

Queanbeyan and District Dog Training Club Inc

# THE NEWSHOUND

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Anne Butler, Kathy Griffiths, Rosalind Bush

## 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	9.00 to 10.00 am	
Recreation	9.00 to 10.00 am	
Novice	9.00 to 10.00 am	
Open	10.00 to 11.00 am	

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# President's Blog

To those who are new to the club ... thanks for choosing us to help you training your dog. And for those who are returning, all the best in your continued training. I look forward to meeting every-one throughout the term.

I would like to also welcome our new committee for 2019 - 2020, great to see some new faces helping out. We have some plans for the grounds that we would like to see started. This term we hope to section off some areas to do some weed control and to encourage the grass to grow. During the summer months we struggle with the burrs and prickles on the grounds, these easily attach and hide in dog hair. So please remember to brush your dog after training. If you can help or have any ideas regarding the grounds, please approach anyone in a red shirt and they will direct you to a sub-committee or committee member. On that, we will also be holding a working bee this term, so please look out for the notices at the club, on Facebook and on the website.

With the weather also warming up, we need to be a little more attentive to our dogs (and ourselves). While out on the grounds remember to bring a hat, apply the sun-screen and break regularly to have some water; both for yourself and your dog ... you will need it. If you do happen to forget, visit our shop. We have water for sale and sunscreen to apply.

At the end of this term, on assessment day, we hold a Christmas raffle and BBQ. We really appreciate any donations to the raffle, and about mid-term, we will start handing out tickets to sell. All profits help the club which in turn helps you.

Once again remember to have fun and enjoy the term. If you have any questions please speak to any one of the friendly members in RED shirts.

*Karen Jenkins*  
*President*

Queanbeyan and District Dog Training Club  
Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/QDDTC/>

Please follow the page as will have updates on weather, coming terms and events that may be happening at the Club.



## Assessment Day Christmas barbeque

Mark this special event in your diary

**Sunday 15 December**

Bring the family to watch your dog go through its paces for assessment.

**Share** brunch with us – sausage sandwiches, cakes and cold drinks will be on sale

**Raffle** - heaps of hampers to be won on the day

**Date:** Sunday 15 December

*For more information ask Committee members at Sunday morning training*



## SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Some of our members take their dogs to other official trials.  
Here are the stars - you see them training most Sundays!  
Ask them any questions about trialing and other competitive sports

### Belconnen Dog Obedience Club Double Obedience Trial Saturday 24 August 2019

Karen Hore	CH Hillmagic Platnum Nokosi AZ RA		
	Community Companion Dog	1 <sup>st</sup>	97 / 100
	CCD Title Gained	1 <sup>st</sup>	93 / 100



### ACT Companion Dog Club and ACT Gundogs – Obedience Trial Saturday 31 August 2019

Susan Matthews	Waiwilta Mustang Sally CCD CD		
	Papillon (Jessie)	1 <sup>st</sup>	174 / 200



# Assessment Day – 22 September 2019

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: Vanessa Tuckfield

- 1<sup>st</sup> Chris Whittington with Erica
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Penny Johansen with Sadie
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Shalyn Lester with Tyrion



Also passed: Courtney Ronsenfeld with Jasper, Peter Stevenson with Marty, Joshua Bracey with Lexi.

## Beginners Ring 2 Judge: John Bernardi

- 1<sup>st</sup> Laura Macedo with Ringo
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jenni Lenard with Lilah
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annie Caligari with Moose



Also passed: Kate Skidmore with Winnie, Laura Dawson with Macy.

**Beginners Ring 3 Judge: Karen Roberts**

1<sup>st</sup> Stephanie Kwong with Ailis

2<sup>nd</sup> Tom Skidmore with Todd

3<sup>rd</sup> Michael Hawkins with Chilli



Also passed: Wally Gisik with Picco, Natalie Ambrus-Bonazzi with Foxy.

**Intermediate Ring 4 Judge: Jodie Moore**

1<sup>st</sup> Jo-Ann Lester with Max

2<sup>nd</sup> Kate Keech with George

3<sup>rd</sup> Sean McPadden with Duchess



Also passed: Karen Lewis with Loki, Finola Doran with Queenie, Lucy Weatherby with Amber.

**Intermediate Ring 5 Judge: Kathy Griffiths**

1<sup>st</sup> Haley Chacos with Apollo

2<sup>nd</sup> Peta Wilcox with Mabel

3<sup>rd</sup> Serge Dal Molin with Max



Also passed: Jo Kenner with Kira.

**Intermediate Ring 6 Judge: Michael Ziebell**

1<sup>st</sup> Eleanor Lamey with Honey

2<sup>nd</sup> Kerrie Medveczky with Penny

3<sup>rd</sup> Julie Hogan with Nala



Also passed: Charmaine Johnstone with Nyx, Katherine Walsh with Lou



**Advanced Ring 7 Judge: Christiane Weissbach**

**Assistant: Karen Jenkins**

1<sup>st</sup> Alicia Robb with Poppy

2<sup>nd</sup> Ros Bush with Missy



**Novice Ring 8 Judge: Anne Butler**

1<sup>st</sup> Fay Grunsell with Dusty

194 / 200



**“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

## These items (and more) are on sale each Sunday Morning

- a range of equipment for your dog
- dog treats – for training rewards
- treat bags - plastic lined and with velcro tabs
- poo bag holders - fasten on to your dog's leash
- ANKC Obedience Trial Rules – pocket sized books

## 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

## DIARY DATES - October to December

### October

- |    |          |  |
|----|----------|--|
| 20 | Sunday   | <b>QDDTC Obedience Term 4 commences</b>              |
| 24 | Thursday | QDDTC Committee meeting 6.30pm                       |
| 26 | Saturday | Tuggeranong Dog Training Club Double Obedience trial |

### November

- |    |          |   |
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| 9  | Saturday | ACT Companion Dog Club Obedience trial (evening)  |
| 16 | Saturday | Belconnen Dog Obedience Club Double Rally O trial |
| 21 | Thursday | QDDTC Committee meeting 6.30pm                    |
| 23 | Saturday | Tuggeranong Dog Training Club Double Rally trial  |

### December

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| 15 | Sunday | <b>QDDTC Assessment Day + Christmas Break Up</b> |
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# Christmas Hamper Raffle

## Your club's major fundraiser

### Can you help?

Donations of nonperishable foods,  
small toys and gifts to fill the hampers

*Please* bring your donations to the Club on Sunday mornings and any committee member will gratefully accept them or leave them in the box, where you collect your cards for class.

### Here is a list of ideas that make great hamper additions

Jams & Syrups	Dog Treats & Toys
Honey & Spreads	Dog Shampoo, Leashes etc
Pickles & Chutney	Bubble bath/ bath bombs
Sweet & Savoury Sauces	Bath Oils
Oils – Olive/Flavoured	Shower Gels/Body Washes
Teas & Coffees	Calendars
Biscuits & Crackers	Tea towels & ham bags
Pretzels & Nuts	Canned goods like: Soups, desserts
Chocolates & Sweets	Little Xmas Cakes/Puddings

### OR – ANYTHING CHRISTMAS

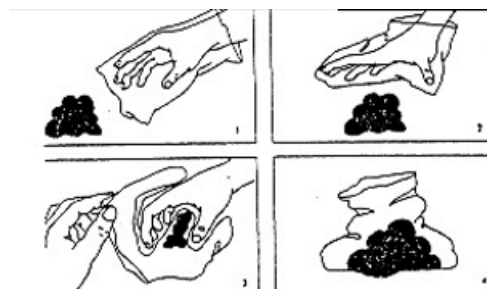
Tickets are available for selling to family and friends from your trainer or the club shop

**HAMPERS** will be drawn in time for Christmas on  
**Assessment Day – 15 December 2019**

Need more info: [www.queanbeyandogs.org.au](http://www.queanbeyandogs.org.au) or [www.facebook.com/QDDTC/](https://www.facebook.com/QDDTC/)

Or talk to a club volunteer (in the red shirts)

### 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 arming 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.

# Dog Aggression Workshop/Seminar

Sidney Aarons, Professional Dog Trainer, [www.sidneyaarons.com.au](http://www.sidneyaarons.com.au)

On the 17-18 August, the club supported eight instructors; Christiane Weissbach, Karen Jenkins, Jodie Moore, Rhonda Daley, Jan Loose, John Bernardi, Vanessa Tuckfield and Karen Roberts, to participate in a training workshop/seminar on “Dog Aggression”, to learn more about dogs that display aggression towards other animals/dogs or people. The workshop was taught by Sidney Aarons, who is an expert in canine behaviour using the most modern canine applied psychology, utilised over 21 years training thousands of dogs for private and government agencies.



*Photo by: Victoria Swalling*

The two day workshop/seminar covered the following aspects:

- Explanation of Sidney’s straight-line system
- How dog aggression is created
- Training equipment
- Correct use of impulse control
- Why, how and when to use positive reinforcement
- Identification of different types of aggression
- Why dogs are reactive to other dog’s on-leash but not off-leash

The workshop/seminar enabled the instructors to take their dogs and apply techniques learned in practice.



*Photo by: Victoria Swalling*

# Meet the Instructor: Vanessa Tuckfield

*Vanessa can be seen at the grounds on Sundays teaching Beginners and Intermediate and was previously the lovely and helpful person you would find in our Shop.*

## **How long have you been training your dog(s)?**

I have had dogs all my life, but we started bringing our dogs to QDDTC about 10 years ago, my daughter Zoe, got a new puppy and we wanted her to learn good handling skills, now many years later and 2 dogs trained through QDDTC, we still come every week, both Kelsi and Jazy love their time in Recreation class.

## **What do you like most about training your dog(s)?**

I love the relationship between handler and dog. Both Kelsi and Jazy have different personalities but we all work so well together. I just love working with the dogs and seeing them succeed.

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

In a family home, consistency is probably the best advice we got early on, every family member using the same commands and ensuring the dogs behave the same way for all of us.

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

I wanted people to build the relationship with their dogs that our family have with our dogs. I love to see people succeed with their dogs, you really can see a twinkle in their eye, when both are working well together.

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

Small dogs, co-ordinating the smaller steps, and bending lower to treat just creates a different dynamic that I am not used to.

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

Our dogs are older now, so it's not about the long walks anymore, they love to cuddle on the couch. We also spend time practicing our training, it's about lots of small moments that add up into a well behaved, confident dog.