



Newsletter

February 2020 – April 2020

A little bit of insight into what our instructors and their dogs get up to outside of the club.

This newsletter - Donna Gray and her English Mastiffs Tyson and Xena (litter brother and sister - 3 years old).

We thought we would tell you all what we do away from Caboolture Sports dog obedience Club. This is beside living at home with a family of 6 adults and one other canine friend Keira.

Our human mum Donna (who you may know as an instructor for Class 3 usually) and also see her with Xena in Class 5, joined us with Delta Pet therapy. We went through very stringent assessments and we will tell you that all our obedience training paid off. We both passed on the assessment day despite a lot of our poochy friends not passing. (Sadly).

I (Tyson) have been visiting a nursing facility for a year and Xena goes to it sometimes. Now Xena goes Monday's to another nursing facility and I (Tyson) go every Friday. We both get excited to go, if you know us both at dog obedience classes we don't get very excited.

Our human mum Donna loads us in the van and we go to these very nice places that look a bit like home however there is lots of very appreciative people living there that call us beautiful names and love to pat and hug us. The staff that work there, the residents and their visitors all love us visiting. There are plenty of smiles.



Our mum says that all our obedience training has helped us with our visits as most days we go, someone wants to have their photo taken with us, we get told to stand and stay and then our mum takes the photo of whoever wants their photo taken with us. We are both glad we are so well behaved. The lovely people tell us we are so clever. Sometimes our mum lets the residents give us treats for our hard work. Mum always tells us that we are going to "work" but it really isn't work when so many people love you.

This is a photo of us.



NOTICEBOARD

Upcoming Events

- **3rd February 2020** - First Intake for Basic Obedience Course for the year- Bookings Essential for everyone - Email: admin@caboolturedogobedience.com.au
- **11th February** - Monthly General Meeting - 7.30pm - Agenda Items to be in 14 Days prior
- **15th February** - Double Agility and Jumpers Trial (Help needed)
- **23rd February** - Pet First Aid Course - Limited Numbers - email Tracy at admin@caboolturedogobedience.com.au for more details
- **24th February** - Graduation for classes 2, 3 and 4
- **2nd March** - Intake for Basic Obedience Course - Bookings Essential for everyone - Email: admin@caboolturedogobedience.com.au
- **7th March** – Double Rally Obedience Trial and Single Obedience Trial (Help Needed)
- **10th March** - Monthly General Meeting - 7.30pm - Agenda Items to be in 14 Days prior
- **30th March** - Graduation for classes 2, 3 and 4
- **6th April** - Intake for Basic Obedience Course - Bookings Essential for everyone - Email: admin@caboolturedogobedience.com.au
- **13th April** – EASTER MONDAY – NO TRAINING
- **14th April** - Monthly General Meeting - 7.30pm - Agenda Items to be in 14 Days prior
- **27TH April** - Graduation for classes 2, 3 and 4
- **4th May** - Intake for Basic Obedience Course - Bookings Essential for everyone - Email: admin@caboolturedogobedience.com.au
- **12th May** - Monthly General Meeting - 7.30pm - Agenda Items to be in 14 Days prior

We have a wide range of club clothing available to purchase.

Club Jackets \$95 (Heavy)

Club Jackets \$40 (Light)

Club T-Shirts \$30

Club Caps \$15

We also have a large range of training aids such as check chains, haltis, leads, dumbbells, Vasques collars, and more.



The Clubs Committee for 2019 - 2020

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| PRESIDENT: | Mary Waldon | 0404052519 |
| VICE-PRESIDENT: | Fiona Lester | |
| SECRETARY: | Sue Gibson | |
| TREASURER: | Lesley Affleck | |
| COMMITTEE MEMBERS: | Bruce Bowers | |
| | Kay Hutt | |
| | Daphne Sellwood | |
| | Chris Pain | |
| ADMIN OFFICER: | Tracy Dreyer | 0450902520 |
| TRIAL SECRETARY: | Tracy Dreyer | 0450902520 |



Wet weather information

In case of **extremely wet weather** all classes except classes 1 and 2 (Beginners classes) will be cancelled. Classes 1 and 2 will only be cancelled if it is too dangerous to drive.

Class 1(first 4 weeks of beginners training) will be at 7pm and Class 2 (second 4 weeks of beginners training and all in class 2) will be at 7.45pm

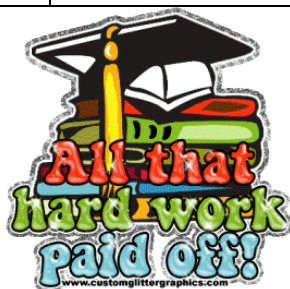
You can check out Facebook, our website (green scrolling box on the left at the bottom of the page) or you can phone 0450902520 or 0404052519 after 6pm to find out. **Please remember if we do not answer the phone you will need to keep ringing back as we will not be returning calls on a Monday night.**

Please make sure if using a laptop or desktop you press F5 to update your screen or if using an apple or android phone delete your browsing history before looking at the website.

You will find the information on the home page on the left near the bottom in the scrolling box.

Class Graduations “Congratulations”

| Name | Dogs Name | From Class | To Class |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------|----------|
| October 2019 | | | |
| Liz Carter | Elsa | 2 | 3 |
| Scott Harding | Harry | 2 | 3 |
| David King | Beer | 2 | 3 |
| Eliza Jones | Joon | 2 | 3 |
| David Barnes | Georgie | 2 | 3 |
| Michelle Tyndall | Sasha | 2 | 3 |
| Selena Sadler | Millie | 2 | 3 |
| Sophie Hartley | Felix | 2 | 3 |
| Carrissa Roberson | Luna | 2 | 3 |
| Alan Hansen | Lucy | 2 | 3 |
| Grahame Ledwidge | Licorice | 2 | 3 |
| Alina Runcan | Luna | 2 | 3 |
| Sue chapman | Winston | 2 | 3 |
| Karel Jansen VanVuwen | Coco | 2 | 3 |
| Matt Cunnold | Beau | 2 | 3 |
| Tanika Dymock | Raven | 2 | 3 |
| Cass Beecham | Tux | 3 | 4 |
| Ben Roxburgh | Boston | 3 | 4 |
| Graeme Symonds | Winnie | 3 | 4 |
| November 2019 | | | |
| Ken Ward | Scout | 2 | 3 |
| Karlita Peatey | Mulan | 2 | 3 |
| Craig Rugg | Arlo | 2 | 3 |
| Tim O’Sullivan | Link | 2 | 3 |
| Paige Dumble | Daisy | 2 | 3 |
| Laura Davis | Valhalla | 2 | 3 |
| Christine Howard | Willow | 2 | 3 |
| Angela McLachlan | Snow | 2 | 3 |
| Sharon Godber | Nero | 2 | 3 |
| Carol Lucas | Shadow | 2 | 3 |
| Joanna Oakden | Leila | 2 | 3 |
| Victoria Hicks | Jessi | 2 | 3 |
| Lesley Clark | Collin | 2 | 3 |
| Jason Grimsey | Chester | 2 | 3 |
| Marsha Muller | Abby | 2 | 3 |
| Sue Gibson | Isaak | 3 | 4 |
| MichelleTyndall | Sasha | 3 | 4 |
| Sue Chapman | Winston | 3 | 4 |
| Scott Harding | Harry | 3 | 4 |
| January 2020 | | | |
| Michael Klatt | Malt | 3 | 4 |
| Karlita Peatey | Mulan | 3 | 4 |
| Dennis Campbell | Mani | 3 | 4 |
| Christine Howard | Willow | 3 | 4 |
| Daphne Daniel | Molly | 3 | 4 |
| Leonie Maltman | Poppy | 4 | 5 |
| Lauren Stewart | Scout | 4 | 5 |
| Cass Beecham | Tux | 4 | 5 |



Training Nights:-

Monday night – General Public Night

Wednesday Night – Obedience & Rally Obedience Trial Training (Conditions Apply)

Thursday Night –Agility (Conditions Apply)

Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club is on Facebook
Like our page to get updates about wet weather and
other things going on in the club



Heard of **TOASTMASTERS?** why not

Come as a guest to a meeting.

What we do is get people over that fear of

Having to speak in public, in a fun atmosphere.

Google **TOASTMASTERS** and find a club near you.,

Caboolture, Bribie, wherever.

Thanks to our wonderful Sponsor



North Harbour
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A Training Class is not the place for your dog to learn,
a Training Class is a place to people to learn. A good dog
Trainer doesn't train dogs, a good Trainer teaches people
how to help their dogs.

Your dog will only improve if you do the work in
the environments your dog will experience,
no dog will improve if you only practice in class.

Go to a good class, ask the trainer questions,
so you are clear on what you need to do.

Listen to the trainer fully, the snippets of information
they give are important. Practice in class,
so your Trainer can see you have a good
understanding on how to help your dog's learning.

Then go and practise these skills every day in the real world.

Your dog learns best in the home, garden, car
and streets, beaches and fields, they learn in real life,
not just in a class situation.

YOU learn in class, this is YOUR education sessions.



Just for Laughs & Inspiration



Having a go at Rally O

Looking for something fun and challenging to do with your dog? Caroline Strainig explains what Rally Obedience is all about.

Ever wondered about those strange orange witches hats with signs on them that pop up at the club occasionally? Well, wonder no more – they are for Rally Obedience, a new form of dog obedience developed in the USA. Each sign tells you what exercise you have to do. A judge follows you around the course and you are marked on how well you do them. It's a lot more relaxed than traditional obedience because you can praise your dog and offer them encouragement.

The rules describe Rally O as "a fast-moving and motivational sport which demonstrates competency in basic obedience exercises without the precision of the formal obedience classes".

There are four levels: novice, advanced, excellent and masters and once you have finished these you can go on to compete for a championship title.

Easy first level

Novice courses are designed to give you an easy introduction to the sport. They are short, on-lead and include many exercises you should already be able to do if your dog has had some basic obedience training, such as heeling on a loose lead and a sit, stand, drop and stay. The courses gradually become longer and more demanding as you progress through the levels, culminating at masters level with exercises such as change of position from a distance.

Doing exactly what each sign specifies is challenging, and tests your training, your relationship with your dog, and your ability to put it all together with a judge watching. It's the suspense of not knowing if you will nail it that keeps me hooked. One moment you can do a perfect run and then the next make a silly mistake and do an exercise wrong which costs you 10 points. Thankfully, your dog does not hold a grudge when you do!

Great introduction

One of the sport's biggest pluses is that it's a fantastic way to get some experience before you start formal obedience competition, where you cannot talk to the dog during exercises apart from giving commands. In Rally O praise is encouraged and you can also retry up to two stations, with only a small penalty, which makes it much easier to come out of the ring with a big smile on your face.

Another advantage is that it is ideal for older dogs and handlers because there is minimal jumping involved, and no jumps at all the highest level, so it is not physically taxing. My border collie Adam is one of many ex-agility dogs enjoying Rally O.

How to get started.

Getting started is easy – just ask about it at the desk when you are at the club for a class and they will direct you to someone who can help you. Usually Rally O training is held on a Wednesday night in conjunction with training for handlers who want to compete. However, a few stations are also put out at Monday-night training occasionally for anyone interested to have a go.

Signs on-line

You can also print out the signs so you can see what is required and the judging criteria. Just Google "ANKC rules for the conduct of rally-o trials 2016" and look for the signs section. Make sure you get the Australian ANKC site and not the American AKC because the signs are different.

Probably the best piece of advice that first instructor gave me was to "Learn the signs!" How right she was. So, once you start training, take the time to print out those pesky signs and practise so they are second nature before you go into the ring. That way you can relax and concentrate on having fun working with your dog as a team – which is what Rally O is all about.

- *Caroline Strainig represents Caboolture in Rally O and her dog Adam is the current national masters Rally O champion and the Queensland 2018 Rally O Dog of the Year.*

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WHY I LOVE RALLY O: ANNETTE DOBSON

My dogs enjoy learning new exercises. They like the interactions - chit-chat and praise – we have going through a course. For me as the handler, the possibility of repeating an exercise that has gone wrong is a great confidence booster. Together we have fun, and sometimes a bit of success.

Rules and Regulations for Title Trophies

Members must have nominated Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club at all Trials: (Motion carried at Murrumba Dog Obedience Club (now Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club) General Meeting dated 9th March 1993 – “Anyone who wishes to apply for a perpetual trophy with the Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club must trial under and nominate Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club”).

All financial members of Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club, who have gained an Obedience, Rally Obedience, Tracking, Agility or Jumping Title, who have Trialled under and nominated Caboolture Sports Dog Obedience Club on your entry forms are eligible to complete this application form.

Only qualifications achieved while a financial Club Member can be used. The only exception will be for Champion Title Trophy applications which will require Committee approval on their individual merits.

Members must have participated in at least six Club activities during the current trialling year. They can consist of - instructing for a minimum of 3 months, OIC Monday, Wednesday or Thursday night, attend at least 2 monthly meetings, being a committee member or hold an appointment position for at least 6 months, help set up and pull down rings and or steward at least 2 trial days, help on Wednesday or Thursday night (maximum of two nights per year to count), participate in demonstrations on behalf of the club and any other activity the Committee deem fit.

When entering a Club Trial, members must see the Admin Officer to assist with the Trial on the day. (eg. help set up and pack up rings and Agility equipment, help the Admin Officer, Steward, supply drinks to judges Etc)

Financial Members have two months from the date of issue of the Title Certificate from Dogs Queensland to submit their Title Trophy applications.

All Title & Perpetual Trophy applications are to be submitted within two weeks of the last trial date in October. If Title Certificate hasn't been received from Dogs Qld in that time it must be provided before the day of the Trophy Presentation.

An annual award will be presented for the specified below disciplines which must be applied for on a separate form

If you want to apply for a Perpetual Trophy please fill out a Perpetual Trophy Form

Trialling **Person of the Year for Obedience, Rally Obedience and Agility/Jumpers - All qualifying Scores for all dogs (must be applied for on a separate form). **Only 1 person with their dog/s that they trialled with can apply.****

Framed Certificates will be presented for Agility Multiple Titles, Jumpers Multiple Titles and Games Titles

Lure Coursing - All titles will be awarded a Title Trophy but no Perpetual Trophies will be awarded

TROPHIES AND WHAT **YOU NEED TO DO**

CCD, CD, UDX, RN & RA – REQUIRE FIRST THREE QUALIFYING SCORES - (**THIS FORM ALSO IS YOUR PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM**)

RE – REQUIRES FIRST FIVE QUALIFYING SCORES - (**THIS FORM ALSO IS YOUR PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM**)

AD- REQUIRES FIRST FIVE QUALIFYING SCORES - (**THIS FORM ALSO IS YOUR PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM**)

JD - REQUIRES FIRST FIVE QUALIFYING SCORES - (**THIS FORM ALSO IS YOUR PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM**)

ADX - REQUIRES FIRST SIX QUALIFYING SCORES - (**THIS FORM ALSO IS YOUR PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM**)

JDX - REQUIRES FIRST SIX QUALIFYING SCORES - (**THIS FORM ALSO IS YOUR PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM**)

CDX, UD, RAE, RM, ADM, ADO, JDM AND JDO ALL REQUIRE UPTO 10 BEST QUALIFYING SCORES - (PERPETUAL TROPHY FORM NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED SEPERATLEY)

UDX, Obedience Champion, Obedience Grand Champion, Rally Obedience Champion, Tracking, Tracking Champion, Track & Search, Track & Search Champion, Agility Champion and ET - **WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY ADDED ON THE PERPETUAL TROPHY BOARDS EACH YEAR (taken from Title Trophy Application Form)**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FOR OUR TRIALLING MEMBERS

JUMPING HEIGHTS

It is now a requirement of the rules for Agility, Rally Obedience and Obedience that your dog's jump height is included on your entry forms and not the dog's height at shoulders (withers).

You are required to have your dog measured by two Judges who are licensed to judge classes with jumping. That is all Rally O and Agility Judges and Obedience CDX & UD Judges. The dog's height shall be measured at the withers to the nearest 10mm will be recorded on an official Height Card.

RALLY OBEDIENCE

| Height of Dog at Withers | Height to be jumped | Broad Jump | No. of Broad Jump Hurdles |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Under 250mm | 150mm | 300mm | 2 |
| 250mm and under 380mm | 200mm | 400mm | 2 |
| 380mm and under 500mm | 300mm | 600mm | 3 |
| 500mm and over | 400mm | 800mm | 3 |

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AGILITY/JUMPING

| Height Category | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 200 | Up to and including 270 mm |
| 300 | 271 mm up to and including 365 mm |
| 400 | 366 mm up to and including 455 mm |
| 500 | 456 mm up to and including 545 mm |
| 600 | 546 mm and over |

THE YELLOW DOG PROJECT.com

If you see a dog with a **YELLOW RIBBON** or something yellow on the leash, **this is a dog who needs some space**. Please do not approach this dog with your dog. Please maintain distance or give this dog and his/her person time to move out of your way.



There are many reasons why a dog may need space:

HEALTH ISSUES

IN TRAINING

BEING REHABILITATED

SCARED OR REACTIVE AROUND OTHER DOGS

THANK YOU!

Those of us who own these dogs
appreciate your help and respect!



Body Language of Fear in Dogs



Slight Cowering



Major Cowering

More Subtle Signs of Fear & Anxiety



Licking Lips
when no food nearby



Panting
when not hot or thirsty



Brow Furrowed, Ears to Side



Moving in Slow Motion
walking slow on floor



Acting Sleepy or Yawning
when they shouldn't be tired



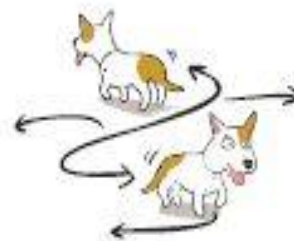
Hypervigilant
looking in many directions



Suddenly Won't Eat
but was hungry earlier



Moving Away



Pacing