

Queanbeyan and District Dog Training Club Inc

# THE NEWSHOUND

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Carmen Kong

## TRAINING TIMES SUNDAY MORNING

Beginners / Puppies	9.00 to 10.00 am	Bitches in season are not permitted at training classes.  All dogs are to remain on leash whilst at training classes unless they are doing an exercise controlled by an Instructor.
Intermediate	10.00 to 11.00 am	
Advanced	10.00 to 11.00 am	
Community Companion Dog	10.00 to 11.00 am	
Recreation	9.00 to 10.00 am	
Novice	10.00 to 11.00 am	
Open	9.00 to 10.00 am	

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## **President's Blog**

Welcome to a brand new year of training. It is astounding that 2018 has arrived and one month is almost gone! The weather is hot! Please consider a cool coat for your dog, especially for dark/black coated dogs. Take care to have regular drink breaks for yourself and your dog.

To those who are joining us for the very first time, I applaud you for making the decision to train your dog and develop the bond between you. I encourage you to continue training your dog at least until you reach the CCD Community Companion Dog level. Only at this level of training do you have a well-mannered K9 companion. I hope you have a long and happy association with our club.

The Instructors and committee are all volunteers, and offer their time to help you in your training journey. Welcome back and congratulations to all those returning members who have made the commitment to continue in their training journey and strengthen the bond with their dog/s.

Thank you to the many volunteers and committee who make it possible for our club to operate. I'd like to advise you that we hold our Meetings on the last Thursday of every month at 6.30pm and encourage everyone to attend and have a say in how our club is run. Check the shop for a notice of where and when the meetings are held.

Have a look at the calendar of events in the Newshound and on the website (<http://queanbeyandogs.org.au/index.php/qddtc-calendar/year.listevents>) for upcoming events. We endeavour to publish all local upcoming Obedience, Rally O, Agility trails, and Dancing With Dogs competitions. Check them out just to see what is possible with some training. There are many dog sports available in our region.

Good luck with your training this term whether you are training your dog to become a well-mannered canine, or training to compete in one of the many different dog sports available to us all. Remember to slip slap slop this term and keep yourself and your dog hydrated.

Just remember when you are hot this also means your dog is as well!!!

Looking forward to seeing you all out there 😊

*Adam Torretto*

## 2017 Club Perpetual Trophy Winners



Our Club has a number of perpetual trophies which are awarded at the Christmas Break Up day each December. These recognise outstanding achievement in several fields and the winner's names are added to the growing list engraved on each trophy.

### **Best Gentleman Handler**

Victor Grzeskiewicz with  
Jaxon & Taylor



### **Best Lady Handler**

Susan Matthews with Teddy



**Best Junior Handler**  
Georgia Adamson with Comet



**Encouragement Award**  
Roslind Bush with Velvet



**Best Assessment Day scores**  
Fay Grunsell and Dusty



**Most Improved:**

Reg Forman with Dotty

**Titles:**

Carmen Kong	Cayley Happylea Upper Class	RN Novice Jumping Novice Strategic
	Happylea Upper Class	Pairs
	Happylea Upper Class	Gamblers Dog
	Happylea Upper Class	RA
Wayne Kelly & Susan Matthews (handled by Susan)	Guilcroft Rollover Beethoven	UD
Wayne Kelly & Susan Matthews (handled by Wayne)	Vladimer Klass Act CCD	CDX
	Vladimer Klass Act CCD	UD
Victor Grzeskiewicz	Uhlmsdorf Taylor Swift	UD
	Uhlmsdorf Black Label	CCD
	Uhlmsdorf Black Label	CD
	Uhlmsdorf Black Label	CDX
Rhonda Daley	Hillmagic Golden Snitch	CCD



Download issues of The Newshound - our Club magazine - in full colour

Changes to class times due to inclement weather?

- check the Web Site before you leave home

**[www.queanbeyandogs.org.au](http://www.queanbeyandogs.org.au)**

# Assessment Day – 9 December 2017

Thanks go to those wonderful members and friends who helped out on the day and particularly those who volunteered to Judge, set up rings and sit at the check in table as well as deal with various other responsibilities that needed to be done.

## Beginners Ring 1 Judge: Michael Ziebell

- 1<sup>st</sup> Amy Armriding with Honey
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Kirrilly Gregerson with Eleanor
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ryan William with Monkee
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Susan Matthews with Jessie



## Beginners Ring 2 Judge: Zoe Tuckfield

- 1<sup>st</sup> Andre De Aquino with Ruby
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Kylah Limmer with Digger
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Leanne McLaughlin with Harvey



Also passed: Nora Summerall with Monty, Adam Lord with Bonnie

**Beginners Ring 3 Judge: Jan Loose Assistant: Anita Fraser**

1<sup>st</sup> Bruce Paterson with Newton

2<sup>nd</sup> Leanne Fitzgerald with Jet

3<sup>rd</sup> Thom Tran with Buster



Also passed: Bettina Cheung with Milo, Phillipa Kimmick with Roxy, Terese Muller with Toby, Rebecca Jensen with Rosie, Thomas Gagel with Lola, Natasha Trompf with Leo

**Intermediate Ring 4 Judge: Kathy Griffiths**

1<sup>st</sup> Jessie Ebsworth with Pip

2<sup>nd</sup> Kim Leeman with Miles

3<sup>rd</sup> Sonia Stanton with Stella



Also passed: Amy Armriding with Max, Fiona Matthews with Ivy





**“Thank You” to our instructors and volunteers - we could not hold classes without you**

A huge *Thank You* to all of you who volunteered to take classes this term



# Notice Board

Check the Club Website for your Class syllabus  
Be prepared for next Sunday's lesson by reading about what will be taught

See your dog's photo taken on Assessment Day  
**[www.queanbeyandogs.org.au](http://www.queanbeyandogs.org.au)**

## FOR SALE

The Club sells a range of products to support your dog training, including a range of collars, leads and other products including clickers, dumbbells and treat bags, poo bag holders and the ANKC Obedience Trial Rules.

Come to the container and browse the products and support your training club.

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## DIARY DATES - February to June

### February

4 Sunday **QDDTC Obedience Term 1 2018 commences**  
22 Thursday QDDTC Committee meeting 6.30pm

### March

10 Saturday CDC Double Rally-O trial  
16 Friday CDC Obedience Trial  
25 Sunday **QDDTC Fun Day & Easter Raffle**  
29 Thursday QDDTC Committee meeting 6.30pm

### April

7 Saturday Belconnen Dog Obedience Club Double Obedience Trial  
9 Sunday **QDDTC Assessment Day**  
21 Saturday Tuggeranong Dog Training Club Double Obedience Trial  
26 Thursday QDDTC Committee meeting 6.30pm

### May

6 Sunday **QDDTC Obedience Term 2 2018 commences**  
12 Saturday ACT Titles Obedience Trial  
13 Sunday ACT Titles Obedience Trial  
26 Saturday Tuggeranong Dog Training Club Double Rally-O Trial  
31 Thursday QDDTC Committee meeting 6.30pm

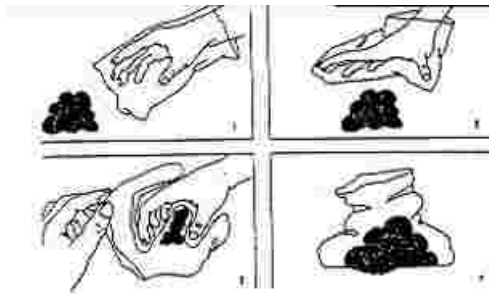
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We raised **\$392.00** from the Christmas Raffle!!!

This will be put to maintaining the club grounds

***Thanks to all of you for your generous donations  
and to the amazing raffle sellers!***

### ***SCOOP THE POOP***



**You are required to clean up after your dog if it defecates on Club grounds**

You can be prepared, wherever you go, by armin yourself with a small plastic bag or two. Simply put your hand inside the bag, scoop up the offending pile, reverse your hand out of the bag and tie the neck of the bag. Then dispose of thoughtfully.

## **MEMBERS ARE REMINDED**

**No dogs are permitted to be off leash** in the main training grounds, or in the small fenced off training area before or after classes on Sunday mornings **WITHOUT** the express permission and supervision of one of the Club instructors

Members doing specific exercises during classes are exempt



# **FUN DAY & EASTER RAFFLE**

**We will be holding a Fun Day and Easter  
Raffle on Sunday 25 March**

The events for the day will be as follows:

**9.00 – 9.30am** Beginners, Open class

**9.30 – 10.30am** 'Fun' activities and Raffle

**10.30 – 11.00am** Intermediate, Advanced &  
CCD, Novice class

## **LOOKING FOR DONATED ITEMS FOR THE EASTER RAFFLE**

This is a major fund raiser for the Club

Please pop an extra Easter related goodie in your trolley when you are shopping and give to any Committee member on Sunday mornings

**TICKETS FOR SALE: \$1 each OR 3 for \$2**  
**PLEASE – take some books and sell to friends and family**

Tickets will be available later in this term  
Hampers will be drawn in time for Easter

Want more information? **0422 729 162** or **[www.queanbeyandogs.org.au](http://www.queanbeyandogs.org.au)**

# Meet the Instructor: Fay Grunsell

*Fay is the Vice President of the club and also Deputy Head Instructor. On Sunday mornings, she can be found helping teams at the Obedience trialling levels hone their skills and also teaching Rally Obedience.*

## **How long have you been training your dogs?**

I have been training my dogs since around 1998; my first dog was a Staffordshire bull terrier called Baza, then I started training my cattle dogs, Opal, Crystal and now Dusty.

## **What do you like most about training your dogs?**

I like watching my dog achieve his goals. When he learns something new and he does it correctly, the look on his face is amazing.



## **What has been the best bit of advice you've received about dog training and why?**

Remember to always be consistent and praise at the right time. It's important for me to be consistent with Dusty so that his routine is the same all the time and he knows what is happening from day to day, and it's important to praise him at the right time so that he is rewarded when he is performing the correct behaviour.

## **Why did you decide to be an instructor?**

I used to teach people to ride horses and instructed at various pony clubs and privately. When I joined my first dog obedience club I had retired from being a horse riding instructor, I found that I missed instructing so I decided to become an obedience dog instructor. I have always loved instructing and watching rider/handlers achieve their goals.

## **What is your biggest challenge as an instructor?**

At our club in one of the beginner's class that I was instructing, one of the handlers had a medical condition. I asked the handler's niece who was standing near the class; once she explained about her Auntie I was able to communicate with her Auntie and she progressed remarkably well.

## **How do you spend your time with your dog when it's not Sunday morning?**

Dusty and I spend our time together watching TV, or doing some training in the park opposite our home. We also go for walks down in the main park in Captains Flat; our special walk is every Tuesday morning when we go walking with my friends in the main park, Dusty especially loves these walks.

# Puppy Reunion and Dog Party

## Best Friends, Fyshwick

Yet again we were invited to the Best Friends Fyshwick Reunion on the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017.



What a great day we had, the weather was a perfect spring day, with the sun providing some welcome warmth. There were lots of people with dogs coming and going. We received some interest in our club and our small stock pile of pamphlets were distributed accordingly.

It is always nice to see people out with their dogs ...and even better when they are interested in obedience. ☺ We were able to provide a couple of demonstrations throughout the day, with a number of our instructor putting their dogs through the paces in the obedience ring provided ... and we even threw in some tricks we have learned on the way.

Their main attraction was the detection dog demonstration...they were truly well trained dogs.

For our efforts, Best Friends Fyshwick donated some wonderful goodies for our Christmas raffles. Again, we need to thank all those members who volunteered on the day, as without them this would not have gone as successfully as it did.

## Jindalee Aged Care



It is not often we get a chance to contribute to the community, so when Kathy (a long time member of the club) asked if we could do a small demonstration with our dogs at the Jindalee Aged Care a number of us leaped at the chance.



All dogs needed to be on their best behaviour for this one.

So it was organised and on the 25 November 2017 we provided the residents at the aged care facility an opportunity to pat and mingle with our dogs and we were also able to give a small obedience demonstration.

I am not sure who enjoyed it more, the dogs, especially Cayley (one of Carmen dog's, who is a real crown pleaser when getting pats), or the residents themselves.

For me, it was wonderful to see their faces light up when they were able to get up close with dogs; being able to pat and even hold them. It was great to hear them reminisce about their own dogs and what they got up too. The weather held out for us, providing a little warmth and thankfully no rain.



Thank you to Carmen with Ben and Cayley, Karen and Charlie and Benji, Annie with Toby and of course Kathy with Carla.