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## **SCRATCH 'N' SNIFF**

East Gippsland Dog Obedience Club Inc.

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#### **EDITORS WELCOME**



Here's a big welcome to the new Newsletter Editor, Paula Laidlaw. Hopefully I can fulfil the needs of our well-loved club.

My hope for the future of this club newsletter, is to uphold our club integrity, and to also provide helpful information for members. Plus, lots of encouragement, to those who are just starting out with us, and those who have been with us for numerous years. A place where we can share information, in all aspects of our 4-legged friends.

Any input from all members alike, is welcome to be added into the newsletter. Whether it be, achievements, jokes corner, any activities and upcoming events.

Some of the things I would like to also include in the newsletter, would be a member's profile. This would include an interview with members, on where they have come from. Where they plan to be, what helped them decide to join our club. Their plans and goals, whether it be a well-trained pet, or going on to trialling.

So, in saying all this, this club is our club. And we can all help and learn from each other. Looking forward to an exciting time!

Please send any input for the newsletter to the e-mail address below.

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## **AGILITY AND JUMPING TRIAL**

As we all know we held our Agility and Jumping trial on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October 2018.

It was great to see all the competitors and dogs doing what they do best. There were quite a few passes, and fun had by everyone.

With special thanks to everyone involved in the running of this trial, as there is a lot of preparation etc that goes on behind the scenes. With a special thanks to our judges who took their time to come to this event for us.







#### **LIFE MEMBERS:**

1984 Val Karpys - 1987 Mike White - 1987 Karen White

1989 Janice Vanatta - 1989 Mavis Weymouth - 1990 Rob Williams

1990 Carol Williams - 1994 Rex White - 1994 Jo Morgan

1998 Joan Kingshot - 2000 Alicia Larsen - 2011 Lynne Rapson

2011 Kathy Vernon - 2011 Peter McMaster - 2001 Willy Lucas

2000 Fiona Gilbert - 2011 Beryl Walden - 2012 Sue Bryant

2012 Natalie Brown (Evans) - 2012 Frank Vanatta - 2018 Pam Darby

2018 Vickie Green



#### ON OFFER

Here at East Gippsland Dog Obedience Club Inc, we have a range of activities on offer.

Obedience – we cover obedience, from basic, (to those who just want a well-trained pet). To extensive, (those who are interested in trialling, or in other words competitions. If you're interested in competing, please talk to your instructor.

Rally – is a form of obedience, with different rules and regulations. Same as above, if interested in Rally, please see your instructor.

Agility – is a fast-paced sport that requires a different form of training. Any interest, please see instructor.

All these forms of dog sport are a lot of fun, and very rewarding in every way. To see our dogs having fun, to see how they progress from week to week.

To all those competing, already we wish you all the best of luck!

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

#### **JANICE VANATTA AND DECOY (TEAM VANATTA)**

Decoy put his best foot forward at our October Agility and Jumping trials to gain passes in Excellent Jumping and Novice Agility. He had only been home from his holiday at the kennels for a week, so we had not much time to prepare for the event.

In true Decoy style he did his best, and enjoyed playing in the ring. Many thanks to the club for running such a great trial.



#### **REMINDERS for 2018 & 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!

### DID YOU KNOW....

That the green dog poo bin near the gate as you enter the velodrome was placed there by council.

WHAT YOU MAY NOT KNOW is that it is the club's responsibility to arrange for the bin to be emptied. This not so rosey smelling task is carried out by members of the club.

Also, the black plastic poo bags that are available from the bin are mainly paid for and provided by the club for public use, with the Council providing rolls as they can. So, if you can please bring you own bags along it could help so save the club some money.

The club is lucky enough to have our wheelie bin that the poo bin gets emptied into collected and emptied for free by Handy Bins

#### **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).



#### **BREAK - UP FUN DAY**

We are holding our break up fun day on the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018. There will be no classes.

Please come ready to have some fun with your 4 legged friends.



- Prizes for Best Dressed Dogs &/or Owners
- Club awards will be presented

#### BBQ Lunch provided by the club

- Raffle to be drawn
  - PLEASE bring a plate to share



#### CLUB CHRISTMAS BREAK UP

SUNDAY 9th DECEMBER
Fun start at 9:30am
with Best Dressed to be judged at 9:45am

#### **END OF YEAR AWARDS**

This is a reminder for those who wish to have their trialling accomplishments over the year recognised in our end of year awards.

Anyone interested in this needs to have their passes, and titles gained during this year 2018 sent to our President Frank Vanatta by the 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

If anyone is trialling on the weekend of the 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> November, Frank will accept their results no later than the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018, but need everyone else's results before then. So there is time to get medallions, and plaques ordered and engraved in time for the end of year function, which is mentioned above.

# OF DEATHS IN DOGS AND CATS

# Did you know?

# 1 in 3 cats and 1 in 10 dogs will develop chronic kidney disease!

At Gippsland Veterinary Hospital we have a new kidney function test for dogs and cats, SDMA, that can detect chronic renal disease months or even years earlier than was previously possible!



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