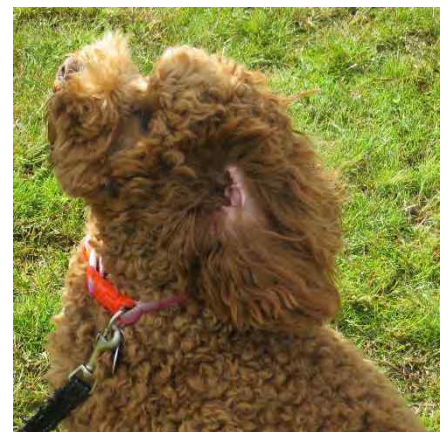


Queanbeyan and District Dog Training Club Inc

THE NEWSHOUND

May 2023

Celebrating 30 Years 1992-2022



YOUR CLUB COMMITTEE

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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 / Novice	9.00 to 10.00 am	
Recreation	9.00 to 10.00 am	
Open	10.00 to 11.00 am	
Rally O (week 2 of each Term)	9.00 to 10.00 am	

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PRESIDENT S BLOG

Hello and welcome - I hope everyone enjoyed their Easter break with family and pets alike.

It is now time to get (back) into training, whether that be coming back to a higher class or starting out with you dog. On that note, please remember beginner classes start at 9am, with Intermediate and Advanced starting at 10am.

Canberra and surrounds will no doubt enjoy some lovely cold weather over the next few months, so please be aware of your dog s requirements with the cold. Some older dogs may feel the cold more than others, especially in the joints. Providing extra bedding may help with this. Remember the extra layer of warmth for yourself when coming out to class. It gets cold on the grounds with frosty mornings to look forward too.

We have some things to look forward to this term; our combined Obedience and Rally trial on the 15Jul is just one. If you are interested in seeing what this type of Dog sport offers, please keep a look out on our website or Facebook page. This is also a perfect opportunity to help the club, so why not volunteer to be a helper on the day. There is also some information in this newsletter.

We are also hosting a Fun day on the 4th June. This is an excellent time to check out some games or try some of the other classes we offer like Agility or Rally.

If you can spare some time on Sundays, and a Thursday each month, why not join the committee. As a volunteer club, we are always looking for more people to help out, whether that be in the shop, helping on the ground or with the committee. Perhaps you see yourself standing in front of the class? We are also looking for new instructors, with a training session for new instructors happening this term. If you have completed Advanced, and are interested, please see one of the people in the red shirts.

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.

COMBINED OBEDIENCE & RALLY TRIAL

Saturday 15 July 2023

Club Grounds, Hoover Rd, Queanbeyan

OBEDIENCE (AM)

JUDGES

Catherine Crouch

Terry Griffin

Sue Howie

Kyle Charnock

CCD

Novice

CDX

UD, UDX

RALLY (PM)

JUDGES

Judy Van Der Vegt

John Green

Novice, Advanced

Excellent, Masters

NUMBER OF ENTRANTS FOR EACH CLASS WILL BE LIMITED

Judging commences: 9.30am (Obedience)
Not before 1pm (Rally)

Trial Manager: Fay Grunsell
Vetting Time: 8.45am to 9.15am (Obedience)
12.15pm to 12.45pm (Rally)
Vetting Officer: Karen Roberts
Dogs NSW Representative: Peta Jones

PRIZES

Sash for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places - qualifying scores only
Sash for other qualifiers
Highest Scoring Club Member - Sash

Entry fees: \$10.00 per class
Entries to: **Fay Grunsell**
270 Foxlow St, Captains Flat, NSW 2623
fay.grunsell3@bigpond.com
Entries close: 23 June 2022
Catalogues: fay.grunsell3@bigpond.com

Extreme weather status phone: **0419 703 067**

NOTE:

1. Refreshments available (*Barbeque, homemade soup, hot & cold drinks*)
2. Camping **NOT** available
3. Bitches in oestrus may not be on the grounds
4. Dog height **must** be on your entries
5. Enter **online through OZentries**; pay with credit or Visa card
6. The Club reserves the right to make any changes that will ensure the smooth running of the Trial and also to accept or refuse entries.



Willing to help?

Club members who are available on the day and would like to help out stewarding, writing certificates, or setting up and clearing up

We re always grateful for volunteers!

Please let a committee member know

YOUR FIRST OBEDIENCE & RALLY TRIAL

The decision to enter your first trial should be the culmination of sufficient training to ensure that competing is a happy and rewarding experience. These factors will help:

1. to be in touch with current ANKC Obedience Rules
2. you have trained your dog to the best of your ability
3. you have run through the exercises under mock trial conditions at your local dog obedience training club
4. join the websites used by clubs for electronic entry to their trials. The two most common are Easydog and Showmanager. Once joined, your and your dog's details are maintained and electronically propagate any trial/show entry you may choose to enter. These sites also allow for electronic payment for the trial/show.

What the judge is looking for:

1. enjoyment and willingness to work; fear and dislike of work shall be penalised
2. gentle and smooth handling
3. a handler shall give a command once only, except in the case of the command Heel which may be repeated to the dog each time the judge tells the handler to go forward
4. talking to the dog by the handler, snapping of fingers, slapping of sides and stamping of feet must be penalised
5. during the Heel routines, the handler must walk briskly with the dog at the left side. In the Heel on Lead exercise, the leash must be completely loose. Guiding the dog by means of the leash is penalised
6. the dog must not anticipate the handler's commands but must wait for commands

A very good opportunity to either enter or observe a trial is coming up with the Club's annual all breeds dog obedience trial being held on Saturday 10 July at our Hoover Road Club Grounds in Queanbeyan.

If you are in Community Companion Dog (CCD) level or higher, your dog may be trained well enough to participate. Ask your Instructor for an informal assessment. The CCD competition format and exercises are similar to the Club's CCD class.

What you need to do to enter the Club trial:

be a financial member of Dogs NSW (if you live in another State be a financial member of its Canine Association) - the State body which oversees the running of each Club's trials;

have your dog registered with the appropriate section of Dogs NSW (if you live in another State be a financial member of its Canine Association) - (cross breed and non-pedigree dogs are included on the Associate Register). Your dog will get a unique number to identify him/her and record any passes at obedience trials;

complete an online entry using the website indicated in the club advertisement.

If you want to have a look at dogs doing formal obedience trialling where they can gain ANKC recognised obedience titles, come along on the day, or volunteer to help out.

**If you leave the ring as if you have won the class,
your dog will never know or care**

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST AT THE TRIAL

We are looking for Club members to volunteer as Stewards at the club s Obedience and Rally Trial on Saturday 15 July 2023. Please refer to the [Steward Guidelines](#) for what is involved with being a steward. (guideline can be found on the Club website under [Training | Trialling Obedience & Rally](#)).

If you are available between 8.30am-12noon OR 12noon-5pm on Saturday and would like to offer your assistance in being a steward we would welcome you! Please let the Trial Manager, Fay Grunsell (fay.grunsell3@bigpond.com) know.

For your assistance you will have a free lunch from the BBQ on the day.

We are also calling on volunteers to assist on Friday 14 July from 2pm to assist with cleaning the grounds that consists of picking up roo poo and set up trial ring.

Please feel free to stop by even if you can't assist, to see what is involved in trialling at the higher level.

ASSESSMENT DAY 2 APRIL 2023

Thanks 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 registration table as well as dealing with various other responsibilities that needed to be done.

Beginners Ring 1 Judge: John Bernardi

- 1st Jan Loose with Remi
- 2nd Emily Monahan with Isobel
- 3rd Joanne Zhao with Anna



Also passed: Susan Will with Gypsy, Pabs Balbarosa with Cali, Elisabeth Stanger with Obi, Judith Miller with Jesselle

Beginners Ring 2 Judge: Jodie Moore

- 1st Tanya Apelt with Saylor Mo
- 2nd Matthew Werts with Duke
- 3rd Isaak Wellings with Hendricks



Also passed: Daniel Reid with Ruby, Richard Miller with Akira, Susan Newmann with Beany, Ann DeWright with Clover, John Jennings with Daisy.

Beginners Ring 3 Judge: Vanessa Tuckfield

- 1st Daniel Kropp with Bruno
- 2nd Penelope Rumble with Saffy
- 3rd Simon Treadaway with Squid Ink



Also passed: Adam Tune with Luna, Lisa Crocker with Poppy Blue, Susan Smith with Pearl, Dean Cook with Gigi, Lachlan Monahan with Edwina

Intermediate Ring 4 Judge: Karen Roberts

- 1st Julie Wilson with Cody
- 2nd Corine Zhang with Doby
- 3rd Jade Georges with Cappa



Also passed: Jess Groves with Harlo, Carolynne McPherson with Ted

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

A huge *Thank You* to all of you who volunteer to assist in making the club an amazing place! We appreciate the time you give to help with the grounds, BBQs and working bees



Intermediate Ring 5 Judge: Tim Duffy

- 1st Tanya Apelt with Pers
- 1st Madelaine Pavey with Frankie
- 2nd Lucia Darman with Hugo
- 3rd Maree Burke with Teddy



Also passed: Kate Jackmann with Luna, Laura Hill with Henry, Justin Darman with Lenny

Advanced Ring 6 Judge: Michael Ziebell

- 1st Julie Wilson with Bear
- 2nd Karen Marton with Tessa
- 3rd Barnaby Twyford with Jasper



Also passed: Irene Osti with Charli, Tanya Apelt with Aspen, Zoe Kershaw with Winston, Dom English with Nala

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

CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

All membership and training fees are due for renewal on the **1st July 2023**

An email will go out to all financial members **mid-June** advising memberships are due for the 2023/2024 financial year, instructions on how to renew and how to make payment.

Your renewal will cover you for the year.

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 - April to July

April

13 Saturday Belconnen Dog Obedience Club Obedience Trial
30 Sunday **QDDTC Term 2 commences**

May

7 Sunday **QDDTC Committee meeting**
13 Saturday DogsACT State Obedience & Rally Titles
15 Sunday DogsACT State Obedience & Rally Titles
20 Saturday Belconnen Dog Obedience Club Rally Trial
28 Sunday **QDDTC Committee meeting**

June

4 Sunday **QDDTC Fun Day** (9.30 - 10.30)
17 Saturday Companion Dog Club Rally Trial
25 Sunday **QDDTC Term 2 Assessment Day**
29 Thursday **QDDTC Committee meeting**

July

15 Saturday **QDDTC Obedience and Rally Trial**
15 Saturday A Pooch Affair, EPIC

16	Sunday	Companion Dog Club Obedience Trial
27	Thursday	QDDTC Committee meeting
30	Sunday	QDDTC Term 3 commences

FUN DAY



VOLUNTEER TO BE A OBEDIENCE INSTRUCTOR

Did you know that your club is always on the lookout for enthusiastic members who may like to become one of our club s obedience instructors?

To become an instructor at the club, you must have passed Advanced Class. You also need to undertake the Level 1 Instructors Course, held by our amazing head instructor, Ann, at the club.

You will then shadow a current instructor for a term or two until you feel confident that you can instruct a class on your own.

If you think you might be a good fit for the role and would like to volunteer, please send all enquiries to president@queanbeyandogs.org.au.

We are taking names now from Advanced class up, to put together a small class for our head instructor.

MEET A MEMBER ROBYN COBLE

I own a little Jack Russel Abby , she is 3 years old, a member of our family, and we love her to bits.

She loves playing with children, and her toys, however is a little scared of bigger dogs and is not afraid of showing how big she thinks she is when she meets them.

I have owned 3 Jacks, Abby is the second member of my family to attend training at Queanbeyan. I get so much enjoyment out of teaching her new tricks, although she is not fond of training in the cold and wet prefers to be under the doona.

How long have you been training your dog?

Abby and I have been members of the club for 2 1/2 years now, from Beginners through to Advanced. I must admit it did take us three goes to pass Advanced.

We now enjoy going to the Recreation classes each Sunday. We are continuing to grow and learn something new each week.

What do you like most about training your dog?

When I look down at Abby during training or socialising and she is looking at me, focused on what I want her to do next. Makes me so proud.

I love the bond that develops overtime between and your best mate when you are training.

It is so nice to hear people say to you what a well-behaved dog , when I m walking, asking her to wait outside the coffee shop, sitting beside me when chatting to someone. It makes training on those cold winter mornings so worthwhile.

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

All the advice has been great advice. I think the best advice I have received is that training is continuous, it never stops. Abby and I are learning all the time, especially me.

Why did you decide to train with Queanbeyan & District Dog Training Club?

Honestly the location, close to where I live, the reputation of the club, of being kind and reward focused and of course the cost.

What do you see is your biggest reward with training your dog?

Not being hesitate about taking her out and about because of her behaviour. Abby comes when I call her, most times. Sits on command, most times. She is fun to be around and not too embarrassing when we go out.

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

Hanging out, going SUPing, playing hide and seek, walking and cuddling under the doona.

Abby is also a companion dog for my mother who lives with us. They hang out all day, doing the washing together and watching Netflix.



CLUB PERPETUAL AWARDS

Queanbeyan and District Dog Training Club hands out Perpetual Awards to its members at the end of each training year. The club's awards encourage and acknowledge effort and excellence in club activities and ANKC sanctioned activities that reflect well upon the club and club members.

Evaluation for awards is on performances over at least three of the four terms in the evaluation period, with each evaluation period commencing with Term 4 of the year preceding the award year, and Terms 1, 2, and 3 of the award year. This allows time for the committee to finalise decisions on awards and prepare trophies for presentation at the end of Term 4.

Instructors nominate members for the Annual Awards on performance categories as follows, which is presented to the Committee for discussion and final nomination:

Best Gentleman Handler and Best Lady Handler

Presented to a gentleman handler and a lady handler who during the year have:

- shown outstanding handling skills in training;
- regularly attended training at the club during the year; and
- not received a title award from the club during the year.

Best Junior Handler

Presented to a junior handler (under 16) who has regularly attended classes and has made significant progress in training their dog during the year.

Most Improved

Presented to the handler and dog team that has shown significant improvement (which may be evidenced by assessment scores throughout the year) in training during the year through the dedication and commitment of the handler. *The interaction and relationship between the dog and handler is an important consideration.*

Encouragement Award

Presented to the handler and dog team that has overcome difficulties (whether personal or dog related), and shown dedication and commitment to training and has made commendable progress during the year.