

***WARRINGAL OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.***



***'WAG'***

***MARCH 2013***

## ***Club Guidelines***

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 (WODC) is not responsible for any misdemeanor 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 the training ground.
4. Dogs must be on lead at all times whilst on the training ground, except when engaged in "off lead" exercises.
5. Dog droppings must be picked up IMMEDIATELY by handlers and removed from the school grounds. There is a bin on the corner of Rattray Road and Were Street opposite the school.
6. Children aged 12 years and under must have adult supervision at all times whilst on the training ground and at the toilets.
7. Smoking is not permitted in classes or on school grounds.
8. A dog that has bitten or shows undue aggression must be reported to an instructor/committee member.
9. Members are not allowed to use spiked or electric collars on their dogs on the WODC grounds.
10. Under NO circumstances, at any time, is food to be spat or thrown at any dog or held in the mouth for use as a training aid on WODC grounds. Discreet use of food from the hand is acceptable.
11. Dogs are not permitted on the tennis courts or in the administration building (the castle).
12. Instructors are not to take handlers' dogs to demonstrate any exercise.

### **CAUTION - BEWARE OF TETHERED DOGS**

Caution is required where dogs have been tied up to a post/stake. Members are requested to take care walking past the area at the side of the containers.

Class Times	
Introductory:	9:30 – 10:00 am
Puppies (When sufficient numbers )	10:00 - 10.45 am
Beginners	9:00 – 9:30 am
Advanced Beginners	9:45 – 10:30 am
Class 1	9:45 – 10:30 am
Class 2	9:00 – 10:00 am
Class 3 & 4	9:00 – 10:00am
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 Wag includes some happy snaps from our recent fun day, so enjoy the photos. We also have some more titles to celebrate. Well done to all our members who are training their dogs and progressing through the classes, Sunday mornings offer plenty of fun for 2 and 4 legged creatures. 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. If you have had a recent win at a trial then I'd love to know this too...results AND titles are always welcome for the WAG.*



*This issue we continue our series of articles about the many different dog sports around Victoria. Our performance/trial feature follows on from last issue, and this issue looks at something very close to my heart, Agility!!! Due to my love affair with the sport, this sport may last for a little more than just one WAG ☺*

*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!!!**



# Fun Day!

Our final training day for 2012 saw lots of our members having plenty of fun on our 'fun day' & Christmas party. I took plenty of happy snaps and tried to get photos of everybody's dogs on the day. Congratulations to those who won a ribbon, but I think we all agree our dogs are all stars in the making!



It's Christmas!



Let's Play Ball!



Busy at the BBQ with El Pres!



The Raffle Table - Well Done Janice!



Guard Dogs!



I Wanna Play Too!



Some of the dogs strutting their stuff...



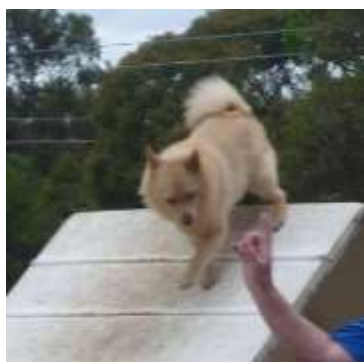
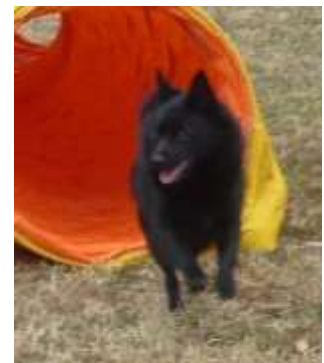


All of our fun day dogs are winners, but here are some of them...





Agility...





Candid shots...





*Some more fantastic Fun Day dogs...*









## ART+WORK...

Thanks to the committee & helpers who have done a wonderful job painting our containers and making our club beautiful. Although I promised not to mention names, check out Gordon's wonderful dogs... ☺



## IN OTHER NEWS...

Warringal's Agility demo team are performing a demonstration at Northcote Obedience Dog Club's Big Day Out for dogs on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April at their grounds at Aberfeldie. Northcote, like us, are also affiliated with Dogs Victoria and train in Obedience, and they will be discussing all sorts of things from dog care to the new Rally O (what's that I hear you ask??? See Gordon at 10 o'clock on Sunday mornings for Rally O training ☺). We wish the Demo team all the best and I'm sure they will do Warringal proud as they strut their stuff. This is a public event and anyone interested can pick up a flyer from the desk on Sunday.



Hopefully someone will also take some pics of our demo team in action for the WAG. ☺

(Hint Hint guys ☺)

**NEWS FLASH.....**

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

**To Chris Wong and the AMAZING  
AGILITY CHAMPION (300) Kumbirra Pure Pirate RN  
ADM JDM SDM SDPX GDX JDO**



## **WARRINGAL'S FIRST EVER AGILITY CHAMPION!!!**

The Agility Champion title is fairly new and extremely difficult to achieve. A dog must earn their Masters title in both the Agility and Jumping classes on ANKC Agility trials AND THEN... gain a further 500 POINTS in Agility and 500 POINTS in Jumping by qualifying, earning between 10 and 25 points per qualifying run, depending on if they finish 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place for their height.

Chris and Cody earned their final Agility Champion points at Moorabbin ODTA Agility trial under Judge Heather Diamond, with a 1<sup>st</sup>



place & in Masters Agility. Congratulations to Chris and her new Champion Cody, keep up the great work!

PS: Chris, I still want an article from you for the next WAG ☺ ☺ ☺



# DOG EVENTS & TRIALS AROUND VICTORIA...

## *Part Two: Agility*



This Wag continues our series of articles about dog sports around Victoria and what is involved in getting involved! And this issue we focus on my own personal favourite, Dog Agility. ☺ When you think of agility think speed with control, think a great dog game but with rules, and think of working in harmony with your dog so that all you need to is turn your shoulder and your dog reacts on the course. Agility requires each dog to negotiate an obstacle course of different jumps, tunnels, 'contact equipment' (like bridges and sea saws), weaving poles, and it is a great spectator sport. In fact, it is nearly as much fun to watch as it is to run.

Within the sport of 'Agility' are classes in agility, jumping, and agility games. Agility involves running a course including all obstacles, while jumping only uses jumps and tunnels but is performed at a much faster speed. Agility games can be a little confusing to explain but essentially test skills such as distance work (dog working away from the handler), accuracy, and control. Games include Gamblers (distance), Snooker (accuracy), and Strategic Pairs (control). These classes are all recognised and controlled by the Australian national Kennel Council or ANKC, and run through each state controlling body, Dogs Victoria.



There is a second American organisation called NADAC, and they hold trials across the Victoria as well. Their rules differ slightly but the training and principles are the same in both organisations. They offer 7 different classes and include classes of just tunnels, or courses that focus on weaving or contact equipment. They also offer classes for Veteran dogs or veteran handlers, which many people take advantage of once their dog (or themselves) are getting older. The ANKC and NADAC do not recognise each other, but many people compete in both ANKC and NADAC agility trials.

ADAA is a third organisation who hold agility trials, however they have not yet started holding regular trials in Victoria, and their trials are run predominately in NSW and QLD. What a shame!

(Written by Rochelle)



**The following information has been taken from Dogs Victoria website  
([www.dogsvictoria.org.au](http://www.dogsvictoria.org.au))**

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## **PURE FUN. PURE SPORT. PURE AGILITY**



Agility is a fast, exciting, fun activity for you and your dog. Agility involves competitors directing their dogs around obstacle courses in an attempt to both negotiate the obstacles correctly and 'beat the clock'. The obstacles comprise various types of jumps, ramps, elevated walks, poles that the dogs weave through, different types of tunnels and a see-saw.

Participation in agility training or trialling is great fun. It enables you to provide a release for the energy of your pet and yourself in a way that can be much more interesting

and exciting than simply taking your dog for a walk. It helps your family pet to become more responsive to you and also helps you to gain more control and have a more obedient dog. Agility is an exciting way to enhance your leisure time with your dog. In many suburbs of Melbourne and country towns and cities throughout the state there are clubs which, for a modest fee, provide training in agility during the weekends, weekday evenings or both.

Competitions are held at state and national levels and are structured in a similar manner to equestrian events. The judge designs and sets up the 'obstacle course', measures its length and after considering the degree of difficulty calculates a standard time in which the course should be completed by the dog. Each competing dog has to run the course within the set time, negotiate all the obstacles in the correct order and correct manner in order to avoid receiving course or time penalties.

Agility, and its companion activity, jumping are structured for dog owners with all levels of skill and physical ability and provide the opportunity to attain more enjoyment from dog ownership. During actual agility and jumping trials there are several levels of competition ranging from novice level to suit dogs new to the sport to master level for more experienced dogs. There are also jumping competitions at the basic level that include only jumps and tunnels which gives the opportunity for dog owners to join in the fun of trials soon after they begin teaching their dog the sport.



Agility is perhaps the fastest growing dog sport in the world which can be enjoyed by any family owning a dog.



**IF YOU ARE TRIALING IN AGILITY, OR HAVE TRIALED  
IN THE PAST, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!! SEND IN  
YOUR STORY TO [LOVEAMUTT@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:LOVEAMUTT@HOTMAIL.COM) BY THE  
END OF MAY FOR PUBLICATION IN THE JUNE WAG!**

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## 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! I KNOW there are more dogs out there earning titles so send them in. ☺

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### AGILITY DOG 3 YEARS IN THE MAKING!

*Gr Ch Hapipet Mystery Solved AD JD SD SPD QD DWDFS – aka 'Zane'*



Zane has earned his Agility Dog (AD) title at our home clubs trial – Warringal ODC on Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup> under Judge Vikki Josephs (SA). The weather was warm but the course was lovely and Zane didn't even look like making a mistake, completing a beautiful round.

To earn the AD title, a dog must earn 3 qualifying rounds in the Novice Agility class. A qualifying round must have no mistakes (such as missed contact colours, dropped bars, incorrect weaving poles, or taking the wrong obstacle etc), and must complete the course under the set standard course time – in Novice Agility this is usually around 3 metres per second. Agility is entirely off lead, with no food, toys or other training tools allowed in the trial ring. The course is set by the judge and is different every trial, but must include various jumps, tunnels, Weaving poles, a Dog Walk and A Frame (aka Scramble), and a pause table. Zane loves the A Frame but never liked the weaving poles, which is why it took us so long to earn our AD title!

Zane's first Qualifying round was at our own Schipperke Club trial back in 2010! He was still a very inexperienced agility dog at this point and only just made time.

However he qualified in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and also won the fastest Schipperke in Agility for the day. We didn't pass Agility again for a further two years as Zane continually failed at the weaving poles, or if we managed the weaving poles they had taken us so long to do we were over time. However earlier 2012 Zane started to really get the hang of 12 weaving poles and we passed our 2<sup>nd</sup> leg at our own trial once again, this time in 2012, again winning the fastest Schipperke in Agility for the day. Zane's third and final pass came at Warringal ODC trial on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2012 with Judge Vicki Josephs (SA), where we passed despite the warm weather (Zane never likes to run fast in the heat), and we gained our Agility Dog (AD) title. Go Zane!



Rochelle Manderson

## MILAMGIMBI LILAC TWIST (Barney)

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from this

Barney at 4 weeks old.

to this.

Barney at 7 months old doing his sit stay at our first obedience trial in CCD at northern obedience dog club, we finished 2<sup>nd</sup> place and a pass with a score of 87 points.



to this.

Barney's first novice pass.

we had 3 passes out of 5 try's in novice with points ranging between 182 to 195.



Barney and me relaxing and enjoying a well-earned break with a BBQ on holiday's.

This may not be a good idea to teach your dog but Barney has very good table manners.

I must thank all of the Warringal instructors and fellow trailers for helping retrain me to train Barney so we could achieve the results we did this year.

P.S we need 1 more pass in open to get our CDX title.



*Editor's note: Thanks to Shaun for the great article!*

*For the record: The Schipperke sitting beside Barney in the second photo is not mine ☺*



## A JACK OF ALL TRADES and A MASTER OF FUN...

*Sir Tommy CCD RN ADX JDX SDX SPDM GD DWDFS HTMN ET*

My eldest boy Tommy has earned his Masters title in Strategic Pairs, giving us our first Masters title after many years of fun and trialing. Tommy paired with Chris and her Sheltie Cody from Novice class right through to Masters (except for two trials, where he paired with Chris's other sheltie, Xander). They were a very successful pair, often winning the ring and beating out the Border Collies! For those who don't know about Tommy, here's his story in brief...



Tommy was 13 months old when he became my dog. He was free to good home from a relative who had found out she was pregnant and couldn't keep a young dog. He is supposed to be a Jack Russell X, but who knows... even a DNA test couldn't tell us his primary breeding. We do know, however, that he is a dog. ☺ We joined Warringal when Tommy was



18 months old as he was very out of control and I thought it would be fun to do on a Sunday morning. He was my first dog I trained and I sure learnt a lot. It took us 12 months of solid training to get Tommy to the point where we could take off his lead and he would come back, at which time we began training in agility. I guess you could say the rest is history.

Fast forward to December 2012 at our own agility trial and Tommy was only one pass away from his Masters Pairs title. Tommy. By this stage, was semi-retired from agility trials as he was getting old and wasn't able to do what he used to when he was younger. For this reason, Chris and I had to be very clever about the way we ran our courses to ensure the best possible chance at passing, with Cody doing the lion's share of the course four our last couple of passes. The wonderful end to this is that we passed this course, giving Tommy his SPDM title. Thanks to Chris for being a great partner – and Cody now runs his pairs courses with Tommy's younger step sister, my girl B'Elanna. Tommy, on the other hand, is enjoying his agility retirement, coming out every so often for a bit of fun.



Well done to Tommy, my little genius! ☺

Rochelle Manderson

## **TWO NEW CHAMPIONS!**

### ***Aust Ch Adorin Million Dollar Baby – 'Hilary'***



I'm very proud to announce my girl Hilary earned her final points for her Australian Champion title on the weekend at Casterton Kennel Club show under Judge Mrs Courtney-Reid (SA)! Hilary was the sole surviving puppy in her litter and was very special from then onwards. She was a naughty girl in the baby class, never wanting to stand still, however I let her have a bit of fun and find her form without pressuring her into behaving, and at around 6 months old she suddenly understood what to do and became quite the little show girl. By 6 months old she was showing like a dream in the ring and

would walk into the show ring with head, ears and tail up and a real 'look at me' presence. She took many a judges eye and won multiple Minor Puppy in Group awards. She took on all comers and beat many bitches older than her on her way to her Champion. Hilary titled at only 8 months of age from the minor puppy class with multiple Minor puppy in Group awards to her credit. She is my 3rd home bred champion and my youngest to title.

Love you beautiful :- ) (Rochelle Manderson)

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### ***CH. Adorin Golden Mystery – 'Sally'***



'Happy New Year' came early for us when Sally earned her final points and her Champion on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 at KCC Park New Years Eve show. Although I officially own Sally, she is shared between myself and my brother, and resides at his place when she isn't being a showgirl. Sally was only very lightly shown for this reason, and achieved some nice wins and 'In Groups' (All breeds) along the way to her title. Her biggest highlight would be when she won Best Coloured at the Schipperke

Club Champ Show under a Belgium specialist, and her critique from this show says it all...

"9 months old. Lovely type bitch. Very complete. Excellent type. Pretty head with lovely expression. Excellent eyes. Perfect ears. Excellent stop and parallelisms. Excellent silhouette. Super top and underline. Balanced angulations. Perfect bone. excellent small feet. Moves smoothly. Super bitch. I love her."

- Mrs Pauline Stern-Hanf (Belgium)

Sally took some time out for motherhood and whelped two beautiful boys before returning to the ring to earn her final points. Although she never really enjoyed the ring after her puppies, she showed nicely and has become my fifth homebred Champion.

Well done Sweetie! (Rochelle Manderson)



## **NEUT. CH. Adorin Ready Teddy Go - 'Teddy'**

My beautiful boy Teddy gained his Neuter Champion title on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November at Casterton Kennel Club Show, Judge Mrs Courtney Reid (SA).

My thanks to his breeder Rochelle Manderson for letting me become his owner and also for handling him in all the shows. My daughter's and I fell in love with him when we first laid eyes on him at about a week old. We actually have a preference for the cream colour and he was named Teddy by us, as when we cradled him in our hands he looked just like a little Teddy Bear. The Ready Teddy Go was hopefully an omen for when he started agility!



Many judges said what a lovely dog he was and wondered why he had been neutered. Teddy was always going to be neutered, as are all my other animals (two Shetland Sheepdogs, a Tibetan Spaniel and two cats), as I feel that if you are not going to breed then that is the responsible thing to do. However, I was quite happy for Rochelle to show him when she informed me that he could be shown in the Neuter Class and she would like to do that, as he was too nice not to be exhibited. Judges have been impressed with Teddy's quality, complementing his structure, his type, his reach and drive on the move, and his lovely rich gold colour, to list a few. He has won multiple Neuter Class in Group awards (All Breeds)', and Neuter in Show awards along the way (All Breeds & Specialty).

Since he will be starting his Agility career in February when he has reached the 18 month entry age, I wanted to get his neuter champion title before then, as he will not be available



for many shows once this commences (this is my main dog activity-Teddy will be the fifth dog I have done agility with). So now it's onto agility trialing, for which Teddy has shown quite a bit of promise during training, so dad Zane you had better look out, as junior is on his way to try knocking you off the top of the agility performance ladder!

Teddy's proud and loving Mum, Chris xxx

*Editor's note: Thanks to Chris for the wonderful article on Teddy*



## **In 2013 Live Like A Dog!**

Love simply.  
Love generously.  
Care deeply.  
Speak kindly.

Remember, if a dog was the teacher you would learn things like:

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.

Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.

Take naps.

Stretch before rising.

Run, romp, and play daily.

Thrive on attention and let people touch you.

Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.

On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.

On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.

When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.

Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.

Be loyal.

Never pretend to be something you're not.

If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.

When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by, and nuzzle them gently.

**ENJOY EVERY MOMENT OF EVERY DAY!**



*Editor's note: Thanks to Janice for sending in this lovely poem*





## The only 'Obedience' titles some dogs will ever get...

### BD: Bed Dog

- Waits to be invited on the bed.
- Able to get on bed by self.
- Snuggles next to you when you are alone in bed.
- Knows not to eliminate in bed.



### BDX: Bed Dog Excellent

- All of the above plus:
- Able to get up on bed between two sleeping adults and finds a comfortable place without disturbing people.
- Jumps off bed without waking anyone up.
- Does not leap off bed barking if cat walks through room.

### UBD: Utility Bed Dog

- All of the above plus:
- Able to get on bed with a person and at least one other dog, and find a good space without awakening person.
- Has learned not to pass gas while in bed.
- Does not leap off bed barking even if other dogs in household start barking.



### UBDX: Utility Bed Dog Excellent

- All of the above plus:
- Wipes feet before getting in bed
- Gets on bed with another dog and two cats and a person without disturbing person
- Rearranges cats to get closer to person.
- Blames cat if passes gas in bed.
- Does not leave until person is ready to get up in the morning.



*Editor's note: thanks to Chris for sending in this amusing joke. And to clear any possible confusion, this is a joke and these titles are not, in fact, real titles. ☺*

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**If you have a funny joke, lovely poem, or cute photo, please send them in!  
Send your contributions to me at [loveamutt@hotmail.com](mailto:loveamutt@hotmail.com)**

## Class Graduations!!

### November 2012- 21<sup>st</sup> April 2013

Congratulations to all those dogs and their handlers who were promoted on a Sunday morning over the last few months! Keep up the good work!!

November 2012	Handler	Dog	Promoted to Class
	Cait	Winter	1
	Phillipa	Lola	2
	Scott	Vader	2
	Gary	Olly	2
<b>February 2013</b>			
	Megan	Dexter	3
	Luke	Tumby	3
	Sarah	Emmie	Advanced Beginners
	Emmo	Winston	Advanced Beginners
	Gayle	Tess	Advanced Beginners
	Sandra	Rhylah	Advanced Beginners
	Shelley	Asher	2
<b>March 2013</b>			
	Stacey	Cleo	2
	Vicki	Flair	2
	Alexis	Zoe	2
	Diane	Rusty	Advanced Beginners
	Sheridan	Dusty	Advanced Beginners
	Joel	Brinkley	Advanced Beginners
	Mariel	Clifford	Advanced Beginners
	Leah	Ed	Advanced Beginners
	Claudiu	Barney	Advanced Beginners
	Libby	Mr. Chow	2
	Amanda	Tiger	Advanced Beginners
	Sandra	Rhylah	1
	Emma	Winston	1
	Joel	Brinkley	1
	Sheridan	Dusty	1
	Tom	Haven	Advanced Beginners
	John	Buddy	Advanced Beginners
	Gayle	Tess	1
<b>April 2013</b>			
	Amanda	Tiger	1
	John	Buddy	1
	Tom	Haven	1
	Mariel	Clifford	1
	Leah	Ed	1
	Emma	Winston	2
	Tony	Tyler	Advanced Beginners
	Rowena	Mia	Advanced Beginners
	Justine	George	Advanced Beginners
	Gayle	Tess	Advanced Beginners
	Sandra	Rhylah	Advanced Beginners
	Louise	Ruka	3
	Sarah	Lottie	3
	Sandra	Rhylah	2
	Gayle	Tess	2