

Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc.'s

# Slipcollar

*July & August 2009*



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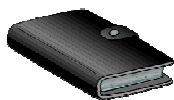
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Next 'Slipcollar' deadline:  
**Sunday, 20 Sept. 2009**

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# What's on?



- 1 August Agility Dog Club of SA Inc.  
Agility trials
- 2 August Rottweiler Club of SA Inc.  
Obedience trial
- 9 August German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc.  
Obedience trial
- 15 August Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc.  
Obedience trial**
- 16 August Agility Dog Club of SA Inc.  
Games trials
- 18 August PODOC committee meeting**
- 22 & 23 August Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc.  
Obedience trial
- 29 August Dogs SA Obedience Advisory Committee  
State Obedience Championships
- 30 August Gawler Dog Training Club Inc.  
Agility trials
- 4, 5 & 7 Sept. Royal Adelaide Show Obedience trials
- 6 September Royal Adelaide Show Agility trial
- 9 September Royal Adelaide Show Jumping trial
- 12 September Royal Adelaide Show Flyball competition
- 12 September Munno Para Dog Obedience Club In.  
Games trials
- 13 September German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc.  
Agility trials
- 14 September *No flyball training*
- 19 September Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee  
State Games Championships
- 20 September Port Adelaide Obedience Dog Club Inc.  
Obedience trial
- 27 September Gawler Dog Training Club Inc.  
Obedience trial

## President's Report

by Vicki Josephs



Hi everyone

Well, winter has certainly given us a true taste of the season and unfortunately some training sessions have been cancelled due to the rain. I hope you managed to still get your furkids out and about and they didn't drive you crazy because you weren't able to bring them to training.

The Club hosted a Mock Agility Trial on June 21<sup>st</sup>. I hope everyone had fun and took away something positive from the day. We could not have asked for better weather and the atmosphere on the grounds was upbeat and happy. Para's sponsors were at the grounds supporting the day and promoting their wares, the sausages sizzled for hours and there was a tunnellers course and a beginners ring as well as a Jumping and Agility ring. This event raised over \$1,000 for the Club with the success of the day being due to the contributions of many. A special thank you goes out to:

- Rose and Joy who gave their time to judge all afternoon;
- Roger and Paul who looked after the Tunnellers ring;
- Vanessa, Melissa, Helen and Victor who looked after the 'beginners' ring;
- Eddy, Ann, Knappy and Alex who stewarded all afternoon;
- Steven, Linda, Wayne, Margaret and Ron who stepped up to help when help was needed;
- Amy, Rachael and Rebecca who helped in the rings;
- Ray, Adrian and 'Uncle' Ollie who staffed the BBQ;
- Neil and Llana who staffed the canteen;
- Para's Committee who were there all day doing what needed to be done;
- SAODC, ADC and Gawler who provided extra tunnels;
- Para's sponsors - BARF, Devondale, Petstock and Hydrodog; and

to anyone else who pitched in when something needed to be done, I am sorry for not mentioning you by name, but please know that the Club thanks you!

Committee has decided to spend some of the proceeds from the Agility Mock Trial on books and DVDs which will be made available for members to borrow. Members will be able to borrow an item for a \$2 donation (plus, to prevent the items not finding their way back to the Club, we will be asking for a fully refundable \$20 deposit). If any member can recommend suitable books or DVDs pertaining to canine behaviour and training techniques, please see any of the Head Instructors or Committee Members. Also, any donations toward this lending library will be gratefully received.

The Club will be hosting its second Obedience Trial for the year on August 15. We have secured the services of a WA Judge which will give many competitors the opportunity to trial under a different person. To make this event a success, we

will need members to help on the day. We need help to set up the rings at 8 a.m. (and be rewarded with bacon & egg sandwiches). We need stewards for the rings, helpers to sell raffle tickets, take drinks to the Judges, set up lunch and attend to other bits and pieces on the day. If you can donate an hour or so of your time, please see myself or Sharon (our Head Obedience Instructor) and we will find something for you to do.

I would like to thank those members who took the time to provide feedback in response to my previous report. I acknowledge that not all feedback was positive toward me and comments ranged from “disappointment” to “it’s about time something was said”. All comments were delivered in a respectful manner and that’s really all I was on about. Some members have assumed that my article related to one person and one incident. Whilst one incident may have been the catalyst for writing the article, I was actually speaking in general terms about members seeming to think that it was okay to yell at, and be rude to, myself or your Committee just because something was changed or they did not like something that was done. This Club is bigger than the individual. Please always know there are avenues for any member to provide feedback. My email address is [vlj@bigbutton.com.au](mailto:vlj@bigbutton.com.au) or a letter can always be addressed to Committee.

Congratulations to all Club members who tasted success at the recent Agility State Championships. I’m sure a future ‘Hilda’s News’ will provide a full report of results from the event but I would like to shout out a special Congratulations to Rachael Fagan who took out 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Open Jumping with Jasper (Stokes) CCD ADX JDM JDO FM and Jaymie Clausen who took out 1<sup>st</sup> place in Excellent Jumping with Cooper ADX JD GD SPD. To view the full results from this event (or any other agility trial in 2009) go to [www.agilitysa.com](http://www.agilitysa.com).



You would be aware that several of our Club members are instructors here at Para (and some at other Clubs too) and there are those members who give back to the Club by serving on the Committee but did you know that many of Para’s members also:

- serve on Advisory Committees;
- are licensed Judges;
- are training to be Judges;
- are regularly called upon to be Stewards at Trials;
- are Representatives for the South Australian Canine Association;
- are Representatives for the Australian Flyball Association.

Please spend a moment to recognise the contributions of our members and consider what goal you might set for yourself to ‘give a little bit back’ to your Club and our Canine Sporting Community.

Agility Judge

Roger Green  
Vicki Josephs  
Jane Lawrence  
Joy Roberts  
Paul Schroeder

Agility Games Judge

Roger Green

Jane Lawrence

Agility Advisory Committee Member

Wendy Horne

Gill Schroeder

Obedience Judge

Nick Aavram

Roger Green

Jan Mitchell

Obedience Advisory Committee Member

Jan Mitchell

SACA Representative (Agility & Obedience)

Victor Jordon

Members who are regularly invited (relied upon) to steward at obedience &/or agility trials

Edward Burgess

Deborah Dickman

Bev Hale

Linda Hedges

Richard Holland

Val Holland

Steven Jansson

Victor Jordon

Rebecca Knapp

Hilda Lomas (retired)

Catherine Saberton

Ronnie Schmidt

Wayne Window

South Australian Representative for the Australian Flyball Association (AFA)

Catherine Saberton

AFA Judge

Catherine Saberton

AFA Representative

Julian Stokes

Australian National Kennel Council (ANKC) Flyball Advisory Committee Member

Chrissy Dalla-Valle

Julian Stokes

Aspiring ANKC Flyball Judge

Julian Stokes

Martin Watt

Endurance Test Judge

Roger Green

Aspiring Herding Judge

Vicki Josephs



# DOG/HANDLER ETIQUETTE

- ◆ Always pick up faeces after your dog has defecated and place in the bins provided.
- ◆ When approaching another dog, ask the permission of the owner if it is okay to approach. Do not assume that every dog wants to be approached by unknown dogs or people.
- ◆ After being given the okay to approach an unknown dog, approach calmly and do not allow your dog to rush at them. Keep the leash short enough, but not tight, to pull your dog back quickly if there is a problem.
- ◆ If your dog wants a drink, do not allow them to interrupt another dog while they are drinking. Wait until they have finished, then allow your dog to drink.
- ◆ Do not approach dogs that are tethered and unsupervised.
- ◆ Do not take your dog off lead, unless directed by an instructor.
- ◆ Supervise your children around dogs and always ask permission of the owner before allowing children to pat unknown dogs.
- ◆ Ensure your dog does not become entangled with other dogs' leads. Always allow space between you and your dog and other dogs and handlers. Be aware of your environment at all times.
- ◆ If your dog urinates on any club buildings, get some water and wash the area.
- ◆ Listen to and observe all instruction from club officials and instructors.



## MEMBERSHIP FEES



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***New members pay an additional joining fee of \$5.***

*Agility and Flyball classes have an additional cost of \$2 per lesson and \$1 for each additional dog to cover lighting expenses and upkeep of equipment.*

*Membership fees cover a year of training from February to November. Reduced rates apply if joining later in the year.*

# Agility

# Trials & Tribulations

by James Liddle

BOY! THEY STINK  
AT THIS! NOT  
ONE OF THEM  
HAS TAKEN  
AN OBSTACLE!



YEAH, BUT DO THEY  
GET N.Q.'D?



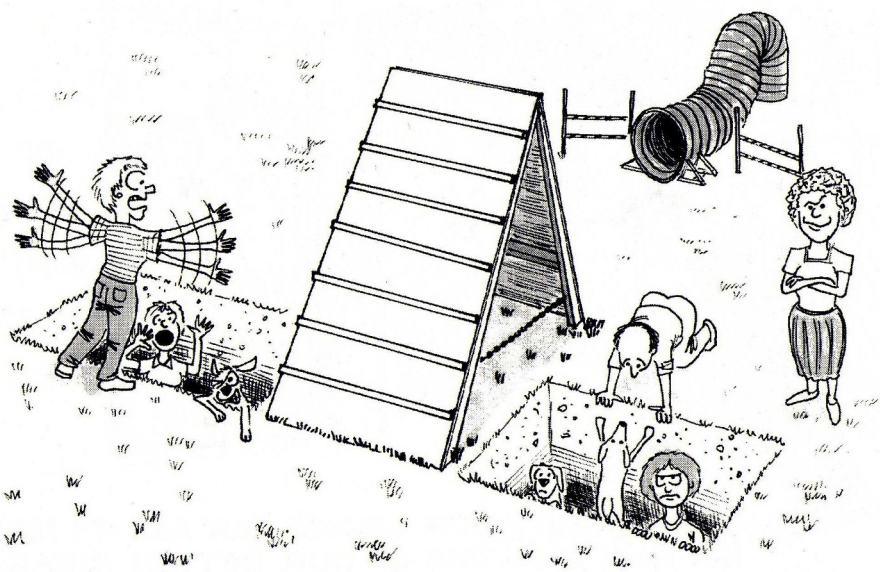
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- ENTRY FEE
  - 4 HOUR DRIVE
  - HOTEL (2 NIGHTS)
  - FIRST PLACE RIBBON
  - SECOND PLACE
  - ANY PLACE
  - ~~GRAND PRIZE RIBBON?~~
  - 4 HOUR DRIVE

- CAR RIDE
- CAR RIDE



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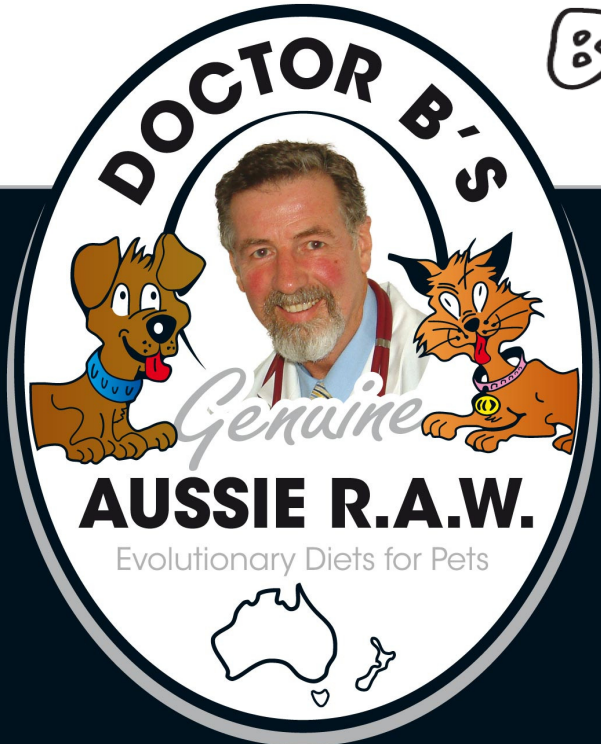
# JUDGE FURLEY WAS NOTED FOR HER "TRAPS."



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Port Adelaide Obedience Dog Club Inc.

**MOCK TRIAL – SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009**

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START TIME 10.00am Entry Fee – \$5.00

LEVELS AVAILABLE: CCD, CD, OPEN, UD & UDX

BBQ AVAILABLE



# ADVANCE NOTICE

Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc.'s

## AGM

**Monday, 7 December 2009**

**7 p.m.**

Venue: Club grounds

*Note this date in your diary*

### **YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT**

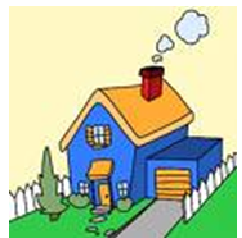


Para District Obedience Dog Club runs a couple of obedience and agility trials each year. Occasionally we have interstate judges coming over to judge.

If you are able to provide billeting accommodation for a couple of nights on rare occasions

for judges wishing to take up this option, please advise a committee member.

*Thank you!*





# PLEASE NOTE



Office hours:

**Sunday mornings: 9.15—11.15 a.m.**

&

**Friday nights: 6.30—7.30 p.m.**



## DID YOU KNOW?

### Salisbury Council policy

‘Dogs trained and certified to Level 3 Obedience, show ring, agility or Good Canine Good Citizen dogs will receive concession upon presentation of certified documentation. This needs only to be presented once for the concession to apply each year.’

# Para Pics

*Para's Mock  
Trial &  
Open Day*

*21 June  
2009*



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OR EMAIL TO [mjstokes@adam.com.au](mailto:mjstokes@adam.com.au)



# The Transformation

by Krista Mifflin

## The Evolution of a Dog Owner to a Dog "Person"

You see them, walking their dogs, throwing a ball, or putting down the food dish. They are everywhere, and look just like you, but what is it that sticks out in your mind, something that you can't really point out but it says "That is a dog owner"? What's the difference between that chance-seen person, and the dog person that looks back at you in the mirror every morning?

There are millions of dog-owning people on this planet, but not all are "dog people". Dog "people" are instantly recognisable by another, something that just feels familiar, an in-tune-with-the-dog feeling, and you nod in understanding as they open their wallet and show pictures of their family, pointing out the four-legged children, and describing them as such. And dog people do this. Generally only with other dog people. They draw each other like magnets in a crowd, gravitating toward a centre arena, regaling each other lives.

And then there's the dog "owner". These people have a dog ... know they have a dog ... but generally don't espouse on that fact, the dog is just "there". Utterly responsible owners they may be, but there's something tangible missing.

Sometimes I see the dog "owner" again, but somewhere along the line, he's transformed into a dog "person", and the change is recognisable. I always want to ask when the change happened. I never do, for fear of looking like a moron, but for some of us dog people, the change was a definable point. We weren't all born as dog people, although some were certainly lucky enough to be born with it. Some dog owners, like myself, have gone through the change, where we morphed into true dog people, as opposed to being just a dog "owner".

As an owner-turned-person, sometimes I try to find the exact moment in my life when the change happened. I know it happened with one dog. It may have been when I realised that that one dog decided I was a goddess and fully worthy of worship. Genuine enthusiasm is very hard to resist, after all. It might have been when I realised that, yes, he was intelligent, and seemed to really understand everything I told him. It may have happened when I faced losing him to Parvovirus, and did everything I possibly could to save him (with help), and his resistance to the lure of the Bridge drew me in. It might also have been something that was said to me years ago, regarding HIS feelings, when before I wasn't aware that he had any.

I know it wasn't an immediate change, but whenever it was, it was truly enlightening. Something made me stop viewing him as "just" an animal, and started to see him as my best friend. And from that point on, everything went uphill, fast.

Nowadays, I am a true dog person, and dogs will always share and enrich my life. I hope to share and enrich theirs as well.

Source: [www.aboutdogs.com](http://www.aboutdogs.com)





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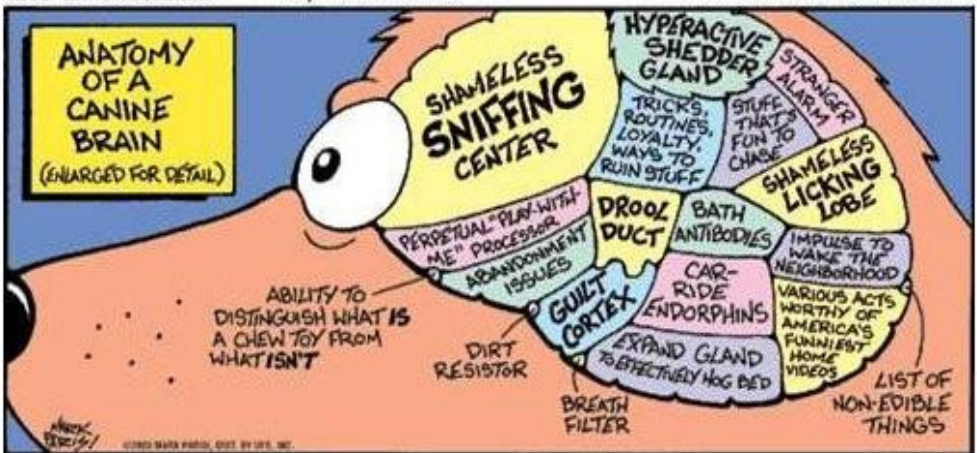
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by Mark Parisi

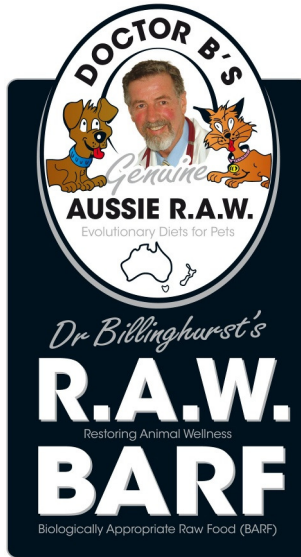
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# Hilda's News

## Trial Results

Triallers please note:

Some members are not putting PDODC as their club and others who put PDODC as their second club, you are eligible for a club badge, but not end-of-year trophies.



### SA Obedience Dog Club Agility Trials 19/4/2009 A.M.

#### Agility

##### *Masters*

Wendy & Hollie	1st
Danni & Xena	2nd
Joy & Pippa	5th

#### Jumping

##### *Masters*

Danni & Xena	2nd
Gill & Cooper	5th
Val & Georgia	3rd

##### *Excellent*

Jaymie & Cooper	1st
Vanessa & India	2nd

P.M.

#### Agility

##### *Masters*

Danni & Inka	1st
Wendy & Hollie	2nd
Danni & Xena	4th
Val & Georgia	5th

#### Jumping

##### *Masters*

Danni & Inka	1st
Christy & Cassie	2nd

##### *Open*

Wendy & Hollie	2nd
Danni & Xena	3rd
Joy & Pippa	3rd

### German Shepherd Dog Club Agility Trials 2/5/2009 A.M.

#### Agility

##### *Masters*

Roger & Gabby	3rd
Sue & Chocolatedog	2nd

##### *Excellent*

Colin & Ben	4th
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##### *Open*

Val & Georgia	2nd
Roger & Gabby	4th
Victor & Ryan	5th

#### Jumping

##### *Excellent*

Kay & Storm	2nd
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##### *Open*

Danni & Xena	2nd
Val & Georgia	3rd
Joy & Pippa	7th
Victor & Ryan	6th

P.M.

#### Agility

##### *Open*

Victor & Ryan	4th
Danni & Xena	2nd

#### Jumping

##### *Masters*

Victor & Ryan	3rd
Wendy & Hollie	1st
Val & Georgia	2nd
Victor & Ryan	4th

**Southern Districts Obedience Dog Club**  
**Agility Trials**  
**9/5/2009**  
**A.M.**

<u>Agility</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	2nd
Danni & Xena	3rd
Joy & Pippa	10th
<i>Open</i>	
Helen & Tessa	2nd
Vanessa & India	7th
Rachael & Scrappy	8th
<i>Excellent</i>	
Chrissy & Cassie	3rd
Helen & Tessa	4th
Vanessa & India	5th
<u>Jumping</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Danni & Inka	2nd
<i>Open</i>	
Rachael & Scrappy	2nd

**P.M.**

<u>Agility</u>	
<i>Open</i>	
Jane & Massey	3rd
Victor & Ryan	5th
<u>Jumping</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Danni & Xena	1st
Victor & Ryan	8th
<i>Open</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	1st
Danni & Xena	2nd
Victor & Ryan	8th
<i>Novice</i>	
Alex & Noah	2nd

**German Shepherd Dog Club**  
**Obedience Trial**  
**23/5/2009**

<i>CCD</i>	
Rebecca & Flame	98
Karen & Isabeau	93
Lee & Chelsea	85
<i>Open B</i>	
Jan & Scruffy	190
Karen & Kaisias	184

**Dover Gardens 40th Anniversary**  
**Obedience Trial**  
**24/5/2009**

<i>Open 1</i>	
Karen & Kaisias	171
<i>Open 2</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	195
Leonard & Sherry	182
<i>Novice 1</i>	
Mary & Missy	180
<i>Novice 2</i>	
Mary & Toddy	182
<i>CCD</i>	
Lee & Chelsea	85
<i>Vintage</i>	
Mary & Sinade	171
<b>Most Willing Workers</b>	
UDX:	Michelle & Jilaru
Open 1:	Jan & Scruffy
Open 2:	Michelle & Jilaru
Novice 1:	Linda & Ashwyn
<b>Congratulations!</b>	

**Para District Obedience Dog Club**  
**Agility, Jumping & Games Trials**  
**30/5/2009**  
**A.M.**

<u>Agility</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st
<i>Open</i>	
Rebekah & Jade	2nd
Rachael & Scrappy	5th
Roger & Gabby	6th
<i>Novice</i>	
Karen & Jade	1st
Neil & Sascha	3rd

**P.M.**

<u>Jumping</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	1st
Danni & Xena	2nd
Melissa & Amy	9th
<i>Open</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	1st
Danni & Xena	2nd
Rachael & Scrappy	6th
Victor & Ryan	9th

<i>Excellent</i>	
Kay & Storm	3rd
<u>Gamblers</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	1st
Danni & Inka	2nd
<i>Excellent</i>	
Gill & Cooper	2nd
Paul & Jazz	3rd
Michelle & Jilaru	4th
Rachael & Scrappy	6th
Melissa & Amy	10th
<i>Novice</i>	
Danni & Gabrielle	1st
Kay & Storm	2nd
Victor & Ryan	3rd
Chrissy & Cassie	6th
Jan & Bonnie	9th
<u>Strategic Pairs</u>	
<i>Excellent</i>	
Paul & Jazz	2nd
and Gill & Cooper	
Gaynor & Wally	5th
and Michelle & Tully	
Sue & Chocolatedog	6th
and Sue & Codie	
Rebekah & Jade	7th SPDX
and Joy & Pippa	
Jaymie & Cooper	9th
<i>Novice</i>	
Chrissy & Cassie	1st SPD
and Helen & Tessa	
<i>Masters</i>	
Danni & Inka	1st
Rachael & Scrappy	6th
and Vicki & Summa	

**Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club**  
**Agility Trials**  
**6/6/2009**  
**A.M.**

<u>Agility</u>	
<i>Masters</i>	
Danni & Xena	1st
<i>Open</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st
Danni & Inka	2nd
Danni & Xena	3rd
Vanessa & India	5th

<u>Jumping</u>	
<i>Novice</i>	
Vicki & Gypsie	3rd
<i>Open</i>	
Gill & Cooper	1st
Danni & Xena	2nd
<b>P.M.</b>	
<u>Agility</u>	
<i>Novice</i>	
Danni & Gabrielle	1st
<i>Open</i>	
Paul & Jazz	1st
Vanessa & India	3rd
Melissa & Amy	4th
<i>Masters</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st
Jane & Massey	2nd
Danni & Inka	4th
Helen & Tessa	Q
<u>Jumping</u>	
<i>Open</i>	
Danni & Xena	1st
Paul & Jazz	3rd
<i>Excellent</i>	
Gill & Darcy	6th
<i>Masters</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	1st
Danni & Xena	3rd
Paul & Jazz	4th

**7/6/2009**  
**A.M.**

<u>Agility</u>	
<i>Novice</i>	
Danni & Gabrielle	1st
<i>Open</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st
Danni & Xena	2nd
<i>Excellent</i>	
Gill & Darcy	1st
<i>Masters</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st
Jane & Massey	2nd
Danni & Xena	3rd
Melissa & Amy	7th
<u>Jumping</u>	
<i>Novice</i>	
Steven & Matilda	1st
<i>Open</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st

Wendy & Hollie	3rd	Rachael & Scrappy	2nd
Jane & Massey	4th	<i>Novice</i>	
<i>Masters</i>		Karen & Morgan	1st AD
Danni & Inka	1st	Alex & Noah	2nd
Wendy & Hollie	2nd	<u>Jumping</u>	
Michelle & Jilaru	3rd	<i>Novice</i>	
Danni & Xena	5th	Sandra & Maggie	2nd
Helen & Tessa	7th	<i>Masters</i>	
	<b>P.M.</b>	Wendy & Hollie	1st
<u>Agility</u>		<i>Open</i>	
<i>Novice</i>		Wendy & Hollie	1st
Sue & Chocolatedog	1st	Joy (Victor) & Pippa	5th
<i>Open</i>			<b>P.M.</b>
Michelle & Jilaru	1st	<u>Agility</u>	
Danni & Inka	3rd	<i>Masters</i>	
Danni & Xena	4th	Danni & Inka	2nd
Jane & Massey	5th	Danni & Xena	3rd
Helen & Tessa	7th	Joy (Victor) & Pippa	5th
<i>Masters</i>		<i>Open</i>	
Wendy & Hollie	1st	Michelle & Jilaru	1st
<u>Jumping</u>		Melissa & Amy	4th
<i>Open</i>		<i>Excellent</i>	
Michelle & Jilaru	1st	Gill & Darcy	3rd
<i>Excellent</i>		<i>Novice</i>	
Gill & Darcy	2nd	Karen & Morgan	1st
<i>Masters</i>		Alex & Noah	5th
Wendy & Hollie	1st	<u>Jumping</u>	
Jane & Massey	7th	<i>Open</i>	
<b>Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club</b>		Michelle & Jilaru	1st
<b>Obedience Trials</b>		Wendy & Hollie	3rd
<b>6/6/2009</b>		<i>Masters</i>	
<i>CCD</i>		Wendy & Hollie	2nd
Irma & Sisko	95	Danni & Inka	3rd
	<b>7/6/2009</b>	Paul & Jazz	6th
<i>CCD</i>		Melissa & Amy	13th
Irma & Sisko	95 CCD	<b>Gawler Obedience Trial – 5/7/2009</b>	
Roger & Fern	88	<i>CCD</i>	
<b>Agility Dog Club – Agility Trials</b>		Rebecca & Flame	87
<b>13/6/2009</b>		Sandra & Maggie	83
<b>A.M.</b>		<i>Novice</i>	
<u>Agility</u>		Vanessa & India	TITLE 190 2nd
<i>Masters</i>		Alice & Lucky	183 3rd
Wendy & Hollie	1st	Linda & Ashwyn	TITLE 177 4th
Cheryl & Ruby	9th	Lee & Chelsea	175
Cheryl & Jarna	10th	<i>Open</i>	
<i>Excellent</i>		Michelle & Jilaru	194 1st
Chrissy & Cassie	1st	<i>Utility</i>	
<i>Open</i>		Michelle & Jilaru	195 1st
Michelle & Jilaru	1st	Melissa & Amy	187 2nd

# Responsible Dog Ownership - Be a Responsible Dog Owner

by Jenna Stregowski

Responsible dog ownership means more than adoring your dog. Dog ownership is a serious commitment that consists of vital duties. Before you decide to get a dog, you must pledge to be responsible. Here are some of the most important rules of conscientious dog ownership.

## **Commit for the Long Haul**

When you get a dog, it is not like getting a car loan. When your dog misbehaves, you can't just trade him in. If he gets sick, it is your job to help him get well. If circumstances in your home environment change, you must consider the toll it will take on your dog and make every effort to help him along.

## **Make Time For Your Dog**

Bonding is not something you can do once and assume it's finished. The bond with your dog is built during the first few weeks to months of ownership, but maintaining the bond is a lifelong process. Remember that while you are at work, out with friends, or running errands, your dog is usually just waiting for you to come home.

## **Provide Proper Identification**

Your dog should wear a collar at all times with current identification. Consider microchipping your dog for an added layer of protection. Proper identification can help you become reunited with your dog if lost rather than letting your dog become one more homeless pet in an overcrowded shelter.

## **Spay and Neuter**

Millions of pets are euthanised each year because of pet overpopulation. If you do not have your dog spayed or neutered you are contributing to this problem. If your dog is suitable for breeding, be a responsible breeder. You can help save lives – please sterilise your pets!

## **Do Not Be a “Backyard Breeder”**

If you choose to breed your dog, be sure to follow the proper protocols. Your dog should be a quality, healthy purebred with no congenital or hereditary problems. Educate yourself about breeding standards, become involved with a network of responsible breeders and find a veterinarian who can be involved along the way. Reputable breeders have years of experience and education. Breeding dogs is not just a hobby.

## **Keep Your Dog Healthy**

Because of their survival instinct, dogs are not as likely to show pain or illness as humans. Regular visits to your veterinarian, healthy diet and exercise are all important aspects to help your dog stay strong and content.

## **Train Your Dog**

Proper etiquette not only benefits you and your dog; it also benefits others. A well-behaved dog is less likely to upset people and pets in public places and will be more welcomed at gatherings. If your dog's misbehaviour results in any sort of accident, injury or similar incident, you must take full responsibility for that behaviour.

## **Respect Others, Be Respected**

This may seem like common sense to some of us, but there are still dog owners out there who do not "get" it. Please help give dog owners a good name by following these rules: *Keep your dog on a leash or in a fenced-in yard when outdoors. Even if you live where it is legal to allow your dog off-leash, you should supervise him at all times. Do not let him wander the neighbourhood or get out of your sight.*

*Do not leave a barking dog outdoors. Continuous barking is not only unfair to your dog, it is rude and annoying to neighbours.*

*Pick up after your dog. No-one wants to step in or smell that "gift" your dog left behind. Please pick it up right away and dispose of it properly.*

Source: [www.aboutdogs.com](http://www.aboutdogs.com)





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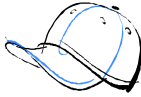
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# **PARA DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB**

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# “Dear RALPH!”

*Woof, woof to all my doggy friends! Hope you are all keeping warm and dry through winter. Although, I must say ... playing in the mud is one of my favourite games. My humans don't like it so much though. Strange creatures they are!!*

Dear Ralph,

I have 3 dogs, one of which is an almost 4-year-old Border Collie. I love him to bits and he is almost always good, but ..... He has to pee on or around his food dish after he has eaten. Not every night, not even every week. He just does it randomly.

He has always eaten with manners and is always the last one to finish his dinner. The others don't even try and get to his food, as I have watched them for this.

What is his problem and how can I fix it?

Kind regards,

Border Collie Lover



*Hi there BC Lover,*

*I don't normally answer to human letters, but sounds like you need a little help! Dogs have a way to declare ownership in their territory, and one way they do that is to mark the area with urine. This is mostly a male trait, although some female dogs mark also. It's like leaving a calling card. He is purely trying to let his other housemates know that this is his food bowl and his area and that they should stay away from it. And it's working for him by the sounds of it. However, you humans probably don't like the smell near your back door, so I suggest that, when he has finished eating, you pick up his bowl and put it on high ground where he can't pee on or around it. Another trick my human sometimes uses is to spray apple cider vinegar in areas that she doesn't want me to pee. And believe me, after I got one whiff of this stuff, I didn't want to keep sniffing around, so found somewhere up the back yard to cock my leg, so to speak! Hope this helps.*

Letters will be replied to by Ralph and published in 'Slipcollar'

Please address all mail to:

“Dear RALPH”

[dearralph@hotmail.com](mailto:dearralph@hotmail.com)

or post to PO Box 497, Salisbury SA 5108



# Guess My Name



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| 1. Huckleberry Hound | 11. Wags the Dog              |
| 2. Snoopy            | 12. Dino                      |
| 3. Fred Basset       | 13. Gromit                    |
| 4. Odie              | 14. Augie Doggy & Daddy Doggy |
| 5. Dyno Mutt         | 15. Ralf                      |
| 6. Mutley            | 16. Santa's Little Helper     |
| 7. Mark Anthony      | 17. Wylie E. Coyote           |
| 8. Beagley Beegly    | 18. Pluto                     |
| 9. Astro             | 19. Droopy Dog                |
| 10. Scooby Doo       | 20. Hong Kong Phooey          |



***CLASSES ARE HELD EVERY SUNDAY, MONDAY AND FRIDAY FROM FEBRUARY TO NOVEMBER, EXCEPT IN THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:***

- There will be no training in any discipline on a long weekend (where the Friday or Monday is a public holiday).
- Sunday morning classes: If the estimated Sunday maximum temperature for Elizabeth (Channel 9 News, Saturday night) is 32 degrees or higher, training will be cancelled.
- Friday night classes: If the estimated Friday maximum temperature for Elizabeth (Channel 9 News, Thursday night) is 32 degrees or higher, all **NON-TRIALLING CLASSES** will be cancelled.
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# Cover Story

Hi. My name is Hollie and I am a 7½-year-old Border Collie. Mum and I have been a member of this club since I was a puppy. Somebody suggested trying agility and so, at six months, mum and I gave it a go. Wow, this was so much fun. I got to do jumps, go through tunnels and all this other equipment I had never seen before. We had a ball and kept going back week after week, and mum and I learnt so much from the great instructors we had.



As time went on and we got better we got to compete against other dogs that did it. We did alright at the beginning winning some trials, but then sometimes I thought that I didn't need mum telling me what to do and would do my own course, oh those tunnels were so much fun, but I soon found out that wasn't quite the thing to do as I didn't get my Scooby snacks at the end. I soon learnt quickly though. Mum and I sometimes still make mistakes but we have great fun trying and she always gives me my Scooby snacks now. Would have to say to all my four-legged friends you should give this agility thing a go. You will have a ball.

Woof Woof

Hollie



*Wendy and Hollie have achieved amazing success together in their agility career which I would like to acknowledge on behalf of the club. As well as CD ADM JDM ADO JDO SDX GDX SPD titles, the following is a list of their achievements to date:*

**2003** SACA Top Jumping Dog Novice Title

**2004** SACA Jumping Dog Excellent Title and Jumping Dog Masters Title

**2005** SACA Agility Dog Masters Title

**2006** SACA Top Jumping Dog, SACA Top Open Jumping Trialing and SACA Jumping Dog Open Title

*Nationals Strategic Pairs, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, and Nationals Open Jumping, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
First to achieve Agility Champion in SA*

**2007** National team challenge

*SACA Top Jumping Dog, SACA Top Open Agility and SACA Top Open Jumping*

**2008** Nationals team challenge, 1<sup>st</sup> Place

*Nationals Open Agility, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place*

*SACA Top Agility Dog, SACA Top Open Agility and SACA Top Open Jumping  
State Champion Masters Gamblers, State Champion Masters Snooker, State  
Champion Masters Strategic Pairs and State Champion Open Agility*

*by Michelle Stokes, 'Slipcollar' Editor*

# Teams of the Month

Congratulations to all members and dogs that won Team of the Month  
TOM is awarded to the best team graduating from one class to the next  
A little reward for people who put extra effort in

## Class 1-2

No graduations



## Class 3-4

**Jim & Achilles**  
Deborah & Libbey

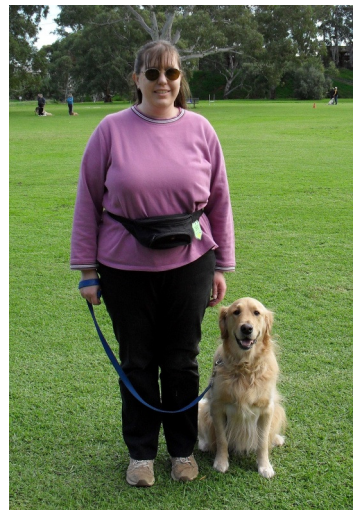


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## Class 2-3

**Paul & Holly**  
Marina & Maddie



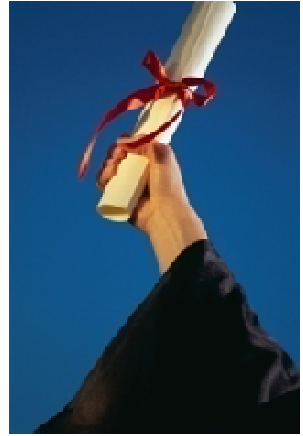
## Class 4 - 5

**Louise & Harvey**



**Class 1-2**

**Sam & Jay Bear**  
Vicki & Dharma



**Class 2-3**

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**Class 3-4**

**Courtney & Hurley**  
Natalie & Kayla



**Class 4 - 5**

**Lee & Lara**

**If you would like a colour copy of your Team of the Month photo for \$3, just let Michelle Stokes know when your photo is taken.**

**PARA DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INCORPORATED**  
*General Club Rules*

1. Dogs are not allowed in Clubrooms.
2. Bitches in season are not allowed on Club grounds.
3. Dogs may not be off lead unless permitted by an Instructor.
4. Dogs and handlers must not use equipment without permission of Instructors.
5. All incidents of dog attacks (provoked or unprovoked) must be reported immediately to the Head Instructor who will act accordingly. The incident must be recorded in the Incident Report book in the Office. An appeal to the decision made by the Head Instructor may be made in writing to the Club Secretary and the incident discussed at the next Committee meeting.
6. Children under 10 years of age must be supervised by an appropriate adult at all times on Club grounds.
7. If your dog fouls the Club grounds you must clean up the deposit immediately. Poo bags are provided on the grounds. If your dog urinates on a Club building or structure, you rinse it off with water. Containers for water can be provided upon request if none are available.
8. Smoking is not permitted in class or in Club buildings.
9. No alcoholic drinks are permitted in class or in Club buildings.
10. If you arrive late, do not enter your class. Wait until the instructor indicates that you may join.
11. Members must wear sensible shoes – no thongs or bare feet.
12. Any member not in class may not exercise their dog in the vicinity of classes in progress.
13. Please keep dogs well apart to avoid confrontations.
14. All handlers and dogs participate at their own risk.
15. A current vaccination certificate must be presented upon joining or attending a complimentary lesson. It must also be presented when renewing an existing membership.
16. Dogs carrying a contagious disease may not attend training until they are officially cleared in writing by a qualified vet.
17. Abusive or foul language is not tolerated on Club grounds.

18. Your membership badge must be worn in class. Replacement or “I forgot” badges are available from the office.
19. There will be no training for Obedience if the Saturday night forecast for Sunday is 32°C or over for the **Elizabeth area**.
20. There will be no training for non-triallers in Agility if the Thursday night forecast for Friday is 32°C or over for the **Elizabeth area**.
21. There will be no training for beginners in Flyball if the Sunday night forecast for Monday is 32°C or over for the **Elizabeth area**.
22. Any class may be cancelled due to stormy or inclement weather at the discretion of the Head Instructor(s).
23. Sun protection is encouraged for you and your dog.
24. All injuries must be reported and recorded.
25. Class instructors, in consultation with the discipline Head Instructor, reserve the right to send a dog back to a lower class if it is to the advantage of the dog and/or handler.

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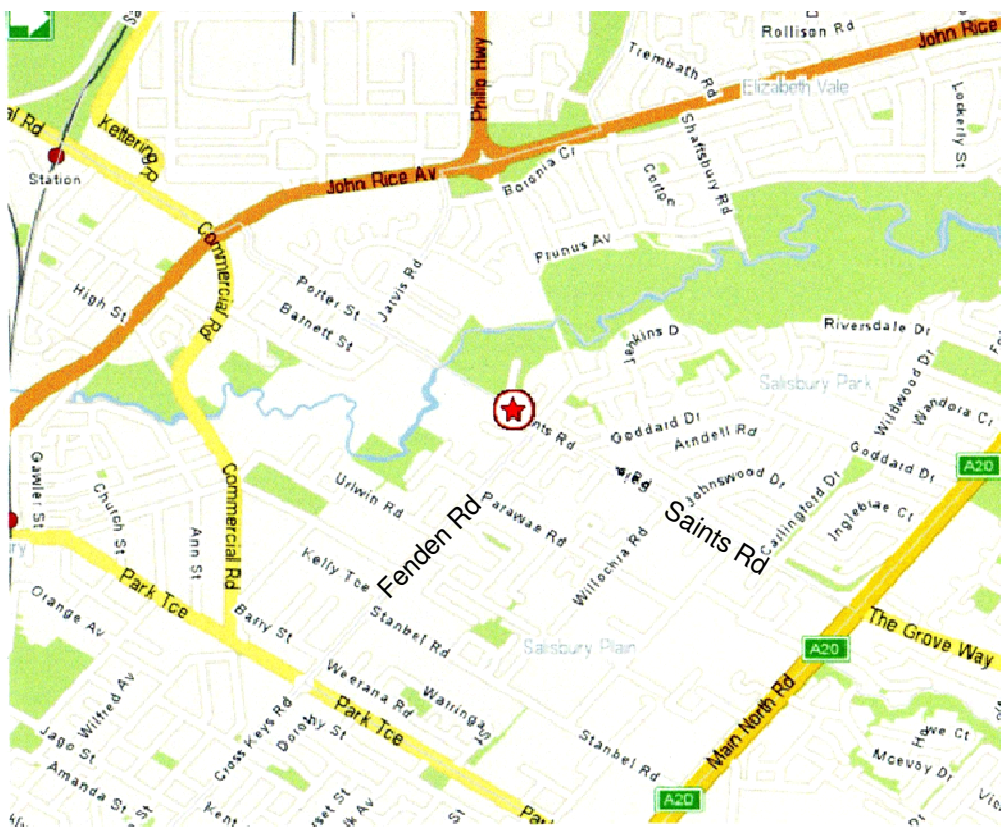
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### Obedience

#### Sunday (A.M.)

- 8.30 Utility
- 9.30 Puppies, Class 5 & Class 2
- 10.20 Class 6
- 10.20 First timers - *information session for handlers*  
Learners
- 11.15 Class 4
- 11.20 Class 3
- 11.25 Class 1

### Flyball

#### Monday (P.M.)

- 6.30 Set-up and Dog Assessment
- 6.45 Beginners
- 7.20 Intermediates
- 8.00 Triallers

#### Articles for submission in 'Slipcollar':

Place in Editor's basket in the office *or* email to [mjstokes@adam.com.au](mailto:mjstokes@adam.com.au)

### Agility

#### Friday (P.M.)

- 7.00 Puppies/Beginners, Advanced learners & Novice
- 7.45 Learners, Pre-Novice & Open/Exc.
- 8.30 Masters



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