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A couple of dogs having a
blast at the last fun day

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President's Report

By Ray Ashman, President

Hi Everyone,

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas and New Year break with family and friends.

Unfortunately, we were unable to publish a February newsletter due to personal circumstances affecting Dani, who produces our newsletter. We appreciate your understanding and are pleased to say we are now back on track.

Booking System Update

The booking system experienced a few hiccups during the first couple of weeks in February; these issues have now been resolved. The booking links are included later in this newsletter and will be published each month. As the links remain the same each week, you may wish to save them to your bookmarks for easy access.

You can now access the links to book into training via the clubs website under the 'Members Area' tab

To assist our Chief Instructor in allocating the appropriate number of instructors to each time slot, please ensure you book no later than 5:00pm on Fridays. Toward the end of last year, a number of members did not book in, which resulted in some classes exceeding capacity and impacted the quality of training. Your cooperation helps us maintain safe and effective class sizes.

Please also take care to read the class times carefully and ensure you are booking into the correct session for your class level.

Weather Policy

For the wellbeing of our dogs, handlers, and instructors (many of whom are on the grounds for up to three and a half hours each Saturday), the following policy applies:

- If the Bureau of Meteorology forecast for Werribee at 7:00pm on Friday predicts a temperature of 33°C or above, all Saturday training will be cancelled.
- If the temperature reaches 28°C on a training day, sessions will be shortened to 30 minutes.

The full weather policy is included later in this newsletter.

Current Ground Conditions

The grounds are currently in very good condition for this time of year. Late last year we undertook targeted weed control for broadleaf weeds and capeweed, which has contributed to the improved surface.

President Park Development

The first stage of the President Park development has now been completed, and the 3 kilometres of fencing have been removed. We now have access to the new road, allowing easier access to the overflow carpark along the tree line each week.

Reserved Parking

Please note that the overflow parking area along the trees next to the clubrooms is reserved for committee members and instructors. Kindly leave the first 10 car spaces available for these members, as they are typically on site for three hours or more each Saturday.

Trophy Applications

Toward the end of last year, there was some confusion regarding eligibility for end-of-year awards. Members do not need to have received their title certificate from Dogs Victoria before applying. The application form was updated to remove the requirement to list all individual qualifying scores (which in some cases was up to 10).

You may still submit your application using your pass cards toward the relevant title. We will be reviewing and updating the trophy application form again to make it more user-friendly.

Hot Weather Reminder

During hot weather, please ensure your dogs have access to plenty of shade and fresh water. As dogs cannot regulate their body temperature the same way we can, it is important to provide extra care. A simple tip is to offer a second bowl of water in case one is emptied or knocked over.

Walk your dog's early in the morning or later in the evening when temperatures have cooled. Walking during the heat of the day can burn their paw pads, just as hot concrete would burn bare feet.

Air Conditioning Upgrade for Clubrooms

Last year, I submitted a proposal to council seeking approval for the installation of split-system air conditioning in the main hall and office of our clubrooms. I'm pleased to share that, two weeks before Christmas, we were advised the application had been successful.

The project, valued at approximately \$80,000, includes a power supply upgrade by Powercor, improvements to the clubrooms' switchboard, and installation of the new split systems. Works are scheduled to take place in the second half of this year.

This follows on from last year's successful application to have concrete laid in front of the storeroom. Importantly, both projects have been secured at no cost to the club.

Finally, remember that even five minutes of training each day can make a significant difference and help both you and your dog progress steadily.

Kind regards,

Ray Ashman
President



Booking in for training

Please book in for training so that the club can make sure we have enough trainers to help you on the day

Saturday training

You are requested to book in at the following web address prior to 5pm on Friday.

Please make sure you book into the correct class level and time slot - class times are different for each class.

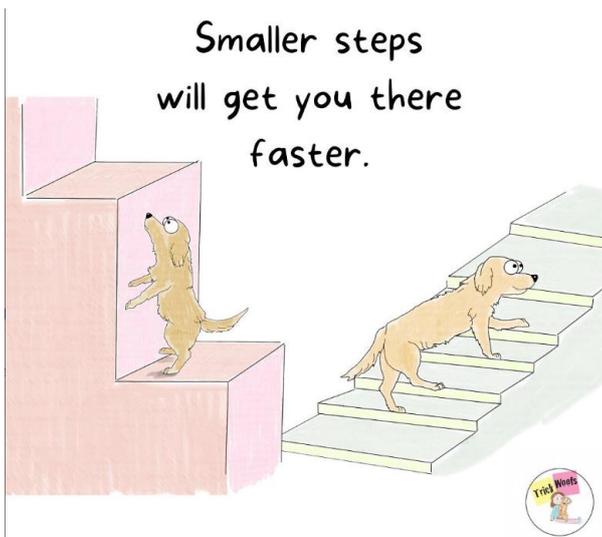
[Saturday training](#)

Wednesday night training

Held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. There will be no Wednesday night training in June, July or August.

You are requested to book in at the following web address before 5 pm on the day prior to training.

[Wednesday Obedience Night Training](#)



Agility training

You are requested to book in at the following web address before 5 pm on the day prior to training.

[Agility Training – Saturday and Wednesday night](#)

Ring Training

You are requested to book in at the following web address before 5 pm on the day prior to training.

[Ring Training - Saturday and Tuesday night](#)

Training game: Whiplash Turn

A pattern game from Control Unleashed by Leslie McDevitt

PLACE TREAT

Place a treat on the ground in front of your dog's paws.



MOVE TO TAIL

While your dog is eating, move to their tail.



CALL DOG

As they finish eating, say their name and watch the neck closely. Mark as soon as the dog starts to turn their head.



PLACE TREAT

Once your dog turns all the way around, place the treat on the ground in front of your feet.



MOVE TO TAIL

While your dog is eating, move behind their tail.



CONTINUE

Continue the pattern until your dog is immediately whipping around. Your dog may start to turn around before you say their name. The treat on the ground is becoming a context cue to reorient to handler.



ADD LAYERS

Once your dog is immediately turning to you after eating, begin adding low intensity environmental stimulus so that different things become context cues to turn back to you.



For more information on Control Unleashed by Leslie McDevitt, check out her books and recordings available at www.cleanrun.com.

Dog Behaviour: Dogs and Children

The following posters and article from Family Paws, illustrations by Lili Chin:
<https://www.familypaws.com/you-are-entering-the-grumble-zone/>



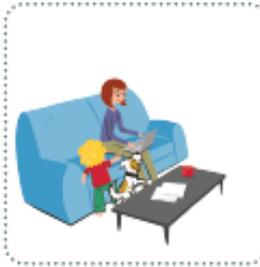
GRUMBLE & GROWL ZONES

GRUMBLE ZONES are crowded spaces with escape routes. Spaces where dogs and children may be forced into closer proximity than is comfortable. The dog may be conflicted and not willingly leave. Remember, "crowded spaces equal grumpy faces!"



DON'T...

allow kids and dogs to navigate tight spaces on their own. Examples: doorways, hallways, stairways, etc.



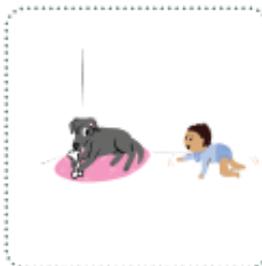
DO...

create a more open layout. Design a plan to make unavoidably tight spaces safer and more comfortable for both.



DON'T...

Allow children to corner a dog or close in their space.



DO...

Use success stations and proactive supervision for a safer play space for your child and a safe undisturbed spot for your dog.



From Family Paws:

Our program refers to crowded close quarters as “**Grumble zones.**” **Grumble zones** have an escape route but a child or another dog may be blocking or in the way of using it. This can lead to a conflict and a potential danger or “grumble.”

Grumble zones are important for families to consider when having multiple dogs or children in the home.

Crowded spaces = Grumpy faces

Entryways can be crowded and conflicting especially if there is something of value or a resource near it. Entryways can be crowded and conflicting especially if there is something of value or a resource near it.

Many people put their dog beds in a corner which creates a **Grumble zone**. This limits escape routes for dogs. It is a good idea to help your dog associate positive encounters when in their comfy spot. Walk by and drop a treat without stopping to engage. Soon your dog will look up as you or someone approaches to see what opportunity they might get vs. preparing for someone to invade their space.

The space between a coffee table and couch is a common **grumble zone**. This creates a potential conflict if a toddler approaches Mom or Dad while the dog is sitting or laying at their feet. Close space and conflicts often can happen in this type of space.

It is important to consider your layout when you have multiple dogs and kids living together. Crowded spaces cause grumpy faces and a little preparation ahead of time can decrease stress and increase safety for all!

Sometimes I feel like an interior decorator in a private consultation as we end up rearranging furniture to decrease the **grumble zone** potential. Remember, this is not a forever change! You will get your nicely arranged living room back. It is important however that during the stages of new mobility your child is free to move about in a way that is safe and comfortable for them and your dog.



Dog Health and Wellbeing

The following Heatstroke emergency guide is from RSPCA Pet Insurance:

<https://www.rspcapetinsurance.org.au/pet-care/health-and-wellbeing/heatstroke-hyperthermia>

What are the main predisposing factors for Heatstroke?

Be aware of the symptoms and look out for the signs in your pet. These include:

- Panting which increases as heatstroke progresses
- Drooling, salivating
- Agitation, restlessness
- Very red or pale gums
- Bright red tongue
- Increased heart rate
- Breathing distress
- Vomiting Diarrhea (possibly with blood)
- Signs of mental confusion, delirium
- Dizziness, staggering
- Lethargy, weakness
- Muscle tremors
- Seizures
- Collapsing and lying down
- Little to no urine production
- Coma

If you suspect your pet has heatstroke or they are showing signs of heatstroke:

Know how to do **Emergency First Aid** at home if you suspect your pet has heatstroke. Initial emergency treatment at home should aim to normalise body temperature.

- Remove your pet from the hot environment immediately.
- Apply or spray tepid/cool water onto the animal's fur and skin. Then apply a fan/fanning to maximise heat loss.
- Wetting down the area around your pet can also help.
- Don't use ice-cold water or ice as this may worsen the problem.
- Then take your pet to the nearest Veterinarian immediately.
- Heatstroke is an emergency – always see a vet. Even if your pet looks like they may be recovering or you just suspect they might have heatstroke they should still always be checked by a vet.





Trial results



TRICKS

Poodle Club of Victoria

28/December/2025

Michelle and Finnegan gained First Place in Tricks Novice in the AM on 78.5 points.

Michelle and Finnegan gained Third Place in Tricks Novice in the PM on 77.5 points.

Border Collie Club of Victoria

17/January/2026

Michelle and Finnegan gained a pass in Tricks Novice in Trial 1 on 77 points, gaining their Trick Novice title.

Michelle and Finnegan gained a pass in Tricks Novice in Trial 2 on 77 points.

Congratulations Michelle and Finnegan!!

If you would like your trial results printed in the Werribee Wagger, please [fill out this form and email your results to: \[info@werribeeobediencedogs.org\]\(mailto:info@werribeeobediencedogs.org\)](#). Only qualifying passes will be printed.

TROPHIES

If you have gained a title this trialling year (November 2024 through to 31 November 2025), and you meet criteria under the trophy policy, you can apply for a Trophy to be presented to you at the Presentation night! The Trophy Application Form [can be located here](#). It is also attached to the end of this document and can be asked for in the clubrooms.

DOG PHOTOS ON THE CLUBROOM WALL:

If your dog gains a title we would love to display their picture on the wall.

*The pre-requisite for a dog picture to go on the wall is that the dog must have gained an obedience, rally, tracking, agility, or endurance title first. You will need to provide an 8"x 10" picture **(portrait only)** and all your dog's relevant details for a photo to go up on the wall. It is also your responsibility to inform the Secretary in writing if you require that your dog's photo details need to be updated at any stage.*

If you have any queries, talk to the Secretary. Details can be found on the Trophy application form. Forms can be downloaded from the clubs website under the Members Area tab OR collect a form from the training table, fill it out clearly and leave it at the office counter.



Are you waiting for class to start and your dog is getting silly?

Try finding your **MOMENT** of YES!



doglatindogtraining.com illustration by Lili Chin

Reward for looking at other dogs!

Reward for sniffing the ground!

Reward for looking at you!

<https://decompressforsuccess.com/find-your-moment-of-yes>



WERRIBEE AGILITY DOGS (WADs)

at WERRIBEE OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB (WODC)



Dog

Agility is a fun activity where dogs and handlers work as a team. The dog negotiates various obstacles in a specified order directed by the handler.

Agility improves the teamwork and relationship between you and your best friend (your dog). Come and give it a go!

Agility Classes Include 🐾

- 🐾 Foundation Agility (level 1) “new bees”: for members in Class 1 obedience or above are welcome to join (dog’s age must be a minimum 1 year)
- 🐾 Pre-trial (level 2) / Novice Agility (level 3): for agility members who have passed the Foundation Agility Assessment.

Training will be on Saturdays 🐾

- 🐾 Foundation Agility (level 1) at 12:00pm - 12:45pm.
- 🐾 Pre-trial (level 2) / Novice Agility (level 3) at 10:00am - 12:00pm.

To attend book in at the following web address link before training:

[Agility Training Attendance Sheet](#)

In the same link as above on a separate worksheet is the “new members details” - all details must be filled in before training.

All agility members are also encouraged to join our Facebook Group:

[WODC Agility Facebook Group](#)

For further information contact Agility Trainer Carl: 0458651037



FRESH START TO TRICKS



2026



With Dani and Ali

To Be Held Monthly (pending weather)

Time: 12:15pm – 12:45pm

Starting 28th March 2026



And then:
2nd May
30th May
20th June
25th July
15th August
19th September
31st October
21st November



Additional classes to be held 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings

Time: 7pm-7:30pm (pending weather)

Please join the Facebook Group

“Tricks at Werribee Dog Obedience Club”

To keep informed re changes and further information.

See Dani S or Ali F for further information

Suitable for Class 2 upwards.

Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/689059457473314>

YOU ARE WELCOME INSIDE THE CLUBROOMS

OUR GREAT CANTEEN

Not only do we look after the humans, but you will also find a range of dog treats, leads, collars, head collars and everything you need for training with your dog. Members are also welcome to help themselves to the free tea and coffee facilities located straight across from the front door. You will also find a donation tin there if you wish to make a donation.

And after a hard day's training why not come inside to relax and have a chat in a friendly atmosphere.

So please do come on inside, you will be amazed what you will find in there!!!

Drinks

Water
Tea and Coffee
Soft Drinks
Hot Chocolates

Food

Dim Sims
Pies
Sausage Rolls
Pasties
Chips
Twisties
Chocolate Bars

Eftpos available, no limit



TOYS

The club has a wide arrange of dog toys for sale.
They are well below the price that pet shops sell them for.
Please come into the club rooms and browse what we have.

A small example of the different toys we have are:

- KONG Wubba Ballistic Friends Small
- Zippy Paws Zippy Burrow Interactive Dog Toy

We hope to have a different set of toys every couple of months, but this will depend on the amount of sales we have.

If there is a particular toy you would like to purchase, take a photo of it and price and let us know and we will see if we are able to get it at a better price!



WEATHER POLICY

THE CLUB WILL INVOKE IT'S HOT/WET WEATHER POLICY WHEN WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE UNSUITABLE TO CONDUCT DOG TRAINING.

IN THE EVENT OF HOT WEATHER:

WITH REGARDS TO SATURDAY TRAINING - ALL TRAINING AT W.O.D.C. WILL BE CANCELLED IF THE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE REACHES THIRTY-THREE (33) DEGREES.

IF THE WEATHER FORECAST AS AT 1900 (7.00PM) ON FRIDAY EVENING AS COMMUNICATED BY THE BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY (www.bom.gov.au) IS EQUAL TO OR FORECAST TO EXCEED THIRTY-THREE (33) DEGREES CELSIUS ON THE FOLLOWING DAY (SATURDAY) – TRAINING FOR THE ENTIRE DAY IS CANCELLED.

IF THE TEMPERATURE ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON IS BETWEEN TWENTY-EIGHT (28) AND THIRTY-TWO (32) DEGREES CELSIUS – CLASS TRAINING WILL BE SHORTENED TO A TOTAL OF THIRTY (30) MINUTES.

IN THE EVENT OF WET WEATHER:

ALL TRAINING IN CLASSES AND RINGS WILL CEASE IMMEDIATELY IF THERE IS THUNDERSTORMS / LIGHTING OR HEAVY RAIN.

COMMITTEE & INSTRUCTORS WILL DECIDE IF AND WHEN IT IS SAFE TO RETURN TO THE TRAINING

WANTED: COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Werribee Obedience Dog Club would not exist without the wonderful members that volunteer their time to become a Committee member. We are looking for volunteers to put their hands up and be on the Committee for 2025.

Being on the Committee is a very rewarding experience as you are involved with both the routine running of the club and also the future of the club.

We would ask you to help out with counter duties for approximately 30 minutes on a Saturday and to assist at various other time of the year such as helping out on a Funday, at our Obedience Trial or other events.

Full training will be provided to all Volunteers so don't be afraid to give it a go and help the club!

For further information or any questions please speak to our Secretary, Jo Taylor.



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New Members

<i>First Name</i>	<i>Surname</i>		<i>Dog's Name</i>	<i>Dog's Breed</i>
Patrick	Akash	and	Leo	GSD
Ana	Baker	and	Charlie	Aussie Moutain Doodle
Daniel	Baker	and	Charlie	Aussie Moutain Doodle
Merissa	Baldwin	and	Hubert	French Bulldog
Leah	Boileau-Evans	and	Archie	Airedale Terrier
Amy	Boileau-Evans	and	Selene	Doberman
Cathie (Cat)	Cain	and	Franklin	Labrador Cross
Pam	Chittendon	and	Basil	Shetland Sheepdog
Pam	Chittendon	and	Sam	Shetland Sheepdog
Julie	Chitty	and	Milla	Poodle - Miniature
William	Coombes	and	Willow	Cavalier King Charles x
Jane	Dennis	and	Missy	Labrador
Kerry	Eden	and	Max	Maltese x Shitsu
Carolyn	Ferreira	and	Ivy	German Shepherd
Tatiana	Fishman	and	Timmy	Jack Russell X
Jana	Fogarty	and	Misha	ASTCD
Jana	Fogarty	and	Scout	ASTCD
Rey	Gallardo	and	Killian	Border Collie
Marjorie	Geron	and	Oreo	Chihuahua x
Joshua	Hu	and	Luna	Poodle - Standard
Christopher	Hu	and	Luna	Poodle - Standard
Jenna	Irvin	and	Daphne	Border Collie
Hetal	Jeram	and	Frodo	Pembroke Welsh Corgi
Harry	Kimpton-Cheon	and	Pepper	American Staffordshire Terrier
Andrew	kimpton-Cheong	and	Pepper	American Staffordshire Terrier
Sofia	Koktzidis	and	Melania	American Akita
Michael	Koktzidis	and	Melania	American Akita
Jeff	Loveridge	and	Zara	German Shepherd Cross



New Members

<i>First Name</i>	<i>Surname</i>		<i>Dog's Name</i>	<i>Dog's Breed</i>
Asmita	Sapkota	and	Leo	GSD
Jacinta	Sullivan	and	Buddy	Kelpie Cross
Hari	Thallapelly	and	Shadow	Labrador
Shravani	Thallapelly	and	Shadow	labrador
Sammy	Thallapelly	and	Shadow	Labrador
Kenny	Thallapelly	and	Shadow	Labrador
Dylan	Turnbull	and	Milo	Border Collie
Sharon	Volschenk	and	Odin	Rottweiler
Li	Yang	and	Luna	Poodle - Standard

PROMOTIONS

Date	Handler	Class	Dog
7 February 2026	Kylie Gibb	From 2 to 3	Libby
14 February 2026	Marie Bagley	From 1 to 2	Felix
14 February 2026	Preethi Vijayakumar	From 1 to 2	Goofy
21 February 2026	Brian Williams	From 2 to 3	Kimber
28 February 2026	Donna Green	From 1 to 2	Bodie
28 February 2026	Kate Malone	From 1 to 2	Anora
28 February 2026	Marie Bagley	From 2 to 3	Felix
28 February 2026	Mark Lillywhite	From 2 to 3	Chester
28 February 2026	Anna Markouski	From 2 to 3	Sugar

Congratulations on your promotion!



PRACTICE AT HOME

The below sheets are from Dr Karen Overall's Calmness Protocol. This game is best practiced once a day, such as for dinner. The exercise lists are guidance only (you can teach it with a down or stand if you prefer).

You can practice this at home or at WODC or when you are on the go! Print them out and take them with you or come ask the clubhouse to print them out for you.

Tips:

1. Reward your pet after each step.
2. Stop when either one of you is tired or worried.
3. If your dog makes a mistake, start over from Step 1 – or stop for the day if you have already done a lot of the steps and start that level over the next day.

Exercise Level 1

- Sit for 2 seconds
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 1 step back and then return
- Sit while you take 2 steps back and then return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 1 step to the right and then return
- Sit while you take 1 step to the left and then return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 2 steps back and return
- Sit while you take 2 steps to the right and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you take 2 steps to the left and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you clap your hands softly once
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you take 3 steps back and return
- Sit while you count out loud to 3

- Sit while you count out loud to 5
- Sit while you count out loud to 10
- Sit while you clap your hands softly once
- Sit while you count out loud to 5
- Sit while you count out loud to 10
- Sit while you count out loud to 5
- Sit while you count out loud to 10
- Sit while you count out loud to 20
- Sit while you take 3 steps to the right and return
- Sit while you clap your hands softly twice
- Sit for 3 seconds
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit while you take 1 step back and return
- Sit for 3 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 3 seconds

Exercise Level 2

- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 1 step back and return
- Sit while you take 3 steps back and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 3 steps to the right and return
- Sit while you take 3 steps to the left and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 3 steps to the right and quietly clap your hands



- Sit while you take 3 steps to the left and clap your hands Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you walk one-quarter of the way around the dog to the right
- Sit while you take 4 steps back
- Sit while you walk one-quarter the way around the dog to the left
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you take 5 steps back from the dog, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you walk halfway around the dog to the right and return
- Sit while you walk halfway around the dog to the left and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you jog quietly in place for 3 seconds
- Sit while you jog quietly in place for 5 seconds
- Sit while you jog quietly in place for 10 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you jog one-quarter of the way around dog to right and return
- Sit while you jog one-quarter of the way around dog to left and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds

Exercise Level 3

- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you take 2 steps backwards and return
- Sit while you jog 5 steps backwards from dog and return
- Sit while you walk halfway around the dog to the right and return
- Sit while you walk halfway around the dog to the left and return
- Sit while you take 10 steps backwards and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you take 10 steps to the left and return

- Sit while you take 10 steps to the right and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you walk halfway around the dog to the right, clap your hands, and return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you walk halfway around the dog to the left, clap your hands, and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you jog 10 steps to the right and return
- Sit while you jog 10 steps to the left and return
- Sit while you jog in place for 10 seconds
- Sit for 5 second
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you jog in place for 20 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you jog backwards 5 steps and return
- Sit while you jog to the right 5 steps and return
- Sit while you jog to the left 5 steps and return
- Sit for 5 seconds while you clap your hands
- Sit for 10 seconds while you clap your hands
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 5 seconds

Exercise Level 4

- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you jog backwards 5 steps and return
- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you jog halfway around the dog to the right and return
- Sit while you jog halfway around the dog to left and return



- Sit while you move three-quarters of the way around the dog to the right and return
- Sit while you move three-quarters of the way around the dog to the left and return
- Sit while you jog backwards 5 steps, clapping your hands and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you clap your hands for 20 seconds
- Sit while you quickly move backwards 10 steps and return
- Sit while you quickly move 15 steps backwards and return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you jog halfway around the dog to the right and return
- Sit while you jog halfway around the dog to the left and return
- Sit while you quickly walk 15 steps to the left and return
- Sit while you quickly walk 15 steps to the right and return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you move three-quarters of the way around the dog to the right and return
- Sit while you move three-quarters of the way around the dog to the left and return
- Sit while you walk all the way around the dog
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you walk around the dog, quietly clapping your hands and then return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you quickly jog around the dog
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds while you clap your hands

Exercise Level 5

- Sit for 5 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you walk quickly 15 steps to the right and return
- Sit while you walk quickly 15 steps to the left and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you walk around the dog, clapping your hands Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you walk quickly backwards, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you go to an entrance and just touch the doorknob or wall and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you walk quickly backwards, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance and return
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you go to an entrance and just touch the doorknob or wall and return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you go to an entrance and just touch the doorknob or wall and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while the doorknob is touched or you move into entryway and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds while you clap your hands
- Sit for 10 seconds while you jog in place
- Sit for 5 seconds



Exercise Level 6

- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 20 seconds while you jog back and forth in front of the dog
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit while you walk approximately 20 steps to an entrance and return
- Sit while you walk quickly backwards, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you go to an entrance and just touch the doorknob or wall and return
- Sit for 20 seconds while jogging
- Sit while you walk around the dog
- Sit while you walk around the dog clapping your hands
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit for 30 seconds
- Sit while you walk quickly backwards, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you go to an entrance and just touch the doorknob or wall and return
- Sit while you open the door or go into the entrance for 5 seconds and then return
- Sit while you open the door or go into the entrance for 10 seconds and then return
- Sit for 30 seconds
- Sit while you walk quickly backwards, clapping your hands, and return
- Sit while you go to an entrance and just touch the doorknob or wall and return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway and then return
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway, clapping your hands and then return
- Sit while you open the door or go into the entrance for 10 seconds and then return
- Sit for 30 seconds
- Sit while you disappear from view for 5 seconds and then return
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit for 10 seconds while you clap your hands
- Sit for 5 seconds

Exercise Level 7

- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 20 seconds while you clap your hands
- Sit while you take 10 steps backwards and return
- Sit while you walk around the dog
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway and then return
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway, clapping your hands and then return
- Sit while you open the door or go into the entrance for 10 seconds and then return
- Sit for 30 seconds
- Sit while you disappear from view for 5 seconds and then return
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway and then return
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway, clapping your hands and then return
- Sit while you open the door or go into the entrance for 10 seconds and then return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 20 seconds
- Sit for 30 seconds
- Sit while you disappear from view for 10 seconds and then return
- Sit while you disappear from view for 15 seconds and then return
- Sit for 10 seconds
- Sit for 15 seconds
- Sit for 5 seconds while you clap your hands
- Sit while you jog in place for 10 seconds
- Sit while you jog three-quarters of the way to the right and return
- Sit while you jog three-quarters of the way to the left and return
- Sit while you go through the door or the entranceway, clapping your hands and then return
- Sit while you open the door or go into the entrance for 10 seconds and then return
- Sit for 30 seconds
- Sit while you disappear from view for 15 seconds and then return
- Sit for 10 seconds



RING TRAINING AND USE

Purpose of the Rings:

1. To enable Handlers to conduct training where a class is not available
2. To enable Handlers to gain ring experience for the class they are preparing to trial in

Ring setup times:

1. Set up will be at the completion of Agility training but not before 12:50pm

The criteria to use the Rings are:

1. You must help with the **setting up and/or packing down** of rings and equipment on the day.
 - a. If you set up equipment for your own use and no-one else is planning on using it, then you are required to pack it away again
2. Place your name on the ring running sheets located either inside the clubrooms or outside the rings against a time slot, which are a guide to the time you will be in the ring
 - b. Where time allocations have not been allocated, they can be used for training
3. You must be willing to assist running other members through the ring as they do to you, and act as a steward during training sessions
 - c. Inexperienced handlers will be assisted on developing their knowledge to do this
4. Group exercises will be conducted from 2:30pm only for aspiring trialling / trialling members in CCD (class 4) and above
5. Any additional requirements set out in the class listing below

Training rings have allocated times for setup and use and should be adhered to where possible. Packing up of the rings will occur after handlers have completed their time allocation but not be before 2:45 pm

Rings for Classes 4 (CCD) & 5 (Novice)

1. Handlers are able to use a rings as they become available i.e. if no UDX/UD/CDX dogs require the ring
2. Handlers must have an instructor or experienced person put them through unless you are a club instructor or a handler that has trained a dog to an Open Obedience title
3. Refer to criteria to use the Rings above

Rally Obedience Ring

1. Be at minimum class level of 3
 - d. Handlers may apply to the club's Chief Instructor if their dogs is in a class lower than 3
2. The Novice ring must have an experienced person / instructor available to instruct / run through a Handler (as a Handler you must also make yourself available to run other Handlers through on the day)
3. The Advanced, Excellent or Master courses are self-help and do not require an experienced person / instructor to run a Handler through the ring





CLASS EXERCISES

PUPPY CLASS All Exercises as per Class 1 – plus retrieving, puppy play and socialisation.

CLASS 1 All exercises on Loose Lead.

- Heel on lead with right / left turn and right / left about turn.
- Sit (Voice and lead/manually sit)
- Drop (from sit position)
- Stand – alongside handler.
- Recall (on lead, 4 metres) Progressing to handler returning around dog.
- Sit-Stay (10 seconds) Progressing to handler returning around dog.

CLASS 2 All Class 1 exercises plus:

- Heel on lead, plus all turns
- Slow pace
- Dog Introduction
- Stand Stay (on lead)
- Recall (on lead - Handler returns around dog)
- Sit Stay (30 seconds)
- Drop Stay (30 seconds - Handler returns around dog)

CLASS 3 All Class 1 & 2 exercises plus:

- Drop (whilst heeling)
- Figure of Eight
- Fast Pace
- Stand for Examination (Introduce lightly running hand over back & head). Recall Off Lead (maximum of 10 metres – lead up on lead)
- Finish on Lead
- Sit Stay (approx. 3 metres – 60 seconds with lead on the ground)
- Drop Stay (approx. 3 metres – 60 seconds with lead on the ground)

CLASS 4 (CCD) All Class 1, 2 & 3 exercises plus:

- Heeling on Lead
- Introduction to off lead heeling.
- Stand for Examination (on lead)
- Recall at least 12 metres – no lead up or finish)
- Change of Position Exercise – Drop in front of handler / lead on / return. Sit Stay (1 minute – approx.5 metres off lead)
- Drop Stay (2 minutes – approx.5 metres off lead)
- Introduction to Dumbbell / Retrieve Dumbbell Exercise. Introduction to Broad Jump.

CLASS 5 (NOVICE) All Class 1, 2, 3 & 4 exercises plus:

- All ANKC Novice Class Exercises including both optional exercises.
- All Stays with Distractions
- (Note: To be promoted from Class 5 to 6 you must attain three passes under an aspiring judge at a club Funday or three passes in the Novice class at a Trial, or a combination of each)

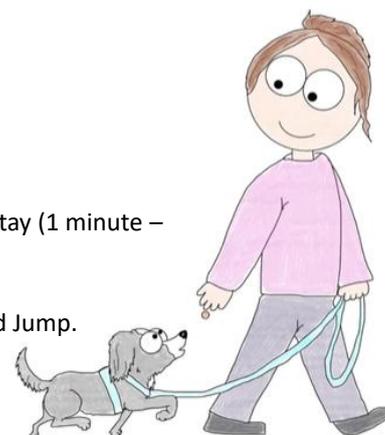
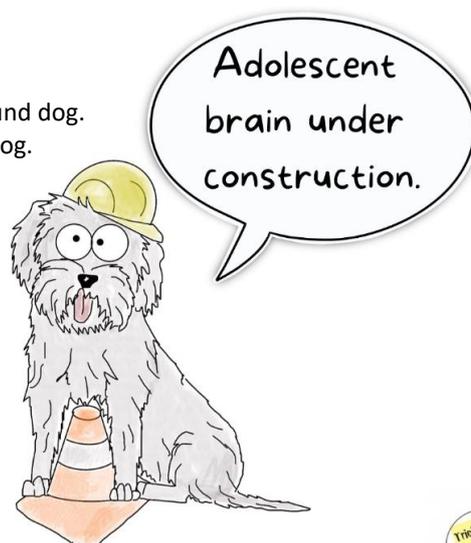
CLASS 6 (OPEN) Full Open Routine - All ANKC Open Class Exercises.

- (Note: To be promoted from Class 6 to 7 you must attain three passes under an aspiring judge at a club Funday or three passes in the Open class at a Trial)

CLASS 7 (UTILITY) Full Utility Routine (UD) - All ANKC Utility Class Exercises

CLASS 8 (UDX) Full Utility Dog Excellent Routine All ANKC UDX Class Exercises.

PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT ATTEMPT ANY OF THE EXERCISES ABOVE WITHOUT FIRST HAVING BEEN PROPERLY INSTRUCTED BY A CLUB INSTRUCTOR





Club Calendar 2025-2026



2026	Activity
7 February	First day of training
7 March	No training (long weekend)
10 March	Induction evening
4 April	No training (long weekend)
18 April	Fun Day
25 April	No training (long weekend)
28 April	Induction evening
26 May	Induction evening
6 June	No training (long weekend)
30 June	Induction evening
28 July	Induction evening
29 August	Fun Day
30 August	Scent Works Trial
1 September	Induction evening
12-13 September	NADAC Trial (2 days)
14 September	Annual General Meeting
17 October	Obedience and Rally Trial
24 October	50 th Anniversary
27 October	Induction evening
30 October	Last day to submit trophies
28 November	Last day of training
5 December	Presentation Night

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