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Showing just how versatile a Toller can be, Pip retrieves Sue's fallen arm band and still continues her run at the Hasting's Agility trial on Saturday 24th August 2019.

No pass, but their best jumping moment ever. Thanks to Renee Patten "Images by Renee" for capturing the moment!

Its starting to feel like we need to rename club to the 'Golden Retriever' Club. Currently the club has the highest number of Golden Retrievers in years with 13 actively participating in either General Obedience, Therapy Dogs, Agility or Competition Obedience. Some club members are greedy and have 2 of these

## Golden Beauties!!!



Faye's suggestion of more working dog breeds was received with lots of laughter


Best guess, Vickie has treats!!!!!
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# VALE KODA "Skoda Nujaela" ET ThD 12th January 2006-10th August 2019 

Well there comes a time that as a newsletter editor I am bound to do one of these for my dogs. On Saturday 10th August 2019 I had to say a sad and tearful farewell to my best mate , my beautiful Koda bubba. Just over 13 and a half years doesn't seem long enough. This beautiful soul brought so much joy to my heart and helped me through some of my darkest days.


I can honestly say that if it wasn't for the love I received from my girl I wouldn't be here today. Koda helped me survive and be strong after suffering severe depression and anxiety, she was my 'Therapy Dog'. She was the only reason I would get up on a Sunday morning and come along to club.

Through the club Koda and I were lucky enough to be recognised and tested by Dogs Victoria to gain our Therapy Dog Title. Koda was the last original Therapy Dog from EGODC Inc tested by Dogs Victoria. In 2009 we also gained our first title together by completing the club's Endurance Test.

When I was working in a nursing home, Koda came to work on a Thursday, for the morning. She visited as many residents as she could. We had one gentlemen that waited at the front door for us
 to arrive and Koda would happily head off with him and do a few laps of the facility. Another resident had a fantastic stash of dog treats hidden in her wardrobe especially for Koda when she came to visit. Koda coming to work with me help me to gain some confidence back.

Over the years Koda always knew when it was Sunday and would always get super excited for the walk or drive to dog club. Most of the time she would sing the song of her people about it! That excited barking never stopped. Even when her sight was fading and her hearing was gone she still could carry a tune. It is so quiet when I arrive home now and she isn't there telling me about her day a soon as I pull up.

Koda is like the end of an era for hubby and I. Her and his dog Clyde were our first kids. We sadly lost Clyde 4 years ago but I know these two terrors will now be playing ball together over that rainbow bridge. Hubby had my engagement ring tied around Koda's neck with a red satin ribbon when he proposed. Koda and Clyde played big parts at our wedding with Koda being our ring bearer and Clyde being our best man.



Koda once again took on the role as big sister to our son Toby. In the last few years Toby had claimed that Koda was 'his dog' and being the cruisy dog that she is accepted it. She took great responsibility in teaching Toby how to treat a dog and what he can and can't do with dogs. She
 also taught him the great skill of throwing toys for her.
Soon after the arrival of Toby, Koda took our girl Meg, a German Shorthaired Pointer under her wing and showed her how great of a family we were to be apart of. At the age of 11 we think we made Koda go greyer even quicker with the arrival of Mack our Hungarian Vizsla.


The best thing about all the time we did spend together is the amount of wonderful and precious memories I have of her. I appreciate technology that bit more having lots of photo and videos of Koda so that when or if I do ever forget I can look back.

I have fifty million stories about how awesome a dog Koda was and I am sure tears will flow down my cheeks for a long time to come. My bubba girl, I miss you so much. I will be forever thankful for you choosing me all those years ago and the special times we had and spent together. Take care black dog, one day I will throw your favourite green ball for you again!!! xoxoxox


## CONGRATULATIONS

## MEAGAN \& LUNA BROWN



On Saturday 4th August at the State Obedience trial Luna and Meagan gained 2 CCD passes and which gave the their Community Companion Dog title.

At the Bairnsdale Agility Trial in Novice Jumping they gained their first pass with a 1st Place in 500 height.

At the recent Hastings Agility Trial on Saturday 24th August they competed in Novice Jumping and received a pass.


## Such great results for such a hard



## CONGRATULATIONS

## MEAGAN \& ELSA BROWN



Not to be outdone by her sister, Elsa set out with Meagan at the Bairnsdale Agility trial to gain 2 novice jumping passes with $2 \times 1$ st places in the 600 height.

At the Western Port Obedience trial on Saturday 17th August Elsa dumped her mum and took Meg Ryan into the ring to gain her final CCD pass and receive her Community Companion Dog title.


Awesome work team Brown!

## MINNIE BROWN

It's not quiet passes and titles for this younger sibling (yet) and we can't leave her out of the newsletter! This little fire cracker with a zest for life celebrated her 1st Birthday on Wednesday 14th August 2019.


## CONGRATULATIONS

## STEVE \& NESSIE REASON



## Congratulations Steve

 and Nessie on your title!At the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Victoria Inc (SSCV) (Restricted to Breed Obedience and Rally O trial) at the Moorabbin Obedience Dog Club. Nessie and Steve finally managed to gain their long worked for and awaited third Community Companion Dog - CCD - pass and their title.

At the trial they also received the "Cathie Beckoff Memorial Trophy". Nessie and Steve received first place with a non qualifying score in Rally Advance A. With their placing they received T \& S dog beds and a couple of packets of Clear Dog Treats.

To top it off Nessie's raffle ticket was drawn. She won a very nice gold embossed (with the SSCV) emblem wine carafe and two glasses - exactly what Steve needed to celebrate the end of a long day.

## CONGRATULATIONS MARIBETH \& SCARLETT MURPHY



Scarlett with the help of Maribeth got her TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent) Title at Inverleigh on Monday 12 August.
The previous weekend they received their first pass in Novice Obedience with a 3rd place.

Then on Sunday 25th August they received their very first pass in Rally Advanced with a first place.

Well done on your title \& passes!


## CONGRATULATIONS <br> LU, RALPH \& DAX CORNWELL



At the Westernport trial on Saturday 17th August Ralph in Rally Obedience 2nd in Excellent. It was Ralph's 1st pass in Excellent.
Ralph got his Rally Advanced title at Broadmeadows ODC Rally trial on 23rd June. Ralph passed his tracking test 1 at TCV trial,

## Super efforts by Team Cornwell!



Also the Westernport trial Dax didn't want to be outdone by his brother so competed in Rally Novice gaining 2nd place.

This was Dax's 3rd pass in Novice which means he has gained his Rally Novice title.


It was almost like Noah's Ark with all these sets of pairs from EGDOC Inc competing and attending the Bairnsdale Agility Trial held on Saturday August 3rd and Sunday August 4th.

## SEEING YELLOW?



## Please avoid dogs wearing yellow. It doesn't matter why.

By the time you are close enough to read a jacket or lead sleeve, or ask the owner, you are probably too close.
Giving space costs nothing and can mean everything.

Thankyou!
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## PASSES <br> TITILES

Don't forget to keep handing your results to Frank who keeps track of pass scores and titles gained throughout the year.
Frank asks those who gain passes and titles to send him a quick note so he can keep his list up to date.
For those who would like to receive this recognition,
Frank needs to receive:
$\Rightarrow$ Your name
$\Rightarrow \quad$ Your dog's name (some people are trialling more than one $\operatorname{dog}$ )
$\Rightarrow \quad$ The date of your pass
$\Rightarrow \quad$ Your dog's breed (if you have not sent that to him before)
$\Rightarrow$ What your pass was in and the placing or score as applicable.
*** If you gained a title, be sure to include that


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)
*** A list for those wanting to attend is near the sign in book at club


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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| 9:00-9:15am | CLUB NEWS \& UPDATES TALK - 15 Minutes |  |  |  |  |
| 9:15-10:00am <br> (45 minutes) | OBEDIENCE <br> BEG 1 $\qquad$ By Clubrooms | OBEDIENCE <br> BEG 2 $\qquad$ By Clubrooms | OBEDIENCE <br> GRADE 1 $\qquad$ On Velodrome | OBEDIENCE <br> GRADE 2 $\qquad$ On Velodrome | RALLY OBEDIENCE NOVICE $\qquad$ On Velodrome |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { 10:00 - } \\ \text { 10:15am } \end{gathered}$ | BREAK - 15 Minutes |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { 10:15 - } \\ \text { 11:00am } \\ \text { (45 minutes) } \end{gathered}$ | OBEDIENCE <br> TRIALLERS $\qquad$ |  | AGILITY \& JUMPING |  |  |
| 11:00am | PACKING UP EQUIPMENT |  |  |  |  |

