



# SCRATCH 'N' SNIFF

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## PARALYSIS TICKS IN WELLINGTON SHIRE - LONGFORD VETERINARY CENTRE

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**SATURDAY 14TH &  
SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2017**

- Agility & Jumping Trial

**SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2017**

- Christmas Break up

**SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2018**

- First Sunday for Club in 2018



As the weather warms up we are coming into tick season. The tick that causes us problems locally is the southern paralysis tick, *Ixodes cornuatus*. This tick occurs throughout the shire but our 'hot spots' are Paradise Beach and Golden Beach. Basically if your visiting anywhere from Longford back to the coast your pet should be on year round tick prevention. At Longford Veterinary Centre we treat several cases of dogs affected by tick paralysis every year.

The paralysis tick feeds on the blood of the pet and its' saliva is a toxin. The tick toxin causes an ascending paralysis, which means paralysis starts in the back legs and moves upwards. This may eventually cause death due to paralysis of the respiratory muscles.

Tick paralysis can be treated successfully if you realise that your dog is affected early enough. We provide intravenous fluids, various supportive therapies and treat with tick antiserum (similar to the concept of treating snake bite with anti-venom).

It is far better to have dogs on prevention. There are several options however we favour the monthly or 3 monthly tablets as these are waterproof and hence ideal for dogs going to the beach!

It is possible to still find ticks on dogs on some tick preventative products- the tick attaches, feeds and then dies. The dead ticks can be easily removed as opposed to live ticks. If you find a tick and your pet is not on prevention we recommend you give us a call immediately.

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# TRIVIA NIGHT



Table 2 Winners are Grinners: Gail, Frank, Callum, Tara, Ana, Jess, Natalie, Janice, Vickie and Animal Aid Fulham Manager, Debby Goddard (missing from photo, Julie)

On Saturday 23rd September Animal Aid Sale/Fulham held a Trivia Night at the Maffra Community Sports Club. It was set to be an enjoyable night of trivia, silent auctions, games and much more!

Some members of EGDOC Inc joined in to help make up a table of 10 for the night. There was lots of laughter and smiles and everyone that attend the night had a fantastic time. To top off the night Table 2 which had members of EGDOC Inc claimed the win.

Table 2 was awarded a winning prize of \$150 cash and a beautiful chocolate hamper. Amongst the table it was decided that the \$150 cash prize would be donated back to Animal Aid and the chocolate hamper went up for auction receiving a winning bid of \$110. With a wonderful donation of \$260 back to Animal Aid Debby Goddard, Manager of Fulham Animal Aid said "the donation was greatly appreciated and received and the funds would be staying at Animal Aid Fulham".

This is a yearly event so keep your eyes out for next year!



# **CONGRATULATIONS**

## **DECOY & JANICE VANATTA**



On August 26<sup>th</sup>, Decoy and Janice travelled to Hastings to compete in an Agility trial. They had three runs in the Novice Jumping ring and managed two passes with just one rail down in their third run. That brings them to four jumping passes. They are hoping that they can be lucky enough to get that fifth pass, and title, at their home ground this month!

# **CONGRATULATIONS**

## **CASH & JULIE LOVELL**



Cash and Julie recently took part in the Ballarat Dog Club's Open Tracking Trial, held on Monday 11th September. Their track was in the bush and quite thick under foot. Both are really enjoying the sport, but this was the last trial of the year so they will have to wait until next season for that third pass and title. Cash passed track 2 with a grading of good.

**Well done to Cash and Julie.**

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## GRETEL & MARIBETH MURPHY



Gretel and Maribeth recently gained two titles in one weekend. On Sunday 10th September at Northern Obedience Dog Club they gained their Rally Advanced-Excellent (RAE) title with her fifth and final double pass - Advanced B with a 4th place and Excellent B with a 2nd place Then to follow that achievement up on Monday 11th September Gretel and Maribeth got their Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX) title at Ballarat with a good rating.

These two can only get stronger as a team and we look forward to seeing what else they can achieve before the end of 2017!



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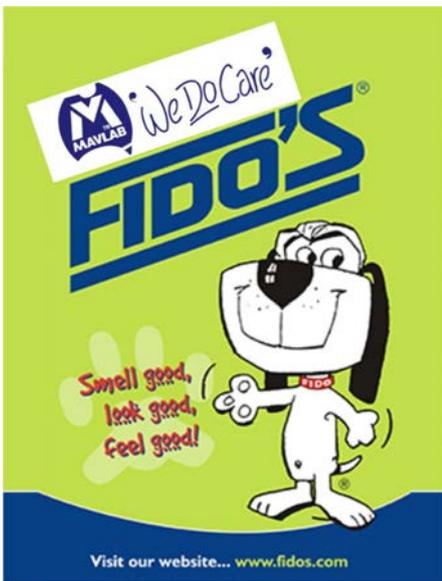
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