



SCRATCH 'N' SNIFF

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CLUB ESTABLISHED: 1979 - VCA AFFILIATED: 1986

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 7th Oct 2019

BINGO NIGHT - Sale Greyhound Racing Club 'Charity Bingo'.

Eyes down 7:30pm

*** The club requires 20 raffle prizes to have on the night if you can donate please speak with Pam Darby or Natalie Brown.

We will also have a table for the night, if you are interested in coming along please let Pam or Natalie know.

**Saturday 12th &
Sunday 13th Oct 2019**

NO CLASSES

AGILITY AND JUMPING TRIAL

We will be looking for volunteers for this date. If anyone is interested in helping. If interested, please ask an instructor

9th ENDURANCE TEST

On Sunday the 7th of July we held our 9th Endurance Test in Sale around Lake Guthridge and Lake Guyatt. Set up began in the dark at 6:30am with competitors arriving soon after.



The test is conducted under the rules and regulations of Dogs Victoria. Participants must be a Dogs Victoria member and their dogs must be registered.

The Endurance Test is a 20 km run for dogs to test their endurance.

The test takes approx 2 hours and 35 minutes. The test consists of three sections – 8kms, 6kms and 6kms with breaks between each section. Dogs are trained prior to the test to jog on the left hand side of a bike without pulling or lagging. Dogs travel at a speed of 10 kms per hour a nice gentle jog; most dogs enjoy travelling at this speed.

Prior to the test a dog's pads are conditioned and accustomed to running on different surfaces (Road, gravel, footpath).

All entrants must produce a veterinary certificate confirming the dog's fitness in order to take part. A veterinary team is on hand to check the dog's temperature, heart rate and pad condition prior to the start of the test, during each rest period between the three sections and on completion of the run.

Once completed the dog gains the title ET after his/her registered name and the handler receives a lovely sash from the Club.

We had entrants from the local area and from Melbourne. It is an enjoyable day (once the test is finished).

We could not hold this event without the co-operation of the general public who use the lake and the Wellington Shire council.



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We had 18 entries leading up to the test. With 15 participating in the test on the day which resulted in 12 passes. The club had 6 members take part.

Our judge for the day was Mr Ray Ashman and Meg Ryan was our VCA rep. Our vet and vet nurses that volunteered on the day were from Longford Vet. Head Vet & Blue Vetting Station – Terri Allen with her scribe being Pam Darby, vet nurse & Red Vetting Station -Marlee Cochrane with Emily Hunt as her scribe, vet nurse & Green Vetting Station – Adam Maher with Tara Dean as his scribe and vet nurse and Yellow Vetting Station - Denielle Saunders with her scribe Willy Lucas.

The pace setter for the test was Simone Watts and other bike stewards on the day were also Callum Dean, Linda Lawson, Frank Vanatta and Hayden Watts.

The test required a road closure with traffic management and signs to be placed around the general area, this task was carried out by non club member Justin Brown.



We had lots of helpers back at the club organising to feed the hungry mob once they arrived for presentations and a feed. I hope I am not forgetting anyone so thank you to Peter Lopez, Gail Lopez, Karen Spargo, Vickie Green, Ana Butcher and Mavis Weymouth.

For presentations competitors that passed received their pass card, a sash, Sashas Blend dog lead and a dehydrated treat (donated by Ruth Harvey).

We had several businesses help us to run this test so thanks to Longford Vet, Wellington Shire Council, Momentum Traffic Control and Sashas Blend - Interpath.

Competitors said it was a very pleasant ride and location to hold the event. Some competitors expressed an interest in entering the event in the future but they must have been delirious from over exercise or something.

The co-operation from the general public on the day was fantastic once again with several lake users wanting more information about what we were doing and why.

Our local councils help leading up to and throughout the event was fantastic.

A big thank you to all those members from our club that helped out on the day to make it run smoothly.

A huge thanks to the club for allowing me to run the Endurance Test for 2019 on their behalf.

Natalie Brown



CONGRATULATIONS

JANICE & DECOY VANATTA



On Sunday 7th July Janice and Decoy took part in the club's Endurance Test held at Lake Guthridge in Sale.

From Janice "Thanks to those who convinced and supported me to train Decoy for his ET. At my age it was a bit of a daunting thought to get out there on my bike with my dog at my side! My last ET was 12 years ago, can't imagine where that time has gone! True to himself, Decoy put his best paw forward and trotted along for the 20km like a little trooper. "



Then on Saturday 13th July, Decoy and Janice entered both a Rally Advanced and a Rally Excellent test at the same trial toward gaining their RAE title.

The weather was cold, windy and rainy, with a bit of hail thrown in for luck. Did they pass? Hail yes.

**Well done, a title and a passes 2 weekends in a row,
what super stars!!!**

CONGRATULATIONS

CATHERINE & WINTER REASON



Also on Sunday 7th July, Catherine and Winter took part in the club's Endurance Test held at Lake Guthridge in Sale.

Pictured is
Kimbush Milady De Winter RN ET

Great work!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

FIONA & BETTINA GILBERT



Bettina is the 4th generation Italian Greyhound of Fiona's to gain her ET.

Fiona wanted to say "Thanks for today great organisation, lots of hard work".

Congratulations!

CONGRATULATIONS

RACHAEL & NUGGET HIGGINSON



Also on Sunday 7th July, Rachael and Nugget took part in the club's Endurance Test held at Lake Guthridge in Sale.

Pictured here is one very tired pupper after his 20kms.

Super effort!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

MEAGAN BROWN, MEG RYAN & ROGUE



Meagan always seems up for a challenge and felt like jogging another Endurance Test to add to her record.

Meagan competed with Meg's boy Rogue to gain his Endurance Test Title.

This is Meagan's 3rd Endurance Test!

Top result!!!

VALE CHARLIE

"Galahad RN ThD"

21 October 2010 to 7 July 2019

Charlie came into Pat's life after her husband passed in 2008. Pat had never had a dog as a pet. Her husband was brought up with the understanding that dogs were for working. He said when he passed that he wanted Pat to have a dog and that was how Charlie came to be Pat's companion and best mate for over 8 years.



Pat and Charlie started at club in 2010.

In 2011 they were voted by the club's instructors for the club's annual awards to receive the Encouragement award that year.

In 2015 Pat and Charlie entered into their first trials competing in Rally Obedience for the Annual June Queens Birthday long weekend. They received two passes at EGDOD and two passes at Bairnsdale. At 90 years of age this dynamic duo gained their Rally Novice title.



In March of 2015 Pat was presented with an Honorary Membership for the club. Pat has been a valued member of the club for several years and has always put her hand up to help out with activities and trials at the club. This honour would have never come about if Charlie hadn't been attending training.

Then in 2018 after many Therapy dogs visits Pat and Charlie were recognised by the club and awarded their Therapy Dog certificate.



Charlie will be sadly missed most of all by Pat but also by everyone at EGDOC. These two have been a formidable team selling many raffle tickets together at club and with Charlie always scoring a few extra pats and treats from fellow club members.





WITH THE YEAR HALF OVER ALREADY, IT IS A GOOD TIME TO REMIND PEOPLE ABOUT THE END OF YEAR PRESENTATIONS.

Frank keeps track of pass scores and titles gained throughout the year. This list is then used to tally up how many medallions will be required at the end of year presentations. This also helps figure out who gets the various annual plaques and to update the titles boards in the clubrooms.

Frank asks those who gain passes and titles to send him a quick note so he can keep his list up to date. As some people may prefer not to be included in this sort of recognition, which is entirely their choice, he does not record any results if he receives nothing. It is better for everyone to send their results as they go along rather than waiting until the last minute when the list is ready to go to the engravers and would then require last minute changes.

For those who would like to receive this recognition, Frank needs to receive:

- ⇒ Your name
- ⇒ Your dog's name (some people are trialling more than one dog)
- ⇒ The date of your pass
- ⇒ Your dog's breed (if you have not sent that to him before)
- ⇒ What your pass was in and the placing or score as applicable.

**** If you gained a title, be sure to include that as well.*



RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW FOR THIS EPIC EVENT!!!

EGDOC Inc CHARITY NIGHT BINGO - Sale Greyhound Racing Club

MONDAY 7th OCTOBER 2019

Eyes down 7:30pm (please arrive 7:15pm)

To book your seat please contact Natalie: 0407 842 532 or egdoc.mo@hotmail.com

***** DONATIONS FROM CLUB MEMBERS FOR THE RAFFLE NOW BEING TAKEN *****

PLEASE NOTE: In newsletter #65 - July edition of 'Scratch and Sniff' under the heading 'Faces & Roles around club' on page 5. It was missed that Willy Lucas and Daisy also hold the role, Therapy Dogs.



The club provides a range of Black Dog products to assist with training.
When purchasing through the club you receive the items at a better price than purchasing direct, as well as the club receiving some funds.

COMBO DEAL - \$50

**BlackDog Wear-Treat Tote &
Double Ended OR Smart Lead**

The club offers a range of products by BlackDog Wear (An Australian Company) to help members with all their training needs.



REMINDERS for 2019 & some House keeping

- * Wear your name tag
- * Sign the attendance book
- * Pick up after your dog
- * Give space to dogs wearing yellow bandanas
- ***** Help out in any way you can by helping fill water buckets & placing around the club, hang name tag board up, place sign in book on trolley out near name tag board, unlock the toilets & check fridges have stock of drinks.
- Tea and Coffee is free for members; all that is asked is that you clean up after yourself. So please feel free to stay after classes and "have a cuppa".
- Soft drinks and bottles of water in the fridge are \$1 ea. There is a money tin in the fridge. This runs on an honour system.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO. . . Spread the word about our club!!!!

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

YELLOW BANDANAS AT CLUB

If you see any dogs at club wearing a yellow bandana, please **GIVE THIS DOG SPACE.**

The dog may be scared or nervous around other dogs and just requires some space so please respect this.

ALSO, before approaching other dogs at club with your dog please ask the owner if it is ok to approach.

IF a dog is tied up to a fence without the owner near please keep clear of the dog.

ALWAYS watch what your dog is doing at club, although club is a great place to stop and chat keep an eye on your dog at all times (this cannot be expressed enough)



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EGDOC Inc. SUNDAY CLASS TIMETABLE - 28th July 2019

8:45 - 9:00am	SETTING UP OF CLUBROOMS & EQUIPMENT				
9:00 - 9:15am	CLUB NEWS & UPDATES TALK - 15 Minutes				
9:15 - 10:00am (45 minutes)	OBEDIENCE BEG 1 _____ By Clubrooms	OBEDIENCE BEG 2 _____ By Clubrooms	OBEDIENCE GRADE 1 _____ On Velodrome	OBEDIENCE GRADE 2 _____ On Velodrome	RALLY OBEDIENCE NOVICE _____ On Velodrome
10:00 - 10:15am	BREAK - 15 Minutes				
10:15 - 11:00am (45 minutes)	OBEDIENCE TRIALLEERS _____ On Velodrome		AGILITY & JUMPING _____ On Velodrome		
11:00am	PACKING UP EQUIPMENT				