

WERRIBEE OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.

TROPHY POLICY

1. To be entitled to any Trophy, a person has to be a **Financial Member** of the Club at the **end of the Trialling Year**, as specified from year to year in the Club Calendar.
2. Trophies and awards from disciplines where all members of the WODC Inc. are eligible to participate in, will be recognised by the club under this trophy policy. Said disciplines must be sanctioned ANKC events. The club will recognise other sanctioned ANKC disciplines where all WODC Inc members are not eligible to participate, by way of a Certificate of Achievement.
3. All trophies, sashes, certificates of achievement must be applied for on the clubs trophy application form.
4. People can donate for specific trophies but cannot purchase any trophies except where the trophy has been seen and agreed to by the Club Committee prior to purchase.
 - a) People can donate special trophies only when agreed to by the Club Committee prior to 30th June annually. The cut-off date for points towards Trial Trophies shall be the date specified from year to year in the Club Calendar.
 - b) To be eligible to be awarded a Trophy or Certificate as stipulated in the Trophy Policy, a member must attend a minimum of 17 training sessions of which 10 must be a Saturday in any training year. (The training year will commence the 1st of November and conclude the 31st of October the following year.) Should the member not be a member for the full year then the same applies but on a pro-rata basis for the period of the membership.
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3 months attendance = 4 attendances of which 3 attendances must be on a Saturday, 6 months attendance = 8 attendances of which 6 attendances must be on a Saturday, 9 months attendance = 13 attendances of which 10 attendances must be on a Saturday.

The trophy policy criteria will be adjusted by the committee if two (2) or more Saturday training sessions are cancelled due to weather, ground or other special conditions.

To be awarded a title trophy at least two passes towards the title applied for must be gained whilst a member of the club. Should the required attendance not be obtained; titles will be acknowledged by the Club with the awarding of a title sash.
 - c) Where a member is unable to meet the criteria set out in Point 5b due to extenuating circumstances e.g. illness, death of the dog etc., the member may apply to the committee for consideration for the award to be granted
5. Points towards Highest Placed Dog in Club Competition Trophy total per team, (one dog, one handler).
6. Points towards Highest Scoring Junior in Club Competition Trophy total per team, (one dog, one handler).
7. To qualify for 1st place points for the Highest Placed Dog in Club Competition Trophy at least 2 dogs must compete in that Class and, where there are only 2 dogs competing, there shall only be points awarded to the 1st place-getter. To qualify for 1st and 2nd place points, at least 3 dogs must compete in that Class and there shall be no 3rd place points awarded. To qualify for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place points, at least 4 dogs must compete in the Class. Any points so awarded cannot later be retracted on a count back of individual scores, with the exception of Clause 14(b) as stated. No equal places shall be awarded on any Funday.
8. A dog can only be entered in one Class on any given Funday, except in novelty events or where special permission is given by the Chief Instructor. If special permission is gained no dog is to be entered more than twice in the same Funday. Under no circumstances will the handler and dog run a place, receive a trophy or place ribbon for a Funday class entered below that which the dog has been passed to.
9. When special permission is granted and members of the same family enter the same dog on the same Funday, only the highest score in the highest class level shall count towards any awards at the end of the Club Year (Clause 6 shall apply). Only places gained in the highest class level on a Funday shall be recognised on the day and shall be eligible to win a trophy and place ribbon (Clause 6 shall still apply). A handler with the same dog in a lower class level can be promoted provided a qualifying score is attained, but will not be eligible to win a trophy or place ribbon or run a place.

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10. The order of merit and importance for Club Trophies in respect of the design of said trophies upon purchasing, shall be:
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| Equal | 1 st | Highest Scoring Dog in Trials | |
| | | Highest Placed Dog in Club Competition | Highest Scoring Junior in Club Competition |
| | 2 nd | Most Improved Dog in Club | |
| | 3 rd | Encouragement Trophies - being | Senior Encouragement T.C.C. Award Best Junior Handler Junior Encouragement |
11. The order of merit and importance for Junior Awards, in respect of the design of said awards upon purchasing shall be:-
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| | 1 st | Highest Scoring Junior in Club Competition |
| | 2 nd | Best Junior Handler |
| | 3 rd | Junior Encouragement |
12. There shall be Title Trophies and Title Ribbons awarded to any dog upon gaining any of the following titles:
 CCD, CD, CDX, UD, UDX, O.CH, O.GR.CH
 TD, TDX, T.CH
 TSD, TSDX, TS.CH, TS. GRAND CH
 AD, ADX, ADO, ADM, AG.CH
 JD, JDX, JDO, JDM
 SD, SDX, SDM
 GD, GDX, GDM
 SPD, SPDX, SPDM
 RN, RA, RE, RAE, RM, RO.CH
 FS.S, FS.N, FS.I, FS.A, FS.CH
 HTM.S, HTM.N, HTM.I, HTM.A, HTM.CH
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All Club Trophies and Title Ribbons will only be awarded in the Club's current trialling year.

Clause 4 (b) shall apply to any trophies being awarded.

Trophies will be awarded to all members who gain a particular title for the first time. On successfully attaining the same title with another dog/s, the member will have the option of either selecting the prescribed plaque or a trophy. The selected trophies shape and size are all subject to availability.

All plaques/trophies selected are decided by the Club Committee.

13. All plaques/trophies shall include both the Handler's or Owners Name and Dog's Pet Name.

14. All trophies shall be decided as follows:

a) **Highest Scoring Dog in Trials**

The average of the three highest qualifying scores obtained **under two ANKC judges** at any **sanctioned trial** attended during the Club's Trialling Year. In the event of equal average scores being obtained then multiple trophies shall be awarded as equal trophies. **This trophy is by application only on the Highest Scoring Dog in Trial club form, with pass cards to be sighted.**

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b) **Highest Placed Dog in Club Competition**

Applicable to Classes Puppy to Class 5 inclusive based on the aggregate system of points gained on Fundays, i.e. 3 points for 1st place, 2 points for 2nd place and 1 point for 3rd place. (Clause 8 shall apply). Where an equal score occurs the count back shall be conducted on aggregate points only. As this is a club competition where all dogs eligible do not necessarily compete in the same classes. Therefore in the event of a tie, the dog with the most number of 1st place points shall be deemed the winner. Where the amount of 1st place points are equal, then the dog with the most number of 2nd place points shall be deemed the winner. Where the amount of 1st and 2nd place points are equal, then the dog with the most number of 3rd place points shall be deemed the winner. In the event of points still being equal then the score from each place gained at the Fundays will be taken and divided by the number of Fundays held by the Club in the year to determine the winner. In the event of the average points then still being equal, multiple trophies shall be awarded.

c) **Highest Scoring Junior in Club Competition**

Applicable to Junior Members Only, (this being the membership category as at 1st July each year) in classes Puppy to Class 8 inclusive.

To be calculated on percentage method divided by the number of Fundays held per Club Year, regardless of the number entered.

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| i.e. | Class 1 total points 200 | gained 150 | = | 75% |
| | Class 2 total points 200 | gained 120 | = | 60% |
| | Class 3 total points 200 | gained 140 | = | 70% |
| | Class 4 total points 200 | gained 110 | = | 55% |
| | TOTAL PERCENTAGE | | = | 260% |
| | 260% DIVIDED BY 4 (Fundays) | | = | average of 65% for the year. |

d) **Most Improved Dog In Club**

Based on overall performance of both handler and dog during the Club Year, i.e. progression of training, problems encountered and solved etc.

e) **Encouragement Awards - Senior & Junior**

Encouragement & T.C.C. Award

Based on year's performance.

f) **Best Junior Handler.**

Based on year's performance.

15. All decisions reached in respect of the awarding of trophies, such awards having been made by the strict adherence to the aforementioned Clauses, shall be deemed to be final after presentation has been made.