storm frightened him a bit. Jasper and I got four 1st places (Intermediate Agility, Starters Agility, Elementary Agility and Intermediate Jumping), with three qualification certificates. This was only our fourth trial and Jasper achieved his first title- Australian Agility Dog. We're so lucky to have such great trainers- thanks to Sandra, Jan and Lyn for all the time and effort they put into training us! Looking forward to Sutherland hosting an Agility trial in June.



Storm on the way!

► Agility Round Up

Robyn Goldsmith

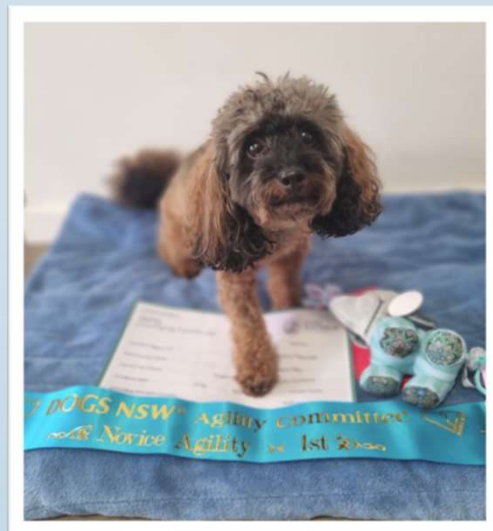
Trial Results

ADAA Douglas Park 14 Feb

- Linda and Jasper - Starters Mini Agility
1st Q: Elem Mini Agility 1st Q : Mini
Jump 1st Q;

Agility Committee Fundraiser 28 Feb

- Patricia and Ziggy – AD 1st Q



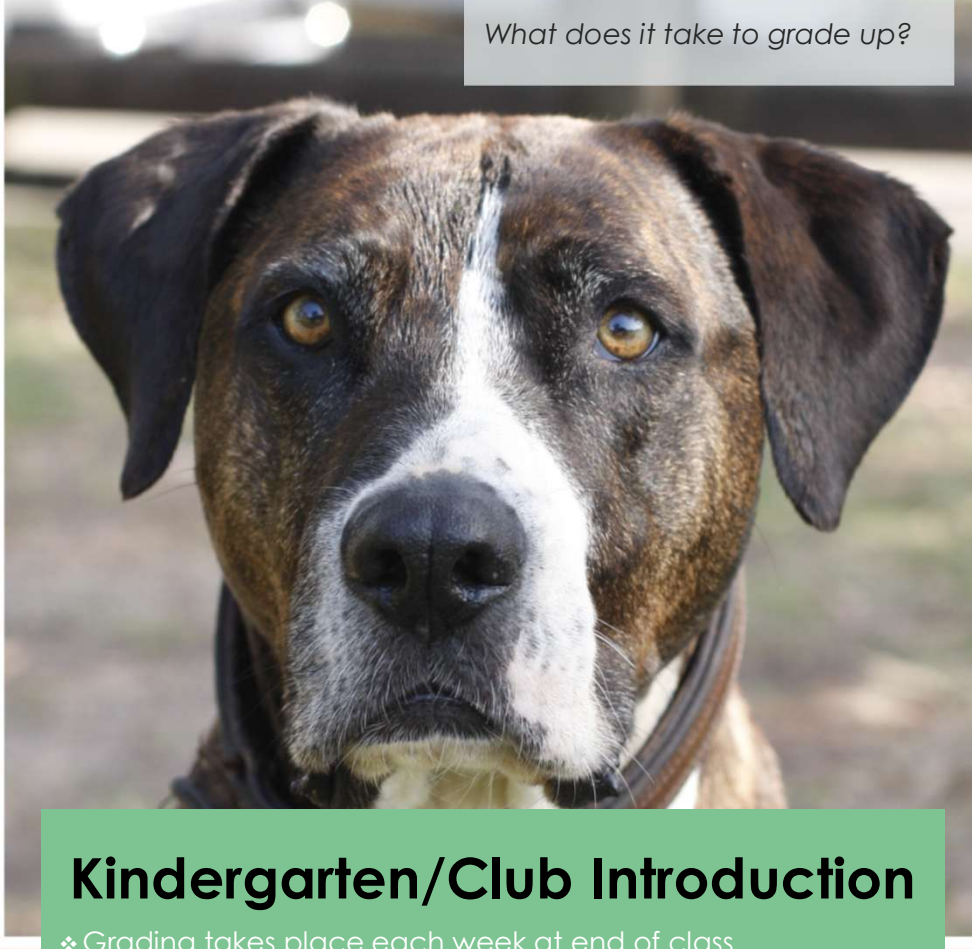
Newcastle DTC 29 March

- Patricia and Lacey JDM Q 3rd

▶ Grading Fundamentals

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What does it take to grade up?



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. Clicker & food rewards (luring) are permitted.

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
- ❖ Handler is to demonstrate a knowledge/ability to communicate commands to the dog

Class 2 to 3

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- ❖ 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. No clicker, food rewards (luring) permitted. Canine Bridle, Halti permitted.

Core Elements

- ❖ Loose Lead (leash) all paces. Sit stay and drop (or down) stays, Handler beside dog
- ❖ Heeling at all paces with a loose lead. Sits and stands using signal and voice only. Downs without force although the dog may be 'guided' down by the lead
- ❖ Stays: (A) Sit, handler beside the dog for 1 minute; (B) Down, handler beside the dog for 1 minute
- ❖ Handling: based on the handler's ability to communicate command



Class 3 to 4

- ❖ Grading takes place 3rd Sunday of each Month

▶ Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs verbally but only issue one command. Handling the dog or checking the dog will earn a penalty. Consistent checking must be failed. No clicker, food rewards (luring) permitted. No Canine Bridles or Haltis permitted.

▶ Core Elements

- ❖ Loose Lead (leash) all paces, automatic sit, stand for examination, sit stay and drop (or down) stays with 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 movement will earn minor deductions as per CCD judging). If dogs all four paws move, it is a fail.
- ❖ Stays: (A) sit, handler in front of dog for 1 minute; (B) down, handler in front of dog for 2 minutes
- ❖ Handling: based on the handler's ability to communicate command

Class 4 to Club Medal

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- ❖ Grading takes place Sunday as per Judges Ring schedule

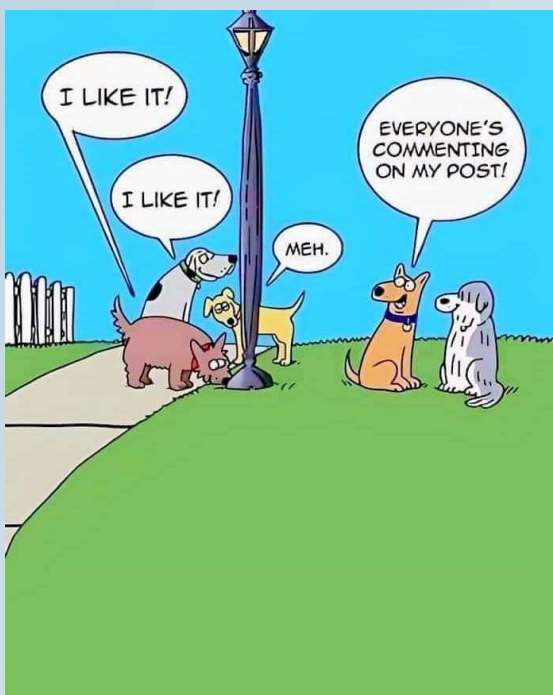
Three qualifying passes to Dogs NSW trial standard -> Community Companion Dog (CCD) Standard

Handlers should not encourage their dog verbally, and only issue one command. Handling the dog or checking the dog will earn a penalty (repeated checking will be failed). No clicker or food rewards (luring) permitted.

Core Elements

- ❖ Loose Lead (leash) all paces, Automatic sit, stand for examination, Recall, Sit stay and drop (or down) stays. Handler in of front dog
- ❖ 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. If dogs all four paws move, it is a fail.
- ❖ Recall: 12 metres off lead (components of exercise as in CCD Trail)
- ❖ Stays: (A) Sit, handler 5 metres in front of dog for 1 minute; (B) Down, handler 5 metres in front of dog for 2 minutes
- ❖ Handling: based on the handler's ability to communicate commands.
- ❖ Note: Pre-requisite is the handler and dog having graded to Class 4

Club Medal Excellent



- ❖ Grading takes place Sunday as per Judges Ring schedule

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

Note: Pre-requisites of (1) the handler and dog having graded to Class 4, (2) having gained Club Medal

Boredom Busters



For all of these, having fun and bonding with the dog should be the goal. Do not scold or correct your dog, but make it easy for them to earn the reward. Keep sessions short and involve the whole family, and do these in any order, when it is convenient for you:

1. Have your dog sit/stay at one end of the hall. You walk to the other, or to the distance you predict they will tolerate and stay. Call them to you. Praise as they come towards you, and bring them right in front of you into a sit position using a treat as a lure. They should be close enough so you can touch their head, and should be centered directly in front of you. Give them the treat. Then, lure them to your left side and have them sit/stay; walk away again. Repeat.
2. The floating dinner bowl: Holding your dog's bowl of food, ask them to sit. Slowly begin to lower the bowl. If they get up, raise the bowl up and remind them to sit. Do this until they hold their sit until the bowl is on the floor and you release by saying, "Okay!" (Note, the first few times you do this, expect it to take a while; be patient!)
3. Agility: Balance a stick across two cans and click/treat or praise/treat your dog for jumping over it. Cut the bottom from a new 55-gallon trash can and you have a tunnel (and if you have a smaller dog, you can use a cat tunnel or child's toy tunnel). You can include furniture or dog beds in your "course." Start the course with your dog in a sit/stay. Lead out past the jump. Call your dog to you over the jump and send them through the tunnel, then to a down/stay on the dog bed for 5 seconds. Make up your own course and obstacles throughout the house.
4. Sniffer dog game: With the dog at your side in a sit/stay, put a treat on the floor about 6 feet in front of them (if they haven't mastered a sit/stay, have someone hold them). Release them, saying "Find it!" Put the next treat farther away. Then put two treats farther away. Gradually make the game harder, by putting treats under something or around a corner.
5. Pupcake: Another good way to entertain your dog with food is to make a "pupcake:" Take a metal cake pan and put an inch or two of water in it. Add a tablespoon of meat broth and a handful of kibble/treats. Top with grated cheese, then freeze. The more water you add, the longer it will take your dog to get through this fun frozen meal.
6. Hide and seek: Have one person hold the dog by the collar. Have someone else go and hide somewhere in the house; make sure the dog does not see where they go, but keep it easy at first. Release the dog's collar and say "Find!" When the dog does find the person, praise the dog and give it a treat.
7. Stuff in a pail: Keep a lot of inexpensive toys and balls on hand, but save them for a rainy day. Then, dump all of them into a pail or big basket; then, put this fun-filled basket on the floor. We don't care if they rip up the toys, as long as they don't ingest parts or squeakers! When your dog has emptied the basket once, put everything back into it that wasn't wrecked.

Full article can be read [here](#)

Rally Fans: see [link](#) to the new Youtube playlist for Rally signs – thanks to Shanelle, Lyn & Gypsy.

DOGS NSW (PR / GROUNDS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE) – 24 Jan 2026

Jaxon & Christie – Scent Work Excellent Vehicles – Q

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (40 pts) – Q

Roman & Christie – Sprint Dog (41 pts) – Q (PB 8.7s – 41.38 km/h)



BLACKTOWN KENNEL & TRAINING CLUB – 14 Feb 2026

Roman & Christie – Tricks Starters (55/60) – Q

Trix & Josie – Tricks Novice – 2nd Place

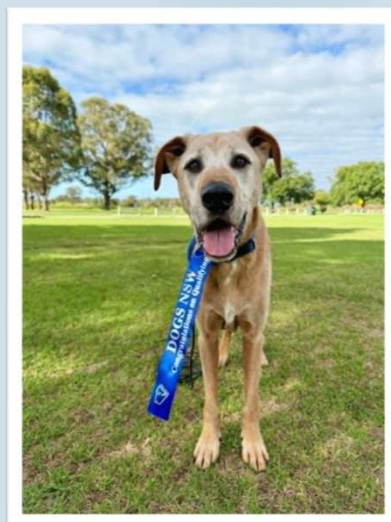
WOLLONGONG DOG TRAINING CLUB – 20–22 Feb 2026

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (41 pts) – Q (PB 13.3s – 27.07 km/h)

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (40 pts) – Q

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (41 pts) – Q + SPRD Title

Roman & Christie – Sprint Dog (41 pts) – Q (PB 8.82s – 40.65 km/h)



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BEGA VALLEY KENNEL & TRAINING CLUB – 07 Feb 2026

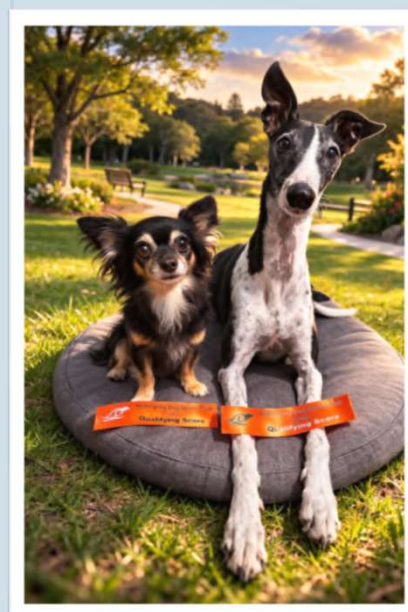
Barney & Roz – Open Obedience – 199 – 2nd Place

ALL STARS DOG CLUB – 08 Feb 2026

Magic & Christie – Scent Advanced Interiors – Q

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (40 pts) – Q + N.SPRD Title

Roman & Christie – Sprint Dog (40 pts) – Q (PB 9s – 40 km/h)



► Obedience, Rally, Herding, Scent Work, Tricks & DWD Report February – March 2026

Jenni Gormley

THE DOG NOSE IT – KELLYVILLE – 21 Feb 2026

KT & Josie – ACSW ORT – Title

CESSNOCK DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB – 28 Feb 2026

Trix & Josie – Rally Excellent – Q

FIELD SPANIEL CLUB OF NSW – 13–15 Mar 2026

KT & Josie – Sprint Dog Novice – Title

KT & Josie – Sprint Dog – Q (Title)

Trix & Josie – Sprint Dog Novice – Title

Trix & Josie – Sprint Dog – Q (Title)

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (43 pts) – Q
Q (PB 12.68s – 28.39 km/h)

Magic & Christie – Sprint Dog (42 pts) – Q

Roman & Christie – Sprint Dog (41 pts) – Q

Roman & Christie – Sprint Dog (40 pts) – Q + SPRD Title



DOBERMANN CLUB OF NSW – 20 Mar 2026

Trix & Josie – Scent Interior Advanced – Q

Trix & Josie – Scent Vehicle Advanced – Q

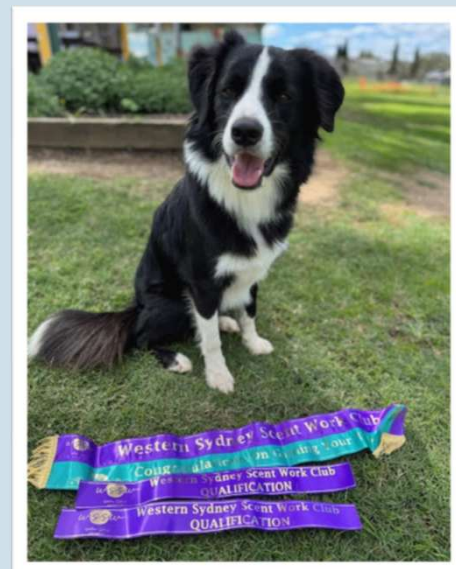
BRUSH FARM DOG TRAINING CLUB – 22 Mar 2026

Winston & Jenny – Rally Masters – 94/100 –
3rd Place

WESTERN SYDNEY SCENT WORK CLUB – 28 Mar 2026

Trix & Josie – Scent Interior Advanced – Q

Trix & Josie – Scent Exterior Advanced – Title



► Encouragement Award

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Congratulations to our recipients of the Encouragement Award

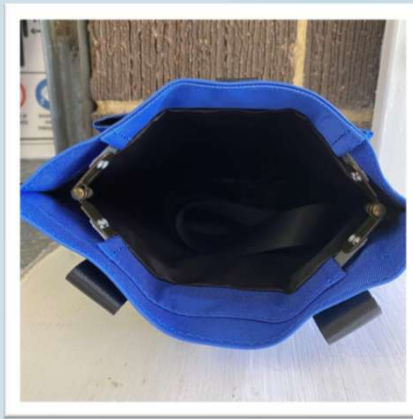
Encouragement awards are given by instructors who have noticed that handlers are being persistent with dogs that might be a little more challenging than most. At Sutherland Shire Dog Training Club, your instructors notice your efforts and reward for a job well done under difficult circumstances!



Gino & Saxon



David & Dolly



► Merchandise

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TRAINING AND CLASS TIMES

SUNDAY MORNING

Kindergarten - 8:30 to 9:30 am

(During Daylight Saving 8:00 to 9:00 am)

Classes 1, 2, 3, 4 - 8:30 to 9:30 am

(During Daylight Saving 8:00 to 9:00 am)

Beginners Agility - 8:30 to 9:30 am

(During Daylight Saving 8:00 to 9:00 am)

MONDAY NIGHT

The Help Class - 7:00 to 8:30 pm

(Invitation Only - Enquire at Clubhouse)

Rally – 7:00 to 9:00pm

Obedience Trial Class 7:00 to 9:00pm

(every fortnight)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

(moving to Sunday Mornings soon!)

Agility Training - 7:15 to 9:30 pm *(Intermediate/Trialers)*

There is no **Poop Fairy** ...

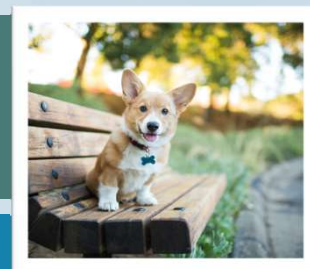


Scoop your Poop
Grab it • Bag it • Toss it

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Our club enforces a no dog attack policy. This 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.

▶ General Rules



Ground Rules

1. All members must pay at the payment line and receive a payment dot on their membership card before proceeding to class. No dog will be permitted to attend class without prior payment.
2. Members must be in class by the time specified. Instructors have the right to refuse entry to the class if you are late.
3. All dogs must be vetted by the appointed vetting officers before you proceed to a class. No dogs will be allowed on the field before being vetted.
4. Members without membership cards may be refused admittance to class.
5. All dogs must be immunised against Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvovirus and Para influenza and Kennel Cough.
6. Current inoculation certificates must be produced when renewing membership.
7. No bitch in season will be allowed to attend training.
8. All dogs must be kept on a leash at all times unless under the supervision of an instructor.
9. All handlers of dogs who foul the grounds must immediately clean up and dispose of the matter in the bin/s provided.
10. Classes using the Club jumps and/or agility equipment will be responsible for returning the equipment to the equipment room after use.
11. Members shall behave courteously to other members and officials of the Club at all times.
12. Any disputes should be referred to the chief instructor or a committee member at the time of the dispute.