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Queanbeyan and District Dog Training Club Criteria for Annual Awards

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. They include:

- a. Title trophies: awarded to members on the basis of their results at ANKC sanctioned trials
- b. Recognition of those members who, in the opinion of the club committee, best meet the criteria and intent of these awards in any given year.

Awards acknowledge the club's reliance on members to:

- Foster and support a sense of community
- Sustain the quality of the club's activities, and
- Maintain and enhance the club's standing in the dog training and dog sports fields.

Notes:

- Perpetual trophies are retained by the club and the recipient's name is engraved on a plaque attached to the trophy.
- Recipients of all perpetual trophies also receive a small engraved personal trophy to keep.
- Evaluation for awards will be 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.)
- Some awards require nominees to have regularly attended training at the club.

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.

Club Award

This award is not necessarily awarded every year. It is presented to recognise a member who has made a significant contribution to the life of the club.