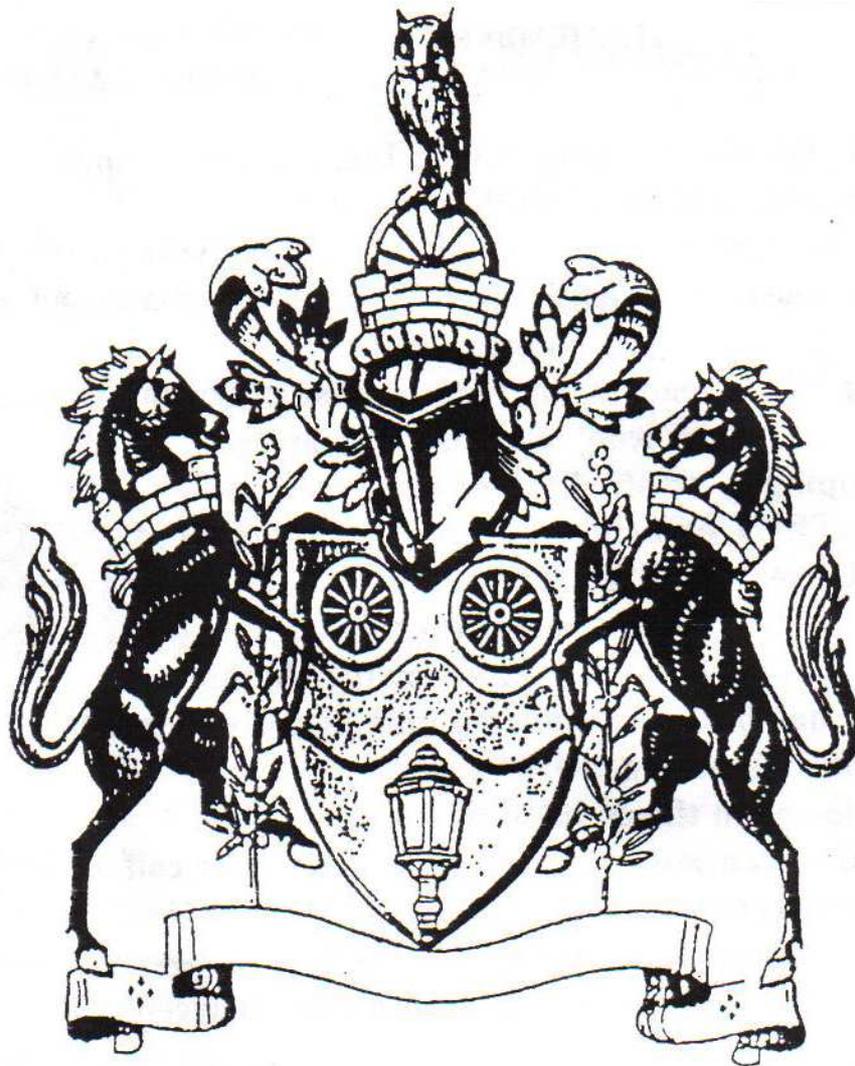


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**WARRINGAL OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB Inc.**

**DECEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER**

**'WAG' New Edition**

***Warringal Obedience Dog Club Inc.  
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# WARRINGAL OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC

**Training is on Sunday mornings  
at Montmorency Primary School  
Rattray Road, Montmorency.**

(You can drive in to the carpark via Alban Street.)

Warringal Obedience Dog Club is on the net at  
[www.warringaldogclub.com.au](http://www.warringaldogclub.com.au)

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- \* **The last day of training is on 12 December 2010 (Fun Day).**  
(For the keen ones, the Club will be open for unofficial training on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> Jan, but no classes).
- \* **Training resumes on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2011 (first week of Feb).**  
(No training Easter weekend/Anzac Day)
- \* **The Committee meets once a month (second Wednesday) at 7.30pm at Montmorency RSL (meeting room upstairs).**



Class Times  
**9:00am:**  
*Ring training*  
*Class 3/4*  
*Class 2*  
*Beginners*



**9:30am:**  
*Agility*  
*Introduction*

**9:45am:**  
*Advanced beginners,*  
*Class 1*  
*Puppies*



*Heat policy: no class if the weather is forecast to be over 35.*

Try to arrive a few minutes early, to allow your dog time to greet classmates and settle down before the lesson.

## CLUB RULES

Every club requires its members to observe certain rules. Warringal's rules are not demanding and are based on common sense and courtesy. Warringal Obedience Dog Club Inc. is not responsible for any misdemeanour caused by a handler or dog.

1. All members must wear their membership card when attending classes.
2. Bitches in season or sick or injured dogs are not allowed on the training ground.
3. Dogs must be on lead at all times whilst on training ground, except when engaged in supervised 'off lead' exercises.
4. **Dog droppings must be picked up and removed from the grounds IMMEDIATELY by handlers using plastic bags. The school grounds must be kept free of droppings at all times.**
5. Children aged 12 years and under must be under adult supervision at all times whilst on the training grounds and at the toilets.
6. **Smoking is not permitted on the school grounds under any circumstances.**
7. A dog that has bitten or shows undue aggression must be reported to the Director of Training.
8. **No dog is permitted inside the "Castle" administration building or tethered on the ramp or any railings or posts surrounding the "Castle" at any time.**
9. Members are not allowed to use spiked or electric collars on their dogs on WODC grounds.
10. Under NO circumstances is food to be spat or thrown at any dog. Discrete use of food from the hand is acceptable.
11. **Members are not to leave their dogs unattended, if the dog has a habit of barking.**

## From the Editor

It's been a year full of changes for the Club, with the loss of our old training ground, search for a new 'home' and the move to Montmorency Primary School.

The AGM was held on 1<sup>st</sup> December and a new Committee was ratified to ensure the continuation of the Club, against the threat of closure. A big thank you to all those who nominated and came on board! Congratulations to all those who obtained end of the year awards and trophies.

As the new Editor , I have lots of ideas for the Newsletter, including articles to introduce key people at the Club, and photos so you can put faces to the names.



Warringal Obedience Dog Club has a proud long history with a wealth of collective experience between us. I hope the newly elected Committee under the leadership of President Gayle Baxter can pull together not just for the Club to survive, but to regain its standing as a centre of dog training excellence in 2011!

Grazyna Mackiewicz (Editor)

### **A BIG THANK YOU**

To the outgoing President Paul Gavin and the 2010 Committee, especially Linda, Kerrin and Jenny for all their hard work to keep the Club running under difficult circumstances and relocation in 2010.

Special thanks to Rhodna Beveridge and the Instructors for their weekly dedication to training, and Christine Wong for agility.

### **A BIG WELCOME**

**To the new President and Committee!!**

### **Newsletter articles:**

I would like to make this Newsletter member's communication avenue. Any members with something of interest that they would like to share are encouraged to contribute. If your dog has gained a title, done something exceptional, or you have some useful or interesting information, a suggestion or would like to send a letter to the Editor, please forward to:  
The Editor: [Sundance01@netspace.net.au](mailto:Sundance01@netspace.net.au).

## **Outgoing President's Report for 2010**

It has been a busy year for Warringal. The decision by the University not to renew the club's lease meant we had to find a new home as our training grounds were converted into a massive car park. We formed a Relocation Subcommittee which did the hard yards searching for a new home for the club. Suitable training grounds proved very difficult to find. Kerrin Hamer introduced the Montmorency Primary School as a prospect. The Special General Meeting held in May passed unanimously the special resolution that Warringal was to move to Monty. The transition to Monty was successfully made in September after much hard work.

We negotiated the transfer of the club building to the university with a six months rebate on rent. The transfer of the clubrooms saved Warringal the cost of removing the building and repatriating the land which would have cost more.

I gained a \$2,500 grant from the Federal government during the year. Obtaining grants is hard work. All together, I have been awarded ten grants for dog clubs in the last four years. During the year, I was appointed to Monty Primary School's Grants Committee. It's a small group of people focused on obtaining grants to progress the school. What will the change of government mean for Monty? Only time will tell!

I would like to thank each and every committee member for their positive contribution during the year. Our only trial for the year was held successfully last Saturday at Bulla. Trials are important to test the skills that you have learnt in class. This year there was a total of 6 Obedience, 9 Agility and 4 Tracking titles that trophies were awarded to club members.

I thank all the Instructors for their hard work. Their work is the centre piece of the club, the part that helps our members and their dogs to progress whether it is just to be a manageable dog in the community or to go on and compete at the highest levels in Australia. There are also a number of people who work behind the scenes and I thank them too.

Last year, I spoke to many people and classes about the need for volunteers to operate the club. The prospect of the SGM to wind up the club caused a flood of nominations for next year's committee. I determined that I would withdraw my nomination for the 2010-2011 committee. I wish the new committee every success. It is great to see new faces joining the committee. The club needs a host of volunteers if the club is to remain a vibrant part of the dog world.

The University has recently given Warringal until 22 December to clear its old site. Everyone has been aware of the need to finalise the University site. The new committee will have the clean-up as a priority.

I wish everyone all the best for the Christmas New Year break. Please ensure that you provide for your pets on New Year's Eve so that they are not frightened by fireworks.

Paul Gavin outgoing President WODC 2009 - 2010

## **Incoming President's Report**

It's the end of 2010 and the club has had some difficulties this year. Having to leave our lovely grounds at La Trobe was hard



felt but we have a ground and we can and must keep moving ahead. I am pleased to say we have a full committee this year and a lot of new blood which always brings with it fresh ideas and enthusiasm.

So I have been elected as your President for this year and my main interest is to rebuild the club's membership numbers and try and get handlers interested in assisting even in the most smallest of ways, such as talking to new members and making them feel welcome.

For the handlers that don't know me, my name is Gayle Baxter. I won't give you any more details about myself in this report as I have an article on my dogs and myself in the newsletter.

I hope that everyone has an enjoyable Christmas and New Year and that none of us, dogs included over indulged too much. Be extremely careful with the hot weather it brings with it lot's of concerns. Hopefully everyone will come back feeling refreshed and eager to get into some obedience/agility training.

On the trailing side of things, we held our Agility trial on the 4<sup>th</sup> December at the new VCA Bulla grounds. There will be a trial report on this in the New Year, our trial secretary has run off to Malaysia for a hard earned rest.

I hope that this will be a good year for the club. I would like to try a few new things to try and enhance handlers' time with us and give them a clear view of what is possible. The enjoyment that you can get from being with your furry four legged friends is wonderful and the more we interact with them the more we get from them. Please remember I will not be at the club all the time but I am contactable if you have any problems or if you have any ideas relating to the club and how we can make things even more fun.



**Gayle Baxter**

**President (with Ryka)**

## **MEET YOUR PRESIDENT: Gayle Baxter President WODC 2011**

**NAME:** Gayle Baxter  
**POSITION:** Director of Training, Instructor, Assistant Treasurer  
**DOGS:** 2 Shetland Sheepdogs and 1 Papillon (Ryka, Sola & Skipper)  
**YEAR's IN OBED:** 24 Years  
**INTERESTS:** Dogs, promoting responsible dog ownership, obedience and agility training and trailing and reading.

I got my first dog, a Corgi cross in June 1986. I had always been scared of dogs but I still wanted one. Once I got him home (he was an older dog, about ten months) I had no idea of what to do with him, so I thought school was the answer, to teach him to be a good dog and me to be a good owner, I joined Warringal on the 29/06/86. My dog (Chachi) and I did well and reached class 4 in approximately 5 months, but there was a problem. Chachi didn't like children, probably due to his previous owner who had two young boys who tormented him. After 3 very close calls, I decided I couldn't risk an actual attack and had him put down in early December. I was devastated by this and decided to be more cautious when I got my next dog.

After researching breed books I decided on Shetland Sheepdogs (Shelties), after checking out several breeders I bought two puppies, a brother (Mishka) and sister (Sheba) team. They were brilliant, well behaved and earned their Novice obedience titles at just over one year of age. I then decided to assist the club and became an instructor. I continued training my dogs and obtained their Open obedience titles in 1990/1991. Unfortunately Sheba died suddenly just before she turned 6. Due to Mishka fretting I bought another Sheltie pup (Yhoda), which had an intestinal problem and died at one year old, he had a short but happy life. Once again I was in need of a puppy so I rang the Sheltie puppy sales officer to see what was available (I already knew what I wanted). The only puppy on the register was exactly what I wanted, an 8 week old, tri-colour male (Terra).

Mishka trailed in Utility and gained 1 pass, he died from some sort of seizure just before he turned 12. I rang Terras' breeder and got another puppy from her. A 3 month old sable that she had been keeping for showing (Ryka). Terra gained his Open obedience, Master agility and Open jumping titles, I retired him from trialing when he was 11 years old. Terra died at the age of 14 years old from what we think was a brain tumour. Just after I retired him the VCA introduced games into agility, more titles that could be gained.

Ryka is 11 years old and has his Novice and Open obedience, Master agility and jumping, Open agility and jumping, Excellent gamblers, Excellent snookers and Excellent strategic pairs titles and has started NADAC agility in 2008.

My next dog, another Sheltie, Sola, is an 8 year old sable male. Just before Easter of 2003 I received an e-mail from a member of the Sheltie club. It was about a Sheltie (18 months old then) that needed to be re-homed, sob story and picture attached. I must have had sucker written on my forehead because my sister (Dianne) and I decided to take him. He lived with Dianne for the first couple of years but has since moved in with me as it makes doing the training and trailing a little easier. He has

gained Novice obedience, Excellent agility and jumping, Open agility, Excellent strategic pairs, Novice gamblers and Novice snookers titles. He also started NADAC agility in 2008.

Now to the new dog, this time a Papillon, Skipper. Skipper is a great dog but a dog with an attitude. I met Janice his owner at the club, she was having some troubles with Skipper, she had gotten him as an 8 month old ex-show dog. Janice tried for 8 months to get things under control but it just wasn't happening. Unable to solve the problems I jumped at the chance to take him when Janice mention she might have to give him up. He became mine in December 2009 so I have had him for a year now. I have him doing NADAC agility but I still have a lot of work to do but we will get there. Janice and I have become great friends and Skipper is very happy, so is Janice's new Papillon pup Harvie.

I became an instructor in August 1989, joined Committee in November 1989, I have been Ground Manager, Social Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, Vice President, President, Demonstration Team Leader, Director of Training, Newsletter Editor and a member of the Pets-as-Therapy program and I am also a life member.

I work shift work now and can only make it to the club 3 out of 6 weekends, add in trialing and unfortunately that means that I am not at the club often. But when I am there I still enjoy instructing, obedience and agility and love talking to people and finding out how their dogs are going. I love trailing and encourage all to give it a go.

As President it is unfortunate that I cannot be there more often. I have a great committee though that can take care of things while I'm not able to be there and I am also contactable. If there are any problems, please never just leave the club, if there are problems I would like to know about them so that I can try to fix them. So please feel free to contact me on any of the details below.



Sola

Skipper

Gayle Baxter President

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## **CLUB NEWS**

### **AGM**

The WODC AGM was held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December at the old Clubhouse. A surprise turn was the resignation of Paul nominating for President next year and the threat of Club closure, but with saving relief of Gayle Baxter offering to take up the helm, supported by a wonderful team of Committee volunteers.

Trophies for dogs obtaining Titles in 2010 were presented, covering a wide range of disciplines as well as Obedience.

**CONGRATULATIONS to all those who worked hard this year to obtain Titles! Keep up the good work!**

#### **Particular congratulations to:**

- **Weng Lim for Highest Scoring UD dog with Choo Bee UD.**
- **Wally Mossop for Utility Encouragement Award for his tracking (TD, TDX, Tracking Champion) with T CH Jed.**
- **Grazyna Mackiewicz for Highest Scoring CCD, CD, Associate, and WODC member with Czara CD.**
- **Leigh Finnin Runner Up who narrowly missed out highest scores with his marvelous young (only one year old) dog Xero the Hero CD!**
- **Wendy Heng Spa for her amazing continuing work with Asta UD ADM2 ADO JDM JDO SPD GDX SDX ET HT (hope I got that right!) who must be the most titled dog ever!?**
- **Christine Wong, Heather Tilley and Rochelle Manderson for great results in games and Agility.**

Amazing and impressive work from WODC Club members!

No wonder Warringal has a reputation as a trialling Club.

These people give newer members inspiration and something to aspire to.



## WARRINGAL DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB - 2010 TITLES AND AWARDS

Name	Dog name Breed	Title gained	Score/ Special Award
<b>OBEDIENCE</b>			
Grazyna Mackiewicz	Czara Black Velvet (Czara) Associate	CCD	<b>88, 95, 91</b> <b>Total: 274</b> <b>Highest Scoring CCD</b>
Leigh Finnin	Lineox Xero the Hero (Xero) Border Collie	CCD	93, 91, 87 Total: 271
Grazyna Mackiewicz	Czara Black Velvet CCD (Czara) Associate	CD (Novice)	<b>187, 192, 194</b> <b>Total: 573</b> <b>Highest Scoring Novice</b> <b>Highest Scoring Associate</b> <b>Highest Scoring WODC</b>
Leigh Finnin	Lineox Xero the Hero CCD (Xero) Border Collie	CD	189, 180, 184 Total: 553
Weng Lim	Robgai Water Colours HT CCD (Sonny) Collie (Rough)	CD (Novice)	194, 172, 178 Total: 544
-	-	-	<b>Highest Scoring Open</b> <b>Highest Scoring (titled) pass</b>
Weng Lim	Tannah Sapphire Gem CDX (Choo Bee) Poodle (Standard)	UD (Utility)	<b>189, 185, 187</b> <b>Total: 561</b> <b>Highest Scoring UD</b>
<b>TRACKING</b>			
Wally Mossop	Goldnymph Oberon (Jed) Golden Retriever	TD	Utility Encouragement Award
Wally Mossop	Goldnymph Oberon TD (Jed) Golden Retriever	TDX	
Wally Mossop	Goldnymph Oberon TDX (Jed) Golden Retriever	TCH	
Wendy Seng Hpa	T. CH Rodatt Asta UD ADM2 ADO JDM JDO SPD GDX SDX HT ET (Asta) German Shepherd Dog	TSD	
<b>AGILITY/ JUMPING/GAMES</b>			
Heather Tilley	Bordarita Gotta Be Magic ADX JDX ADO JDO SDX GDX SPDX (Magic) Border Collie	SDM	
Heather Tilley	CH Bordarita Did Ya See Me AD JD (Twister) Border Collie	JDX	

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Wendy Seng Hpa	T. CH Rodatt Asta UD ADM ADO JDM JDO SPD GDX SDX ET (Asta) German Shepherd Dog	ADM2	
Wendy Seng Hpa	T. CH Rodatt Asta UD ADM ADO JDM JDO SPD GD SDX SPD ET (Asta) German Shepherd Dog	GDX	
Christine Wong	Kumbirra Pure Pirate CCD ADX JDM JDO SPDX SDX GD (Cody) Shetland Sheepdog	ADM	
Christine Wong	Kumbirra Pure Pirate CCD ADX JDM SPDX GD (Cody) Shetland Sheepdog	JDO	
Rochelle Manderson	Lady Belanna SPD SDX ADX JDX (B'Elanna) Associate	ADX	
Rochelle Manderson	Aust Ch Hapipet Mystery Solved JD (Zane) Schipperke	JD	
Christine Wong	Barrajy Silvie (Sylvie) Tibetan Spaniel	AD	
<b>HERDING</b>			
Wendy Seng Hpa	T. CH Rodatt Asta UD ADM2 ADO JDM JDO SPD GDX SDX ET (Asta) German Shepherd Dog	HT	
<b>SHOW</b>			
Rochelle Manderson	Aust Ch Beadale Queen Adelaide (Adelaide) Schipperke	Aust Champion	
Rochelle Manderson	Aust Ch Beadale Tell No Tales (Tayla) Schipperke	Aust Champion	

**APOLOGIES:**

Apologies to Bharat Vyas, whose dog obtained an ET title but missed the deadline – he will be acknowledged next year. Apologies to Wendy Seng Hpa for her belated TSD trophy.

**REMINDER:**

If you obtain an obedience or other recognised ANKC Title, you need to fill out the application form and bring in your certificates (originals plus photocopies) by 31<sup>st</sup> October in order to obtain a trophy and be eligible for the special awards at the AGM at the end of the year.

The application form is in this Newsletter, available from the Club, or will be available soon for downloading from the website.

Don't miss out – make sure you get your applications in!

Keep the one attached for when you will need it later next year!

## **HIGHEST SCORING WODC MEMBER 2010 Grazyna Mackiewicz and Czara Black Velvet CD**

### **CCD and CD Titles**

Winner Winner Highest Scoring CCD 2010

Winner Highest Scoring Novice 2010

Winner Highest Scoring Associate Dog 2010

Winner Highest Scoring WODC member 2010

When I adopted my new dog Czara just a little over a year ago, I set out to prove two things:

Firstly, that rescue dogs are not second rate – that no matter what their early life or breeding, so long as their basic temperament is sound, dogs have a high capacity for learning and are very amenable to training and rehabilitation. The nature/nurture controversy has never been resolved. Myth Busters busted the myth several months ago: you CAN teach an old dog new tricks :)

Secondly, while there are various fads and fashions in dog training that come and go as the pendulum swings from one extreme to the other, the good old fashioned traditional method of praise (for good behaviour) and correction (for undesirable behaviour) still works!

The proof is in the pudding. It has been great to return to my old Club and an honour to have our names up on the highest scoring perpetual shields that my previous dogs (Duke and Inga) won years ago back in the 1980's.



Thanks to Paul and the hard working Committee, Richard for his regular class 4 drill and Bharat, Wendy and Rodna for the ring run throughs.

**Grazyna Mackiewicz**  
with outgoing President Paul Gavin.



**Czara Black  
Velvet CD**

At just 2 years of age, the highlights of Czara's obedience career so far include: a perfect score of 200 points at the German Shepherd Dog Club Fun Day and President's Award in 2009, obtaining her CCD with 3 first places, CD with 2 first places and Highest in Trial, passing her first Tracking Test with a grade of 'Excellent', and winning WODC 2010 end of year Highest Scoring CCD, Highest Scoring Novice, Highest Scoring Associate and Highest Scoring WODC perpetual trophies/shields!

Czara is a delightful dog - gentle natured and always eager to please, whether in the ring, in the park, at home or anywhere. It's been incredibly rewarding watching her transform over the last year from timid skinny rescue 'under dog' into bright-eyed and bushy-tailed perfect family and community member and 'top (obedience) dog'. Stay tuned next year for her progress in Open trials!

**Underdog rules! ;)**

**Rescue/rehome dogs**

If you are thinking of getting a new dog, spare a thought for the hundreds of perfectly healthy beautiful dogs (like Czara) who are killed annually because (often for no good reason of their own) no-one wants them any more. I am a convert - have obtained each of my last four dogs 'second hand' and would never buy a dog in any other way!

## PETRESCUE

The website [www.petrecue.com.au](http://www.petrecue.com.au) lists dogs (and other animals) available for adoption from many different shelters throughout Australia. Each has a profile, photos and medical notes. Shelter staff attempt to find the best match between person and dog for a forever home. All dogs are desexed, immunised, microchipped and generally placed first on a 2 week trial.



### *Take me Home*

Before you pass by my pen, please look at me,  
I see you have grief, but I can set your heart free.  
I know you have lost your loving best friend,  
But if you take me home, I'll help your heart mend.  
I don't expect you will love me as much,  
I just need your company and your soft gentle touch.  
I was thrown in the streets and abandoned by man,  
But if I can still love, then you surely can.  
I wandered the city in the cold and the rain,  
Hoping a human would love me again.  
The human that took me when I was a pup,  
Lost his wife and his job, he was down on his luck.  
I don't know why he threw me away,  
He may have had reasons, perhaps you might say,  
The days turned to weeks as I wandered alone,  
With despair in my heart, I could never go home.  
I grew very weak from hunger and cold,  
And oh how I longed for a human to hold.  
Then one day when I could take no more pain,  
A rescuer came and held me again,  
He brought me to this place and gave me a meal,  
A warm bed to sleep in, he helped my heart heal.  
But many pass me by; they don't look to my soul,  
My love is still there, I will give you it all.  
So look into my eyes before you pass by,  
I can feel all the pain in each tear that you cry.  
Please let my warm tongue, kiss your heartache away,  
I'll be faithful and loving, by your side I will stay.  
So please don't pass by and say "never again"  
There is love in your heart, that is why you feel pain.  
(Source unknown)

## **Fun Day - Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

Last training day for members this year will be a Fun Day at Monty on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2010, commencing at 9am.

It will be a fun and relaxing day, so please come along and enjoy :)

## **WODC Agility Trial Saturday 4 Dec 2010**

Warringal held an agility trial on Saturday 4 December. A full report and photos of the day will be included in the next Newsletter.

### **MERCHANDISE**

The Club has available for sale a range of merchandise. A list and prices will be provided in the next Newsletter.

## **REMINDER: RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP**

Renewal of membership was due by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2010. However, due to exceptional circumstances this year, the Club will extend the grace period to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011.

Please note that anyone wishing to renew after that time will be obliged to pay the full Joining Fee as well as the annual subscription fee.

**ANYONE WHO HAS NOT RENEWED, PLEASE DO SO ASAP!**

### **Photos of Titled Dogs**

Since there is nowhere to display the photos of Titled Dogs on the walls at Montmorency, members will be able to collect their photos in the frames from the storage container.

The photos have been scanned and a computer display has been made, to not lose the Club's history of achievement.

## University Grounds

Although training on the University grounds ceased on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2010, we still have some cleaning up to do of the old Club House, which must be vacated by 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

## Barking Dogs

Please show some consideration Sunday morning sleeping neighbours and respect for the Club and ensure you control your dog's barking!

If you **MUST** leave your dog unattended in the car and it has a habit of barking at people passing by, please park in the lower car park or somewhere where it will not be disturbed.

Not only do noisy dogs jeopardise our new (residential) location when neighbours complain, it also sends a very negative message to the community. Unnecessary barking is one of those annoying antisocial activities that fuels anti-dog sentiments – so **PLEASE** don't allow your dog to do it!

**DON'T LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR WHERE EVERYONE PASSES BY IF IT HAS THE HABIT OF BARKING!!**

### **TIP:**

Shake a tin of coins to discourage your dog when it barks - a useful and effective tip provided by a current practising Obedience Judge (Ross Carlson).

## Refreshments

After training coffee and a chat can be had at the *Mudd Café and Patisserie* in Were Street, just across the road from the school. Present your Warringal membership card and receive a 10% discount.

**MUDD**

**Cafe and Patisserie**

12 Were Street, Montmorency  
Phone 9434 1211

useful websites



**Warringal Obedience Dog Club is on the net at**  
[www.warringaldogclub.com.au](http://www.warringaldogclub.com.au)

### **Dogs Victoria**

[www.dogsvictoria.org.au](http://www.dogsvictoria.org.au)

You need to be a member of Dogs Victoria in order to compete in obedience trials, tracking, agility and other events.

Your dog also needs to be registered. Don't worry if you don't have pedigree papers or if your dog is a crossbreed – you can still register as an “associate” and compete along with the best of them :)

Download the performance entry form for events:

[www.dogsvictoria.org.au/content.asp?ID=284](http://www.dogsvictoria.org.au/content.asp?ID=284)

### **Australian National Kennel Council**

[www.ankc.org.au](http://www.ankc.org.au)

This website contains the national Rule Books for Obedience, Tracking, Agility and other events.

Please note: the Rules for Obedience are changing in Jan 2011, so make sure you are up-to-date with the new rules before entering obedience trails next year!

[www.ankc.org.au/Rules.aspx](http://www.ankc.org.au/Rules.aspx)

### **Agility and Obedience Trial Schedules**

[www.agilitytrials.info](http://www.agilitytrials.info)

[www.groups.yahoo.com.au](http://www.groups.yahoo.com.au) and search ‘Agility Victoria’

### **Tracking Club of Victoria**

[www.trackingclubvic.org.au](http://www.trackingclubvic.org.au)

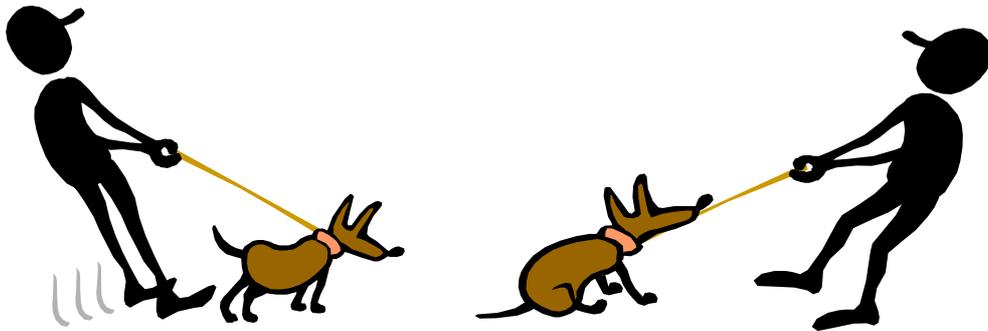
## Q&As

I would like to start a regular column in the Newsletter for Questions and Answers about dogs and training. There is a lot of expertise at the Club. If you have a question about training on which you are stumped, please forward it to the Editor and I will put it to the Training Sub Committee for advice.

### **This month's training tip:**

Don't try to copy the end result of an exercise you see someone else doing. The exercises are structure in stages. Master each stage before attempting to go on to the next. If you try to go too fast too soon, you will just confuse your dog and become disappointed and frustrated.

Be patient! Hurry slowly!



### **PLEASE HELP**

**The Club is run by volunteers. The President, Committee and Instructors are all unpaid. Many hands make light work. We all want to train our dogs, but someone needs to organise things to work. Please offer our collective assistance to chip in to help.**

**We are in really need of:**

**\*\* Someone to on occasion act as a back up to relieve Jenny at the front desk (training provided).**

**If you could spare a couple of hours occasionally to help the Club, it would be very gratefully be appreciated :)**

## MERRY CHRISTMAS and a safe and HAPPY NEW YEAR



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all members and their canine companions a very happy and safe silly season!

Please remember to keep your dogs cool in the hot weather – provide plenty of water, shade, and NEVER leave them (even for short periods) in a hot car. Dogs can't sweat as we do - they can get heat exhausted very quickly (try wearing that fur coat on a hot summer day with no sweat glands except under your feet!)

Watch out for snakes, grass seeds, heart-worm carrying mozzies and other nasties. Have fun! See you all refreshed and re-invigorated, ready for action next year!



### **Titles/Trophies/Highest Scoring Awards for 2011**

Please ensure that all applications for titles and trophies are lodged with the Club by **31<sup>st</sup> October 2011**. This is essential, as the lists need to be compiled, special awards determined, trophies need to be ordered and engraved in time for the AGM. It is very disappointing to miss out – so keep the form (attached) and get it in as soon as you obtain your title!

Please ensure that all the details have been completed and note the requirements listed on the application form to determine eligibility.

**Please ensure you attach photocopies of the qualifying certificates, and have the originals sighted.**

Warringal now has a permanent board advertising our new location at Montmorency Primary School to the community. Thanks to Buckingham and Company for providing the board for Warringal.

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## **SPECIAL TITLE AWARDS:**

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### **COMMUNITY COMPANION DOG TROPHY**

Highest scoring Community Companion Dog  
Donated Dianne Baxter.

### **FRANK SMYTH MEMORIAL PERPETUAL SHIELD**

Highest scoring Novice Title.

### **GAYNOR McLAUGHLIN MEMORIAL SHIELD**

Highest scoring Open Title.

### **HIGHEST SCORING UTILITY TITLE PERPETUAL SHIELD**

Donated by L&N Kay.

### **HIGHEST SCORING WARRINGAL DOG FOR THE YEAR TROPHY**

Donated by Warringal Obedience Dog Club

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

### **TINGWALL BEN URIEL UD TD PERPETUAL SHIELD**

Utility Encouragement Award.

### **HIGHEST SCORING PASS CARD IN OPEN FOR THE YEAR (TITLED DOGS ONLY)**

Please note, dogs that qualify for the Gaynor McLaughlin Memorial Trophy are not eligible to enter this category, donated by Glen Walton.

### **HIGHEST SCORING ASSOCIATE**

Highest scoring Associate in trial for the year, donated by Tracy and Geoff Sharman.