

*Warringal Obedience Dog Club Inc.*



*'WAG'*

*June 2012*

# Club Rules

Every club requires its members to observe certain rules. Ours are not demanding and are based on common sense and courtesy.

1. Warringal Obedience Dog Club Inc. is not responsible for any misdemeanour caused by a handler or dog.
2. All members must wear their membership card when attending class.
3. Bitches in season or sick/injured dogs are not allowed on training ground.
4. Dogs must be on lead at all times whilst on training ground, except when engaged in "off lead" exercises in class.
5. Dog droppings must be picked up and placed in buckets IMMEDIATELY by handlers with the equipment provided.
6. Children must have adult supervision at all times whilst on training ground and at toilets.
7. A dog that has bitten or shows undue aggression must be reported to the Director of Training.
8. No dogs allowed in the clubhouse or on the ramp.
9. Members are not allowed to use spiked or electric collars on their dogs on the WODC grounds.
10. Under NO circumstances is food to be spat at any dog on WODC grounds. Discreet use of food in class is acceptable.

**CAUTION - BEWARE OF TETHERED DOGS**

## Class Times

Introductory:	9:30 am
Puppies (After the 2nd vaccination & up to 6 mths )	9.45 am
Beginners	9:00 am
Advanced Beginners	9:45 am
Class 1	9:45 am
Class 2	9:00 am
Class ¾	9:00am
Ring Work	9:00am
Agility	10:30am

# From the Editor,

This month your friendly 'WAG' has been produced by one of your friendly Agility Instructors, Rochelle. Anyone wishing to contribute to your friendly 'WAG' can email me at:

[loveamutt@hotmail.com](mailto:loveamutt@hotmail.com)

This is the first WAG for 2012 and I humbly apologise to all club members for missing out 'March' edition. I was unwell in March and sadly was unable to put the magazine together in time for our March edition, so I hope this edition makes up for the missing of March!

This WAG we have some new members titles to celebrate. It is wonderful to have our members doing well with their dogs and it is lovely to read of their achievements and their new titles. Please remember to send in a photo of your dog and your success in the trial rings around Victoria as I'm sure members all enjoy reading about how you have gone. It also gives some newer members a chance to read about dog sports and encourage them to continue with their dogs. So remember to keep them coming in. We also have the results to our recent Fun Day. Congratulations to EVERYONE, not just the winners, for getting out there in the ring with your dogs and strutting your stuff! It can be very nerve-racking to 'go it alone' with others watching and I'm sure everyone went well and dogs had fun. My guys certainly showed me how much MORE training I needed to do! ☺

So until next time, have fun with your dogs!!!

Rochelle Manderson



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Please remember to pick up your dog's droppings during class and to dispose of it at the end of your class. Thank you!!!



# ***PRESIDENTS REPORT***

This is my first report since my election as president, its probably due to my tardiness.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March we held our first members comp for some time and first at this ground. We ran three rings comprising beginners & advanced beginners, class 1 & 2, class 3 & CCD plus one novice, and an agility ring slightly squeezed up due to lack of space.

The day was a great success which was due to the support we received setting up, by those who judged the rings and most importantly, you as members gave by entering the various classes. Unfortunately not everyone can be a winner, but I believe everyone who participated was a winner in having a go.

The weather was perfect for trialling and it was great to work on a newly cut ground. Thanks to Zena for organizing the mowing.

Congratulations to all our members who were 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.



## **Successful members were:**

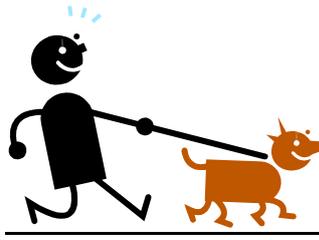
**Beginners:** 1<sup>st</sup> Janine Humpreys & Tumbby with a score of 85/100  
2<sup>nd</sup> Paul Tyers & Archie with a score of 75/100  
3<sup>rd</sup> Libby Sementriadie & Mr Chow with a score of 65/100

**Advanced Beginners:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sharon Meadows & Mia with a score of 155/180  
2<sup>nd</sup> Julie McKenzie & Mia with a score of 140/180  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jackie Walker & Kobe with a score of 135/100

**Class 1 :** 1<sup>st</sup> Lizz Offerman with a score of 167/200  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mark & Jack \*with a score of 158/200  
3<sup>rd</sup> Melody Wilcox & Rogue \*with a score of 158/200  
\*Mark & Melody both had the same score but Mark was awarded second on a count back.

**Class 2:** 1<sup>st</sup> Anne Van Loon & Dixie with a score of 162/200  
2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Conroy & Lucy with a score of 159/200  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jade Martin & Trigger with a score of 142/200

**Class 3:** 1<sup>st</sup> Janice Crooks & Harvey with a score of 180/200  
2<sup>nd</sup> Diane Vapp & Bella with a score of 179/200  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sandra Nelson & Luca with a score of 147/200



**CCD:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wally & Jed with a score of 95/100

2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Crooks & Harvey with a score of 75/100

3<sup>rd</sup> Sandra Nelson & Luca with a score of 73/100

**Novice :** 1<sup>st</sup> Shaun & Barney with a score of 155/200



**Agility :** **Pre Novice:**

1<sup>st</sup> Rochelle Manderson & Steve

2<sup>nd</sup> Diane Vapp & Bella

3<sup>rd</sup> Rochelle Manderson & Prince

**Novice :**

1<sup>st</sup> Hannah Vedder & Logan

2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Crooks & Harvie

3<sup>rd</sup> Rochelle Manderson & Adelaide

**Excellent:**

1<sup>st</sup> Chris Wong & Sylvie

2<sup>nd</sup> Rochelle Manderson & Zane

**Master :**

1<sup>st</sup> Chris Wong & Cody

2<sup>nd</sup> Rochelle Manderson & B'elanna

3<sup>rd</sup> Chris Wong & Xander.



What is going to happen in the near future:

Remember after you gain some control of your dog you may like to have a go at Agility.

Chris & Rochelle will offer some guidance in this discipline.

“RallyOh” a lot of people have heard of it and we are about to try it so watch this space for future announcements.

If you have any queries regarding the exercises you do in your various classes, or wish to know why we do things a certain way please ask one of the instructors about the matter either before or after class they will be happy to advise you.

Gordon Strachan



*Dogs and handlers prepare for their turn in the ring at the fun day*

## TITLES AND AWARDS!

If you and your dog have been awarded a title or award recently, write a little something about your efforts and send it in complete with a photo of your best mate for publication! Well done to all members doing well out there in trial land! Get those fingers working and email me at [loveamutt@hotmail.com](mailto:loveamutt@hotmail.com) for the next issue!

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### *Double Trouble!!!*

*Gr Ch Hapipet Mystery Solved JD DWDF.S  
SD*

*AND*

*Barajy Silvie AD JD*

It finally happened!!! After two years of trialing Zane and Sylvie have earned their Strategic Pairs Dog Title. Chris and I started Pairs with Zane and Sylvie almost as a joke as a Schipperke and a Tibetan Spaniel is an unlikely match for agility success, however we gained a pass on our very first attempt at Hastings Agility trial in pouring rain. After this we decided to keep going and 2 years later we gained our second pass in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. We were almost ready to give up many times but pressed on, and with our second pass we were granted new hope. However, it was many months before we gained our third and final pass, at Ballarat. I convinced Chris to travel for this trial and I'm very pleased we gained our title, as I'd have never heard the end of it had we travelled all that way and failed again. ☺ Moral of this story, never give up!



*Congratulations to Chris & Sylvie and Rochelle & Zane on their SPD title!*

# ***BASILIKA FYERO JD***

## **“SKIPPER”**



Skipper has gained his Novice Jumping title!!!!!!

For anyone who doesn't know, Skipper is a pure bred Papillon. I didn't get Skipper until he was 16 months old. His first 8 months were as a show dog, he really is a pretty boy, but his front legs didn't stay as straight as they should have. So, he was re-homed to a lovely lady called Janice. Unfortunately Skipper didn't get on well with her husband and was a little strong willed for her. Janice tried for 8 months to make things work but it just wasn't to be, and thank goodness for that otherwise I wouldn't have ended up with him.

So, when Skipper came to me, he hadn't really been socialised properly and hadn't really been allowed off lead to run and burn off all his excess energy. He had some basic obedience as Janice and I met at the club, but he wasn't really obedient. I always walk my dogs off lead at parks and at the start all he wanted to do is run off and try and have a go at any dogs he came across but I soon persuaded him not to and he started to learn that he had to listen and obey. Skipper turned 3 in August 2011 and he walks off lead all the time now and doesn't run away and he doesn't try to have a go at dogs all the time.

It took us 17 trials to gain the 3 passes required for Skippers Novice Jumping title. His very first trial he ran out of the ring and I went out and pinned him to the ground, needless to say he didn't run out of the ring again. We have disqualified multiple times and missed by the odd minor fault but it is all starting to come together now.

His scores for his JD title were as follows:

CLUB PLACING	DATE	JUDGE	COURSE TIME	COMPLETED IN
Warringal ODC	18/06/11	R Diamond	40 sec	35:72 sec - 1 <sup>st</sup> !
Warringal ODC	03/12/11	P Buykx	36 sec	26:28 sec
Warringal ODC	03/12/11	R Diamond	38 sec	35:16 sec

The key to training Skipper was to be very firm with him, yes he has had plenty of corrections (for having a go) and has been pinned to the ground numerous times but I have convinced him that I am the alpha dog, so now he listens and obeys. He also gets lots of cuddles and treats and of course off lead running so he is now very happy. Janice and I have become great friends so we walk together lots and she still has plenty of contact with Skipper and of course now has her own beautiful little Papillon boy Harvie who is very well behaved. Sometimes you have to be firm on a dog to ensure good behaviour, never cruel but firm and consistent, and once you're in charge the dog is a lot happier and that is what we should want for our best friends.

Gayle Baxter and Skipper

*But wait, there's more.....*

## **BASILIKA FYERO JD AD “SKIPPER”**



Skipper has gained his Novice Agility title!!!!!!

It took us 21 trials to gain the 3 passes required for Skippers Novice Agility title.

His scores for his AD title were as follows:

CLUB	DATE	JUDGE	COURSE TIME	COMPLETED IN
State Trial	09/09/11	R Diamond	68 sec	47:57 sec
State Trial	03/09/11	A Claughton	66 sec	57:81 sec
Agility Dog Club	08/04/12	M Cowman	66 sec	62:91 sec – 1 <sup>st</sup> !

Skipper can work really well but he requires a certain amount of attention for him to be content enough to listen and behave. He must have time to run and chase the ball otherwise he is way too excited to do anything. And I only just worked out that he is not very happy when I spend too much time with my new Papillon "Koda", who we only got in January. Skipper doesn't normally like to sit on my lap and be cuddled but it seems he much preferred that to me cuddling Koda.

One of Skippers biggest problems with Agility is that he frequently doesn't do his contacts on the dog walk. He has been known, to the horror of myself and the judge, to actually jump off the dog walk from the top and that really is a long way down for a little dog, but he has done it several times. I then have to go through retraining him and trying to convince him to not only stay on the dog walk but to walk all the way to the end and touch the colour.

Skipper is a work in progress but he is getting better all the time, I will just have to see how he goes at the Excellent level of Agility and Jumping which of course is harder and faster.

Gayle Baxter and Skipper

*Congratulations to Gayle and Skipper on earning their Jumping & Agility Dog (JD & AD) titles!*



## *Papco Harvie AD JDX 'Harvie'*

### **Agility Dog Title!!!**

On the 1/4/12 at Moorabbin & DODC Harvie passed his first two legs of his AD title, firstly under Judge Murray Tyler where Harvie won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in 48.65 seconds. Shortly after under Judge Peter Buykx Harvie again won 1<sup>st</sup> place, this time 41.90 seconds. Harvie gained his Agility Dog Title with his third pass at the Agility Dog Club of Victoria's Easter trial on the 7/4/12 under judge Roger Padfield, finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 52.12 seconds. Harvie finished the weekend trial with an extra pass with judge Michael Cowman, finishing once again in 1<sup>st</sup> place in only 47.51 seconds.



*Congratulations to Janice and Harvie on gaining your Agility Dog (AD) title in style!*

### **Jumping Dog Excellent**



12/5/12 with 1<sup>st</sup> place.

Janice and Harvie have continued to excel at Agility trials around Victoria and earned their JDX title. They won 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Papillon Club of Victoria. Success, again, came at the big Easter trial at the Agility Dog Club Victoria when Harvie qualified in 1<sup>st</sup> place under judge Annette Cloughton, and then qualified in 2<sup>nd</sup> place under judge J Lawrence from South Australia. Harvie qualified and placed at Geelong ODC agility trial, before earning his final qualifying scores at Bulla Agility Dogs trial on



*Congratulations to Janice and Harvie on earning their Jumping Dog Excellent (JDX) title!*

# *Gr Ch Hapipet Mystery Solved DWDF.S*

## *JD SD*



‘Zane’

Zane has also earned his Novice Snooker title. Our first attempts at Snooker were less than successful. Snooker requires dog and handler to negotiate an opening and closing sequence. The opening sequence consists of a ‘red’ bar jump followed by a ‘coloured’ obstacle, earning 10 points, then a closing sequence of 6 numbered obstacles that are set out by the judge in order. Zane became very confused in the opening sequence each time we tried this game, as he couldn’t understand why I would

pull (call) him away from an obstacle in front of him (the ‘obvious’ obstacle) to take a bar jump. So I gave Zane a break from Snooker and every so often tried him again, each time having the same response. It demotivated him and Zane became upset, which is everything you avoid when doing agility! However, late last year I tried Zane in Snooker at Berwick trial, and to my surprise Zane responded well and understood, passing the round well. His confidence and experience had increased to a point where he understood what was expected of him, so I continued on with Snooker and entered him at the next trial offering the game. Zane once again passed without any problems, leaving us with only one more pass to get for our title. We entered Moorabbin trial and Zane ran beautifully, only for me to find out at the end I had missed a tunnel in the closing sequence and failed the round (ALL my fault!!!). So I entered Zane in the Agility Dog Club’s Easter trials and Zane passed both snooker rounds (even though he only needed to pass one of them), and passed both in 1<sup>st</sup> place!!! On our final pass we earned the MAXIMUM points possible for a round of Snooker.



*So well done to Rochelle and Zane on their Snooker Dog (SD) title!*

# Graduations!!!

September, October, November, December 2011

## Promoted to **Advanced Beginners**

Martin & Texas

Marilyn & Sebastian

Damien & Tux

Jenny & Mali

Margot & Cody

Max & Charlie

Ben & Blade

Carmel & Poppy

## Promoted to **Class 1**

Amanda & Nero

Jenny & Mali

Rebecca & Murphy

Ben & Blade

Max & Charlie

## Promoted to **Class 2**

Carol & Alice

David & China

Megan & Dexter

Corey & Buffy

## Promoted to **Class 3**

Graeme & Kai

Stephen & Sashi

Bob & Kiah

Nolda & Kelly

Zena & Deva

Nadine & Ziggy

Cheryl & Lily

Chris & Daisy

June & Coco

**January, February, March, April 2012**

Promoted to **Advanced Beginners**

Louise & Ruka

Cassie & Ruben

Julie & Mia

Mark & Jack

Corey & Ripper

Mark & Wednesday

Emily & Zoe

Jaci & Kobe

Libby & Mr Chow

Hannah & Yogo

Paul & Archie

Rochelle & Carl

Chris & Teddy

Chris & Arnie

Sarah & Lottie

Kris & Millie

Erin & Bonnie

Nicole & Stella

Sharyn & Mia

Julie & Dora

Promoted to **Class 1**

Colleen & Saarc

Corey & Ripper

Cassie & Ruben

Mark & Wednesday

Louise & Ruka

Mark & Jack

Julie & Mia

Emily & Zoe

Jaci & Kobe

Hannah & Yogo

Janine & Tumby

Promoted to **Class 2**

Liz & Buddy

Promoted to **Class 4**

Janice & Harvey

# Fun Day Happy Snaps!!!

I managed to snap a few photos of our recent fun day to include in the WAG. I wasn't able to get everyone who participated or who won, but I have some that I shall include below. Enjoy!

If you won a ribbon and I didn't manage to get a photo for this WAG, or if you have a nice photo of your dog from the day doing his or her 'thing' in the ring, you can email a photo JPEG to [loveamutt@hotmail.com](mailto:loveamutt@hotmail.com) and I shall include a page next issue. If you can have them in by the end of July would be great. ☺





Warrigal dogs strutting their stuff, doing their thing, showing off, or waiting for their time to shine ©



The Canine European Commission has just announced an agreement whereby English will be the official language of the Canine European Union rather than German, which was the other possibility.

As part of the negotiations, the British Bulldog conceded that English spelling had some room for improvement and has accepted a 5- year phase-in

plan that would become known as "Euro-English".

In the first year, "s" will replace the soft "c". Certainly, this will make the sivil servants jump with joy. The hard "c" will be dropped in favour of "k". This should klear up konfusion, and keyboards kan have one less letter.

There will be growing publik enthusiasm in the sekond year when the troublesome "ph" will be replaced with "f".. This will make words like fotograf 20% shorter.

In the 3rd year, publik akseptanse of the new spelling kan be ekspekted to reach the stage where more komplikated changes are possible.

Governments will enkourage the removal of double letters which have always ben a deterrent to akurate speling.

Also, al wil agre that the horibl mes of the silent "e" in the languag is disgrasful and it should go away.



By the 4th yer people wil be reseptiv to steps such as replasing "th" with "z" and "w" with "v".

During ze fifz yer, ze unesesary "o" kan be dropd from vords kontaining "ou" and after ziz fifz yer, ve vil hav a reil sensi bl riten styl.

Zer vil be no mor trubl or difikultis and evrivun vil find it ezi tu understand ech oza. Ze drem of a united urop vil finali kum tru.

Und efter ze fifz yer, ve vil al be speking German like zey vunted in ze forst plas.



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Got a funny story or dog related joke??? Send it in to the WAG at [loveamutt@hotmail.com](mailto:loveamutt@hotmail.com)

## WHAT IS DOGS VICTORIA???

Dogs Victoria is the governing body for Victorian dog sports, and the organisation responsible with maintaining a breed registry. If you have a pedigree dog you will have been given a Certificate of Pedigree when you purchased your puppy, recording the parentage of your dog. Dogs Victoria is responsible for the Victorian registry of purebred dogs. If you have a mixed breed or non-pedigreed dogs, Dogs Victoria is also responsible for the 'Associate Register', a register for dogs competing in obedience, agility, tracking, endurance, Rally O, Dances with Dogs, Retrieving, and other such performance events. Any dog competing in Dogs Victoria events must be registered with Dogs Victoria as a Pedigree or Associate dog. Pedigree dogs are also allowed to enter Dog Shows, also held by Dogs Victoria. Dogs Victoria is the Victorian branch of the Australian National Kennel Council.

Dogs Victoria publish a monthly magazine that includes articles about dog sports, health, dogs and the law, and other interesting dog-related news. The magazine also includes a Gazette that lists the Dogs Victoria calendar and schedules telling members how to enter shows and trials. There is a lot of important information contained in the Dogs Victoria magazine.

And guess what???

Warringal Obedience Dog Club is affiliated with Dogs Victoria!

Furthermore, we get the Dogs Victoria magazine delivered to our club each month for OUR members to read. So if anyone who is not a Dogs Victoria member (or even if you are) would like to read the Magazine you are welcome to come to the desk and have a look. You may learn something new about a dog sport you are interested in trying, or you may find out something about your dog's health. The Dogs Victoria magazine is part of our service to you, our members, and the magazine is there for anyone to read while you are at club on a Sunday. If you would like to join Dogs Victoria to begin trials, speak to your instructor and they will be happy to help you.

**OF COURSE, NOTHING CAN COMPARE TO THE LITERARY EXCELLENCE OF THE  
WARRINGAL WAG... ☺☺☺**

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*Our next issue of WAG will be out in September so please have your contributions in to*

*[loveamutt@hotmail.com](mailto:loveamutt@hotmail.com)*

*by the August 20<sup>th</sup> at the latest.*

*Any contribution is welcome!*

*Not computer savvy? Bring in a hard copy to the desk on a Sunday morning!*