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Hi All

Welcome to the new members who have started training at the club this month.

Over the past few weeks, you would have noticed our grounds have patches of sand over it. The council has resolved the issue with our irrigation system having a lack of pressure. Having said that, the additional pressure the irrigation system has, has caused some leaking of water in various parts of the system. The leaks have now been repaired. They have also replaced several sprinkler heads and corrected the alinement of others. We will need to monitor the system over the next few weeks to ensure that it is operating correctly.

The club's finical year finished on the 30th of June. If you still have a PURPLE membership name tag, you are currently an unfinancial member. Please see a committee member in the club rooms to renew your membership ASAP. If you have not renewed by the end of the month and have a TURQUOISE name tag, you will not be permitted to continue to train and will be required to pay a new membership fee.

The club has a fund day scheduled for the 20th of July. More details can be found later in the newsletter.

Wednesday night training is in a winter recess and will start up again on the 11th of September.

The club annual AGM is scheduled for September. Please give some consideration of standing for committee. Without the club's executive and committee members the club will not be able to operate. The more hands we have the lighter the workload is on each committee member. The notice of the AGM can be found later in the newsletter.

If you are not sure about being on the committee, or you would like to help for 30 minutes from time to time to help the club, or would like more information, please come and see either Jo Taylor, Sue Hounslow or myself Do not forget that the club rooms are there for your use. Please come inside and have a look at what we have on offer to sell. Tea and coffee available for free each week. Also available is chocolate bars (\$1.50), bottles of water (\$1), Soft drinks, hot food - pies, pasties sausage rolls and dim sims (best to order hot food) as well as dog equipment such as different types of leads, bait bags etc. These sales assist the club to keep our fees as low as possible so why not come and see what we have and support the club

Remember that 5 minutes training each day will progress you're training in leaps and bounds.

Ray Ashman

SAFETY AROUND THE CLUB

There have been a number of safety issues at our club. How you can help is listed below:

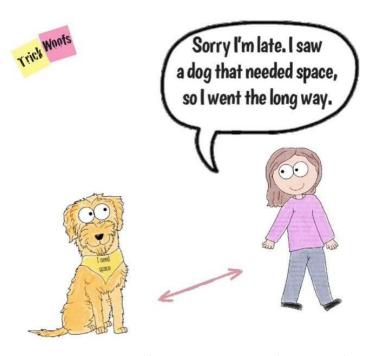
If you see a dog with a yellow 'Give Me Space' jacket, please keep your dog far away from it.

The owner of a dog wearing a 'Give Me Space' coat is doing the right thing by letting other members know that their dog needs its space. You can help the owner by going wide around the dog and not letting your dog interact with their dog.

When you are amongst a group of dogs, such as under the veranda of the Clubrooms, please make sure your dog is on a short lead. This will prevent your dog from approaching another dog that you don't know. Always ask the owner of another dog if it's OK to approach their dog.



- Please do not tie your dog up on the poles on the veranda or any star posts. For your dog's safety tie your dog up on the bollards located in front of the car park. Do not approach a tied up dog with your dog., they may feel trapped.
- Don't allow male dogs to lift their leg on any poles around the Club Grounds. There are plenty of trees for them to use. If your dog does urinate against a pole in front of the Clubrooms, please clean it up by throwing some water over it.
- Please make sure that your car is locked and no valuables are left in sight. From time to time we have had had valuables taken from cars.



From https://www.instagram.com/trickwoofs/







Booking in for training

Please book in for training so that the club can make sure we have enough trainers to help you on the day

Saturday training

You are requested to book in at the following web address prior to 5pm on Friday.

Please make sure you book into the correct class level and time slot - class times are different for each class.

Saturday training.

Wednesday Obedience night training

You are requested to book in at the following web address before 5 pm on the day prior to training.

Wednesday Obedience Night Training.





Agility training – Saturday and Wednesday

You are requested to book in at the following web address before 5 pm on the day prior to training.

Agility Training.

Ring Training (Saturday and Tuesday night).

You are requested to book in at the following web address before 5 pm on the day prior to training.

Ring Training Saturday and Tuesday night.



Our next Fun day is scheduled for Saturday 20th July 2024

Entry Fee: \$2.00 per dog, per event

We will be offering Obedience; and Rally.

CHECK IN TIME: FROM 12 NOON

JUDGING WILL COMMENCE FOR: RALLY AT 12:30 PM

OBEDIENCE 1 PM

This is your chance to demonstrate in a one-on-one situation your training progress so far. Instructors and aspiring judges will put you and your dog through a series of exercises that have been demonstrated and practiced by you and your dog in class.

If you gain a score of 170 pts. or better, you will be promoted up to the next class level, (classes 1 to 3). Should you win your class or even gain a second or third placing you will be awarded a trophy and sash for first place and a sash for second or third.

Fundays replace our normal training days. It is an all-afternoon event where a presentation ceremony is held at the conclusion of all classes, to acknowledge all class winners and qualifying scores.

The Funday is open to ALL Members, but you must enter.

ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEES WILL ONLY BE TAKEN ON SATURDAY JULY 6TH AND SATURDAY JULY 13TH. ENTRY FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE CLUBROOMS ON THOSE DATES. PAYMENT MUST BE MADE AT THE TIME OF ENTRY.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE PERMITTED.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENTER IN YOUR CORRECT CLASS LEVEL.

Voluntary Help from our membership will be required with setting up and pulling down of rings, check-in, and general odd jobs throughout the day. As your committee and your instructors also wish to participate with their dogs, there may be delays/hold-ups within your ring if your judge must compete with their dog in another ring. Please be patient. If it is a nice day bring a rug, chairs, dog stake or crate and if wet, bring your wet weather gear and have a great afternoon.

THERE IS NO NORMAL TRAINING ON THIS DAY.

It's MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME again

Have you renewed your membership? If you have not you are no longer a financial member of the club.

If you have a **purple** Coloured Name Tag you were required to renew your membership before the 30th of June 2024 to continue being a financial member of the Club and continue with your training.

When you do renew your membership, you will receive a new **TURQUOISE** Coloured Name Tag. If you already have a **TURQUOISE** Coloured Name Tag, then there is no need for you to renew your membership.

When you are renewing your membership, you **MUST** present your dog's current vaccination card. If you are a member of Dogs Victoria, you **must** present your VCA/Dogs Victoria card to be exempt from paying the insurance levy.

The cost of renewing your membership this year is listed below. If another family member wishes to join the club, they will have to go through the new member induction process and book in to attend.

Membership Categories

	Dogs Victoria/VCA Members	Non Dogs Victoria Members
Family Membership	\$70.00	\$88.60
Single Membership	\$35.00	\$44.30
Junior Membership	\$20.00	\$29.30

Please remember to include any additional dog/s on the renewal form.

Please Note:

Committee members will be available to process Renewals only between the hours of 2.00pm and 4.00pm.

We are happy for members to renew by sending their completed renewal form and dogs vaccination cards to the Secretary at info@werribeeobediencedogs.org and to pay your renewal fees via direct deposit to our club account.

BSB: 814-282 Account No: 10464278

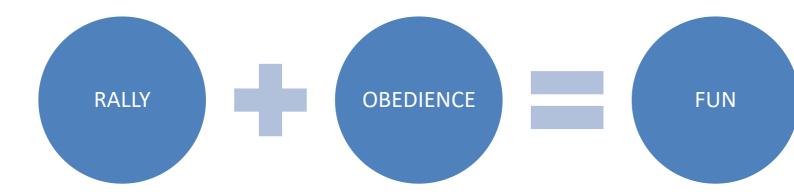
Name: Werribee Obedience Dog Club Inc Ref for club:

Type your last Name and dog(s) name.

Our postal address is PO Box 2, Werribee, 3030.

The 30th of June 2024 was the last day of the financial year.

If you do not renew before the 27th July 2024 you will be required to pay another joining fee to become a financial member for the year and continue training with the club



Several members have inquired recently regarding the various signs on the ground and the dog doing obedience without one (1) of those 'BLUE PEOPLE' making them sit / drop and stay.

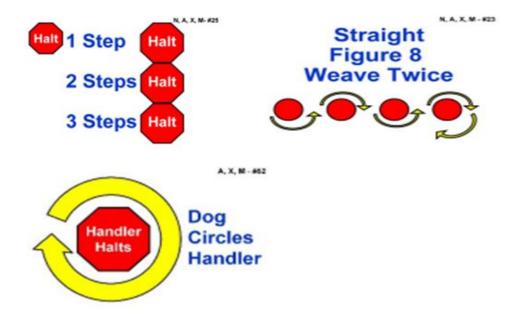


Rally a form of Obedience where the dog completes the designated course according to various signs and the owner is allowed to speak and praise the dog – <u>THE WHOLE WAY</u>. Even if the dog and occasionally the handler makes a mistake – they can retry the exercise and lose only a few points. Each team is timed whilst doing the course and at the conclusion - the judge will hand them a sheet indicating any faults and their final pass / fail score.

The official definition of <u>Rally</u> is: - The objective of Rally is to provide a fast-moving and motivational sport for both Handler and dog that demonstrates competency in basic Obedience exercises without the precision of the formal Obedience Classes. Dogs in Rally events should demonstrate willingness and enjoyment. To that end, Handlers may use verbal praise and encouragement of the dog on the Rally course.



There are four (4) sections within Rally being Novice (Beginners) / Advanced / Excellent and Masters. The signs above are called <u>STATIONS</u> and each section must have a minimum and maximum amount – Novice must have ten (10) to fifteen (15) all the way to Masters which must have eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24).



As with current Obedience levels, Novice allows the dog to participate with the lead attached however as you progress to the Advanced and higher levels – the lead is removed at the start. No food is allowed in the ring or within five (5) meters of the starting area.

One (1) great aspect of this sport is being judged as an individual team. If your dog is fearful of others dogs, being touched by humans, hates crowds or any other forms of anxiety –

THIS IS ANOTHER SPORT YOU CAN CONSIDER



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of WERRIBEE OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC. will be held at the CLUBROOMS, PRESIDENTS PARK CORNER OF ROWES & HEATH ROADS, WERRIBEE on

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th, 2024 at 8.00 P.M.

Clause 28(5b) of the Club's Constitution:

Any member who is entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting, but unable to attend shall be entitled to apply to the Secretary for a postal vote. Application for a postal vote must be in writing and lodged with the Secretary fourteen days prior to the Annual General Meeting. Within seven days the Secretary in the presence of the President and one other Committee member appointed by the Committee will forward an initialed ballot paper to each applicant and record their name. Members to whom ballot papers are posted will under no circumstances be given a second ballot paper. Completed ballot papers are to be returned to the Returning Officer or the Secretary in envelopes endorsed, "Ballot Papers." These envelopes shall be handed (unopened) to the Returning Officer officiating at the poll.

Clause 30(2)(a) of the Club's Constitution:

Every member who was a financial member of the Club for not less than three months of the financial year preceding the Annual General Meeting and is currently a financial member shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible to nominate or be nominated as an Office Bearer or member of the Committee. A member may be nominated for and hold more than one position on the Committee clause 14(3) of the Club's Constitution:- Notice of an annual general meeting and the form of nomination of Committee of Management shall be deemed to have been given to each member if they are published in, or enclosed with, the Club's newsletter or journal or such other publication as the Club may circulate to its members provided that such publication is dispatched to each member not less than thirty days prior to the date of the annual general meeting or if they are served upon him personally not less than twenty-eight days prior to the date of that meeting or if they are sent through the post not less than thirty days prior to the meeting addressed to each member at the address shown in the Register of Members.

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE POSITIONS WILL BE DECLARED VACANT:

President. Vice President. Secretary Assistant Secretary

Treasurer Assistant Treasurer 10 Committee Positions

Nominations for the above positions close on Monday August 12th, 2024.

Please have your nomination form, duly signed etc. with the Secretary, Jo Taylor on or before end of business August 12th, 2024.

All Agenda submissions must be written and signed - Emails will not be accepted.

AGENDA ITEMS CLOSE AUGUST 12th, 2024 NOMINATIONS CLOSE AUGUST 12th, 2024

Jo Taylor Secretary 1st June 2024

PO Box 2, Werribee. Vic. 3030

COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATION FORM 2024/2025 COMMITTEE WODC

I,		hereby nominate.
(Name of nominator)		
		for the position of
(Name of nominee)		
(position)		
on the committee of the Werribee Obedience Dog Clu	b Inc. for 2024	./2025.
Signature of		
Nominee:	Dated:	
Signature of		
Nominator:	Dated:	

All nominees for Committee must either provide a current Working with Children Check Card or be willing to obtain one.

Nominations to be completed and in the hands of the Secretary of the Club on or before the close of business on Monday 14th August 2024.

Trial results

you would like your trial results printed in the Werribee Wagger, please pass your results onto the Secretar vue to the limited space in the Wagger, only qualifying passes will be printed.

You can also email your results to: info@werribeeobediencedogs.org. Forms can be downloaded from the class's website under the Members Area tab OR collect a form from the training table, fill it out clearly and leave it at the office counter.

Frankston O.D.C. - 23/06/2024 (Scent)

Janette WILSON and Scarlett gained three (3) passes – Novice Vehicles / Interior and Exterio				
CONGRATULATIONS				
Tracking Club or Victoria – 1 st July, 2024 (Tracking)				
Peter MILLER and Bailee gained their Track Two (2) with a pass.				
<u>Geelong O.D.C. – 6&7/07/2024</u>				
Wendy TRAWN and Maverick gained four (4) passes in Masters Rally with scores of 99 / 100 / 97 and 99 and gained their MASTERS RALLY TITLE.				
CONGRATULATIONS				
<u>Tracking Club or Victoria – 6th July, 2024 (Tracking - TSD)</u>				

Sarah STODDART AND Layla passed their Test Eight (8) with a Very Good and gained their TRACK AND SEARCH – CHAMPION TITLE.

CONGRATULATIONS

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> Can trialing members please provide as much information as possible (NO abbreviations) in regards to their passes and titles gained, especially in relation to the new disciplines of Rally O and Dances with Dogs.

WERRIBEE OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

Presidents Park, Cnr Heaths & Rowes Roads Werribee



OBEDIENCE & RALLY TRIAL Saturday 19th October 2024



ONLINE ENTRIES THROUGH SHOW MANAGER

www.showmanager.com.au

POSTAL ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY 5th October 2024 ONLINE ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY 12th October 2024

ENTRY FEE: \$14.00 PER ENTRY, PER DOG

Cheques made payable to Werribee Obedience Dog Club Post entries to Trial Secretary, Ray Ashman, 15 Nicklaus Drive Hoppers Crossing 3029 Enquiries: 9749-5279 or ray_sue_ashman@bigpond.com

CHECK IN FOR OBEDIENCE/RALLY: 8:00AM - 8:45AM
Start 9am.

IF ENTERING CLASS 2 ONLY, CHECK IN: 11:30AM - 11:45AM

		Class 1	Class 2*
CCD	-	Mr E Howden	Dr Maribeth Murphy
NOVICE	-	Mrs L McKay	Mr E Howden
OPEN	-	Miss M Balaam	Mrs L McKay
UD	-	Dr Maribeth Murphy	Mr R Carlson
UDX	-	Mr R Carlson	Miss M Balaam
RALLY NOVICE	-	Mrs K Houlden	Mrs G Todd
RALLY ADVANCED	-	Mrs K Houlden	Mrs G Todd
RALLY MASTER	-	Mrs G Todd	Mrs K Houlden
RALLY EXCELLENT	-	Mrs G Todd	Mrs K Houlden

*CLASS 2 WILL START AFTER THE LUNCH BREAK BUT NOT BEFORE 12 NOON

THE WALKING OF THE RALLY COURSES WILL BE 15 MINUTES BEFORE START TIME

Catalogue: Free online at <u>vicdog.com</u> and the clubs web site <u>werribeeobediencedogs.org/events</u> a couple of days prior to the trial

JUDGES MAY COMPETE IN OBEDIENCE OR RALLY AT THIS TRIAL – JUDGING MAY START EARLIER TO ACCOMMODATE THESE ENTRANTS

DOGS VICTORIA CONFIRMED

DATE: 12/01/2024 SIGNATURE: MA

COME INSIDE THE CLUBROOMS

OUR GREAT CANTEEN!!

Not only do we look after the humans, but you will also find a range of dog treats, leads, collars, head collars and everything you need for training with your dog.

Members are also welcome to help themselves to the free tea and coffee facilities located straight across from the front door. You will also find a donation tin there if you wish to make a donation.

And after a hard day's training why not come inside to relax and have a chat in a friendly atmosphere.

So please do come on inside, you will be amazed what you will find in there!!!

Drinks Water

Tea and coffee

Soft Drinks

Food Dim Sims

Pies

Sausage Rolls Pasties

Chips Twisties

Chocolate Bars

Eftpos available, no limit





TOYS TOYS TOYS

The club has a wide arrange of dog toys for sale.

They are well below the price that pet shops sell them for. Please come into the club rooms and browse what we have.

A small example of the different toys we have are:

- KONG Wubba Ballistic Friends Small
- Zippy Paws Zippy Burrow Interactive Dog Toy

We hope to have a different set of toys every couple of months but this will depend on the amount of sales we have.

If there is a particular toy you would like to purchase, take a photo of it and price and let us know and we will see if we are able to get it at a better price!



WEATHER POLICY

THE CLUB WILL INVOKE IT'S HOT/WET WEATHER POLICY WHEN WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE UNSUITABLE TO CONDUCT DOG TRAINING.

IN THE EVENT OF HOT WEATHER:

WITH REGARDS TO SATURDAY TRAINING - ALL TRAINING AT W.O.D.C. WILL BE CANCELLED IF THE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE REACHES THIRTY-THREE (33) DEGREES.

IF THE WEATHER FORECAST AS AT 1900 (7.00PM) ON FRIDAY EVENING AS COMMUNICATED BY THE BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY (www.bom.gov.au) IS EQUAL TO OR FORECAST TO EXCEED THIRTY-THREE (33) DEGREES CELSIUS ON THE FOLLOWING DAY (SATURDAY) — TRAINING FOR THE ENTIRE DAY IS CANCELLED.

IF THE TEMPERATURE ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON IS BETWEEN TWENTY-EIGHT (28) AND THIRTY-TWO (32) DEGREES CELSIUS – CLASS TRAINING WILL BE SHORTENED TO A TOTAL OF THIRTY (30) MINUTES.

IN THE EVENT OF WET WEATHER:

ALL TRAINING IN CLASSES AND RINGS WILL CEASE IMMEDIATELY IF THERE IS THUNDERSTORMS / LIGHTING OR HEAVY RAIN.

COMMITTEE & INSTRUCTORS WILL DECIDE IF AND WHEN IT IS SAFE TO RETURN TO THE TRAINING

CLASS EXERCISES

PUPPY CLASS All Exercises as per Class 1 – plus retrieving, puppy play and socialisation.

CLASS 1 All exercises on Loose Lead.

Heel on lead with right / left turn and right / left

about turn. Sit (Voice and lead/manually sit)

Drop (from sit position)

Stand – alongside handler.

Recall (on lead, 4 metres) Progressing to handler

returning around dog.

Sit-Stay (10 seconds) Progressing to handler returning around

dog.

CLASS 2 All Class 1 exercises

plus: Heel on lead,

plus all turns Slow

pace

Dog Introduction

Stand Stay (on lead)

Recall (on lead - Handler returns

around dog) Sit Stay (30 seconds)

Drop Stay (30 seconds - Handler returns around dog)

CLASS 3 All Class 1 & 2 exercises plus:

Drop (whilst

heeling)

Figure of

Eight

Fast Pace

Stand for Examination (Introduce lightly running hand over back & head).

Recall Off Lead (maximum of 10 metres – lead up on lead)

Finish on Lead

Sit Stay (approx. 3 metres – 60 seconds with lead on the ground)

Drop Stay (approx. 3 metres – 60 seconds with lead on the ground)

CLASS 4 (CCD) All Class 1, 2 & 3 exercises plus:

Heeling on Lead

Introduction to off lead

heeling. Stand for

Examination (on lead)

Recall at least 12 metres – no lead up or finish)

Change of Position Exercise – Drop in front of handler / lead on / return.

Sit Stay (1 minute – approx.5 metres off lead)

Drop Stay (2 minutes – approx.5 metres off lead)

Introduction to Dumbbell / Retrieve Dumbbell Exercise. Introduction to Broad Jump.

CLASS 5 (NOVICE) All Class 1, 2, 3 & 4 exercises plus:

All ANKC Novice Class Exercises including both optional exercises.

All Stays with Distractions

(Note: To be promoted from Class 5 to 6 you must attain three passes under an aspiring judge at a club Funday or three passes in the Novice class at a Trial, or a combination of each)

CLASS 6 (OPEN) Full Open Routine - All ANKC Open Class Exercises.

(Note: To be promoted from Class 6 to 7 you must attain three passes under an aspiring judge at a club Funday or three passes in the Open class at a Trial)

CLASS 7 (UTILITY) Full Utility Routine (UD) - All ANKC Utility Class Exercises

CLASS 8 (UDX) Full Utility Dog Excellent Routine All ANKC UDX Class Exercises.

PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT ATTEMPT ANY OF THE EXERCISES ABOVE WITHOUT FIRST HAVING BEEN PROPERLY INSTRUCTED BY A CLUB INSTRUCTOR





RING TRAINING AND USE

Purpose of the Rings:

- 1. To enable Handlers to conduct training where a class is not available
- 2. To enable Handlers to gain ring experience for the class they are preparing to trial in

Ring setup times:

1. Set up will be at the completion of Agility training but not before 12:50pm

The criteria to use the Rings are:

- 1. You must help with the **setting up and or packing** down of rings and equipment on the day.
 - a. If you set up equipment for your own use and no-one else is planning on using it, then you are required to pack it away again
- 2. Place your name on the ring running sheets located either inside the clubrooms or outside the rings against a time slot, which are a **guide to the time** you will be in the ring
 - a. Where time allocations have not been allocated, they can be used for training
- 3. You must be willing to assist running other members through the ring as they do to you and act as a steward during training sessions
 - a. Inexperienced handlers will be assisted on developing their knowledge to do this
- 4. Group exercises will be conducted from 2:30pm only for aspiring trialing / trialing members in CCD (class 4) and above
- 5. Any additional requirements set out in the class listing below

Training rings have allocated times for setup and use, and should be adhered to where possible. Packing up of the rings will occur after Handlers have completed their time allocation but should not be before 2:45 pm

Rings for Classes 4 (CCD) & 5 (Novice)

- Handlers are able to use a ring/s as they become available i.e. no UDX etc. dogs require the ring
- 2. Handlers must have an instructor or experienced person put them through unless you are a club instructor or a handler that has trained a dog to an Open Obedience title
- 3. Refer to criteria to use the Rings above

Rally Obedience Ring

- 1. Be a minimum class of 3
 - a. Handlers may apply to the clubs Chief Instructor if their dogs is in a class lower than 3
- 2. The Novice ring must have an experienced person / instructor available to instruct / run through a Handler (as a Handler you must also make yourself available to run other Handlers through on the day)
- 3. The Advanced, Excellent or Master courses are self-help and do not require an experienced person / instructor to run a Handler through the ring





INSTRUCTORS

Werribee Obedience Dog Club would not function without the wonderful members that volunteer their time as an Instructor. We understand that members may have reservations about becoming a Trainee Instructor believing they do not have sufficient knowledge or they want to train their own dog(s).

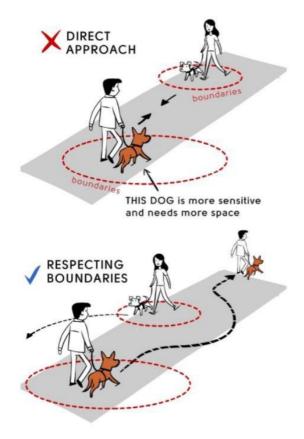
There are many owners at our Club that have a broad range of experience and we are looking for trainee Instructors to assist for just an hour or more on Saturdays.

We Instructor's agree it is a highly rewarding experience assisting all members / identifying issues and giving advice to rectify same.

Full training with an experienced Instructor is always available.

If you are interested to considering this role - please speak to our Chief Instructor Peter MILLER or any of the other Instructors.

JULY	20 th 23 RD 28 TH	FUN DAY INDUCTION EVENING SCENT WORKS TRIAL
AUGUST	20 TH	INDUCTION EVENING
SEPTEMBER	28	TRACKING WORKSHOP
OCTOBER	5 TH 8 TH 19 TH	FUN DAY INDUCTION EVENING OBEDIENCE TRIAL (NO TRAINING)
NOVEMBER	30TH	NADAC AGILITY TRIAL
DECEMBER	1st	NADAC AGILITY TRIAL
DECEMBER	7TH	PRESENTATION NIGHT



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