



SCRATCH 'N' SNIFF

Issue 64 – JUNE 2019

CLUB ESTABLISHED: 1979 - VCA AFFILIATED: 1986

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 9th June 2019

NO CLASSES

**JUNE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY OBEDIENCE
AND RALLY OBEDIENCE TRIAL.**

Sunday 7th July 2019

9TH ENDURANCE TEST

Monday 7th Oct 2019

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

*** 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.

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

AGM President's Report 2018-2019

It has been my honour and a privilege to have been the president of the EGDOC for this past year.

A ship of state needs more than someone at the helm steering through what at times can be perillous waters, but it relies on a group of dedicated people manning the oars and pitching in to help propel the club in its journey through the year. The seas proved to have been fairly calm this year, which has made the job of the Committee that much easier.

We continue to bring in high numbers of new members each month, which has given our instructors the chance to help people with the problems they may have been having with their pets.

We have added new instructors this year, some of whom have come off their L tags and others are nearing their turn to be let off the leash. This band of dedicated instructors continues to perform in a very professional way, and they do our club proud.

We have continued to see members competing in Obedience, many who are closing in on that elusive first title. Rally continues to be a strong contingent within the club, and pass numbers are still creeping up. There are new people competing in Agility recently, and their successes are beginning to come in. We began recognizing those competing in Tracking last year, and some passes have already been gained this year.



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The small but very dedicated group within the Therapy Dogs part of the club have finally begun to be recognised by outside sources. The demand for their visits has steadily increased, and they have received some grants in the way of money and even a vehicle at times to help them go farther afield.



The biggest project taken on by the club in some time began to take shape this year. The expanding of the clubrooms will result in a vastly better area to be used for a wide variety of things. Many thanks are owed by the members of this club to a small number of people who have pitched in to help where needed in removing the old interior walls and generally prepare the area for the various tradesmen that are required to bring the project to fruition. Special thanks are extended to the following people in particular: Peter and Gail Lopez for their work on several areas of the extension, Emily Hunt for her work on preparing the

submissions for the various grants that have brought in the funds needed for the project, and most especially to Natalie Brown for her untiring work on bringing all of the various contractors and workers together to complete everything. Natalie has taken on this project as her "baby", and has really run with it. After some of the calls and texts she has sent me over the past few months, I think the "discomfort" of her having a real baby was far easier than what she has been going through in delivering this outcome.

I say well done to all of the people who helped make this past year progress smoothly. Rather than staying with the nautical theme in my opening remarks, I will simply change horses in mid stream and hand over the reins of the club to the new incoming President; and I wish them all the help and support I received this past year.

Frank Vanatta



Thank you Ana Butcher for the photo contribution of the 2019 AGM



AGM 2019 - Wrap Up

On Sunday 19th May the club held its Annual General Meeting. Thank you all who attended. Thank you to those who helped out in the running of the club and took up positions in 2018.

Thank you to those who have taken on positions in 2019!

OFFICE BEARERS, COMMITTEE & MISCELLANEOUS DUTIES 2019 / 20

President:	Vickie Green	Vice President:	Julie Lovell
Secretary:	Natalie Brown	Treasurer:	Callum Dean
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	Paula Laidlaw	Frank Vanatta	
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Club awards:	Frank Vanatta	Fundraising:	Pam Darby
Webmaster:	Phil Miller	Grievance Officer:	Meg Ryan
ThD Finance:	TBA		

CONGRATULATIONS

MEG & DIGGER RYAN



Photo by Amanda Murcutt

On Sunday 19th May 2019 several of our club members headed a huge distance to compete..... in Stratford at the agility trials.

Meg and Digger must have had wings on that day as they gained a pass in Novice Jumping with a 1st place.

Great team work

CONGRATULATIONS

SUE & PIP BRYANT

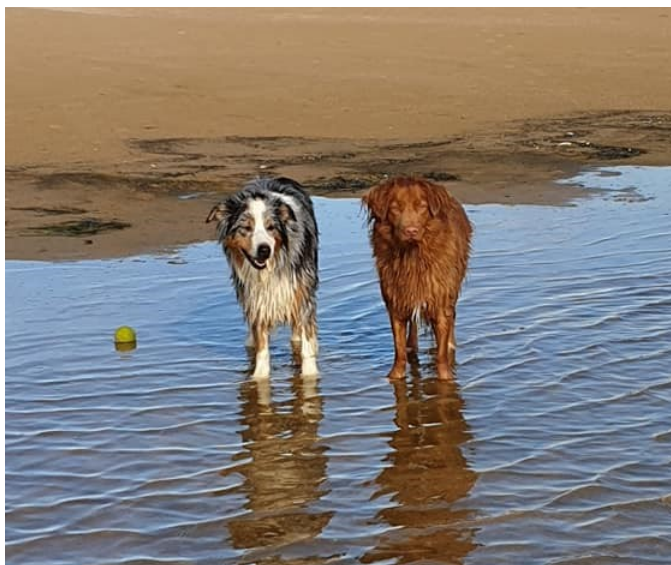


Sue and Pip were over the moon to see all their hard work in training come together to receive their first pass in Novice Jumping receiving 3rd place!

**Awesome work Sue & Pip,
keep up the fantastic
team work!!!**

CONGRATULATIONS

JANICE & DECOY VANATTA



Back in April at the Border Collie trial Decoy got an excellent jumping pass.

And on Monday 13th May celebrated his 5th (35th in dog years) Birthday. He was lucky enough to get a run and swim at the beach on a nice sunny day with his sister Snickers.

Also on Sunday 19th May at the Stratford Agility trial this pair were on fire and gained two passes in Excellent Jumping. Their first run got them a pass and a second place. They then decided to get some more ribbons by gaining a first place and their title. These passes now mean they have their

EXCELLENT JUMPING TITLE

**Terrific work
Team Vanatta**

CONGRATULATIONS

MEAGAN, ELSA & LUNA BROWN



On Saturday the 4th of May 2019 the Brown's headed off to the Hungarian Vizsla Club of Victoria's trial in Melbourne.

Elsa got her first Novice Jumping pass and 1st Place. Elsa was flying in jumping, her time was 20 seconds, the course time was 40 seconds, not bad for a golden retriever.

Luna got her first CCD pass and 3rd place in her first CCD Trial.

Meagan loves her girls and is so proud of her golden girls!

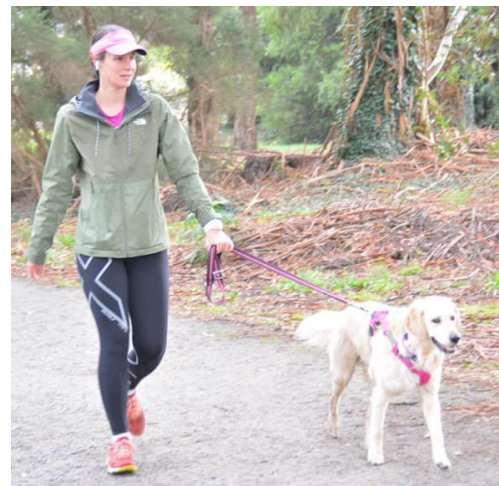
These two are proving blondes do have more fun and get the passes!!!

Top job



Then on Saturday 11th May Elsa tootled off to Frankston to gain her second Novice Jumping pass with a second place!!! She was also probably the only dog at the trial to do parkrun on the way!

**All the training and hard work is making these teams come together,
Keep up the wonderful achievements!**



CONGRATULATIONS

MARIBETH, HANSEL & GRETEL MURPHY



On Saturday 11th May 2019 at a trial held by Knox Obedience Dog Club, Hansel passed his Tracking Test 8 at Ballarat to gain his **TRACKING CHAMPION** title.

Not to be completely outdone by her brother Gretel passed her Track and Search Test 4 a week earlier on Friday 3rd May at a trial held by Bendigo Obedience Dog Club.

Super work by the Murphy Gang,

Well done!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

LU, RALPH & DAX CORNWELL



This year Ralph (JENUIN RALPH RN) has gained one pass in obedience - Community Companion Dog at Croydon, and one pass in Rally Advance at Berwick.

Dax (GIDAY FAIR DINKUM DAX) has passed Tracking Test 1 at Knox Tracking Trial - Haddon.

**Fantastic passes,
Congratulations!!!**



NORA the EXPLORER

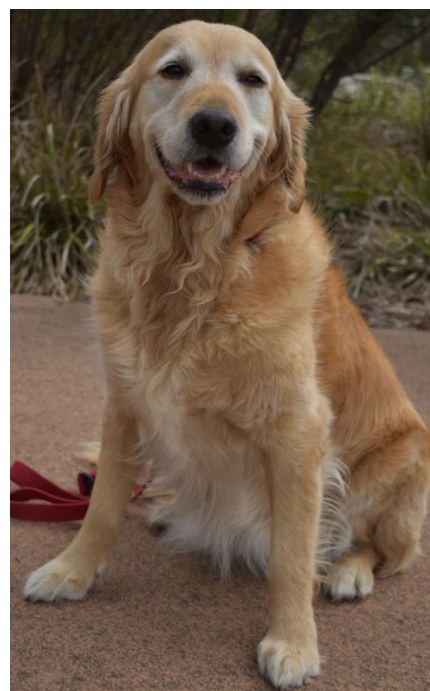


Nora is loved by Life Member, Pam Darby. Thank you to Pam for allowing us to share their story.

After the loss of Pam's beloved Bella it took some time for her to be ready for another dog, then this little ray of sunshine appeared and has been making us all laugh with her antics in the obedience ring ever since.

Pam bought Nora from Banksia Park puppies in 2015 as a 4 1/2 year old. She was a breeding dog and was known as Elanora (Nora for short). Pam and Nora had there work cut out for them as Nora hadn't had a lot of exposure to 'life'. To begin with she was scared of bells on the door at her vets and also the automatic sliding door.

Now nearly 4 years on after a lot of love and time, she is a happy social dog who loves people and other dogs and is known as the clown at EGDOD Inc. Pam and Nora are currently trialling in obedience and is also one of the club's valued Therapy Dogs.



OBEDIENCE STEWARD TRAINING WITH ESTEEMED JUDGE CLIVE MAKEPEACE



On Saturday 18th May 2019 Clive and Pam Makepeace travelled down to our little country town to offer some wonderful and insightful information on being a steward in an Obedience ring.

Clive and Pam offered very informative information in regards to all levels of Obedience and what the role of the steward is for each level.

The day was attended by 16 people. It was great to see not only members of our club but from Gippsland Dog Obedience Club (Morwell) and Bairnsdale and District Dog Obedience Club.

Thank you to everyone who came along to learn something new or to refresh their skills.

A special thanks to Julie Lovell for providing the catering.

Clive said "Thanks for the day, thoroughly enjoyed it."

As always we appreciate the time Clive and Pam gave to our club in order to help us better run our trials.



**Our ring dog "Flair" provided us with plenty of
entertainment for the day**





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 &
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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)



In Newsletter edition # 63, May 2019 we introduced you to “WHAT IS A KONG?”

THIS TIME ROUND WE'D LIKE TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE DIFFERENT CHEW LEVELS OF KONG AND HOW TO CARE FOR THEM.

There are 4 Chewer Levels available: All these Kongs are great for stuffing.



BABY Puppy Rubber - Soft pink and blue rubber formulated to ease teething pain

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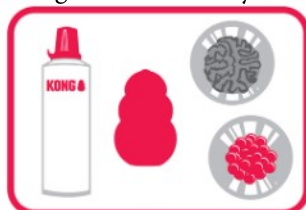
AGING CHEWER Senior Rubber - Soft purple rubber formulated to provide a comfortable chewing outlet for aging teeth and gums

Enrichment; Satisfies specific chewing needs for dogs that have reached their more dignified years

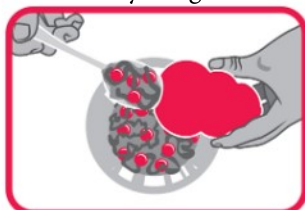
Play; Unpredictable bounce for more mature games of fetch



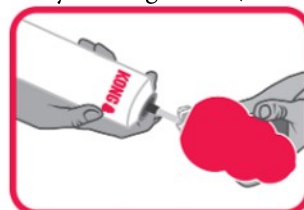
Stuffing a KONG is easy. You can stuff anything that is safe for your dog to eat (in healthy amounts) into their KONG.



Mix



Fill



Seal



Give

Bonus: For an added challenge, freeze KONG for 4-6 hours before giving to your dog.

How to Clean a KONG

(For humans, dogs already know how)



Soak in warm water with dish soap to loosen leftovers



Use bottle brush or old toothbrush to remove stubborn bits inside, rinse



Or, wash in top rack of dishwasher



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- Eliminates water play
- Perfect for tradesmen utes
- Keeps water cool and clean



Members of the Therapy Dog Group on a visit to Laurina Lodge in Heyfield in April. Thank you to those involved with this group your great work is appreciated! Photo sent in by Pam Darby





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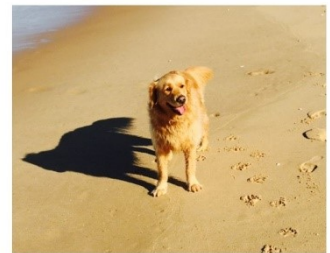
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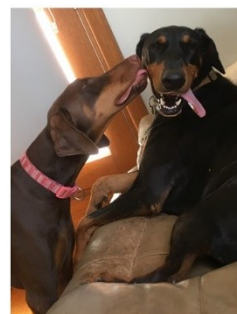
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