

# DOG TRACKS

## Manly Agility Trial **IT'S A WRAP**

It was a very cold start to the day, 3 degrees and fog. Welcome to Erskine Park it said. After months and months of preparation, the million questions, the thousands of tasks and the hundreds of "what if's" its all in a trial that had to be moved from our beloved beaches to Erskine Park. Dogs NSW in fact. Some would say "where is that", others groan when they hear its near the base of the Blue Mountains, but yes, it was what happened and what a day it turned out to be.

Once the fog lifted we had a beautiful sunny day. People started doing what they would normally do – walk courses. Then at 8.30am it was all systems go – dogs at the ready and the day started. There were just under 160 human competitors and over 840 runs across the day, so we prepared ourselves for a very busy and very long day. Thankfully there was food – awesome food..... Thanks go out to Peter Martin, Jim and Jane Scott, Kathy and her kiddo's Daeni & Ash for some great tucker. Then there were the judges with some fantastic courses, Jenny Taylor, Scott Fletcher and Nick Chester – wow please come back soon.



We also held our usual wonderful raffle, raising over \$1,000 for the Golden Oldies Rescue and the Greyhound Adoption Program. We did eventually find black ticket F11, unfortunately Eva was out on Luddenham Rd waiting for the ambulance to come. We will make it up to her one day. Yes a day is never interesting unless you need an ambulance, and unfortunately we did have a very interesting day.



I don't think we had anything as fabulous as someone gaining their Agility Championship on the day, however I do know that Jenni Meggitt and Ash gained their JDX title - woo hoo and congratulations.

Lastly, but most importantly, our trial would not have happened without our wonderful volunteers. A huge thank you goes out to everyone that put their hands up and came out and helped. In particular Virginia, Liz, Leire, Vince, Matt, Ann & Richard, Deb, Jill, Maxine, Craig, Wendy, Jon & Anna, Lisa, Glen and Paul – who came out all day and just worked your tails off. You guys rock..... And to all our club members who came over and stood in when I needed a hand or someone needed a break, without you we would never have made it. And the agility community – you also did more than asked, when needed. Of special note are Ashley and Gunilla – wow.



Apparently packing the trailer via phone torch is also the way to go, we managed not to leave anything behind and nothing fell out on the way home. At least we didn't have to run dogs in the dark. That is definitely a successful day.



No matter whether you ran like Cliff Young or knocked every bar on the course, you all took home champions, each and every one of you. Congrats and thank you to everyone for making it such a successful agility trial.

A special thanks to Sue Town of Pinnacle Photography for some great photos which can be found at

<https://pinnacle.com.au/dogs/agility/agility-ankc-manly-3-august-2019/> .



My boys have been a bit neglected over the last month or so and Caddy is saying "come on mum lets go and play", so **THAT'S A WRAP.**

Jo Comber

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# The Agility Trial Raffle



Once again our Agility Trial Raffle has been a great success. Always popular due to the quality and quantity of our prize pool the competitors dug deep and I am delighted to say we raised a total of \$1,045.00. A huge thank you to the companies who donated prizes -

Clear Dog Treats - Blackdog - Kumalong - K Mart - Jahzzy Agility -

Pods for Pets - Snoody B - Dauvergne Hairdressers -

North Sydney Imports and Exports

The proceeds will be donated to Golden Oldies Animal Rescue and Greyhound Adoption Program both of which do amazing work.



# Message from the President

Our training year is progressing with continued strong new member numbers – *a warm welcome to all of you who have decided to enhance your relationship with your pooch with obedience and or agility training.*

Our active committee have reinstated the donation-to-a-charity policy with \$5,000 a year pegged for animal based organisations in need of support. In order for a charity to qualify they must be listed on the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and be deemed in genuine need of financial assistance. We naturally favour dog related charities. After consultation with the club membership our donation policy guidelines resulted in two organisations each receiving \$2,000; \$1,500 donated out of club funds and \$500 donated from the Agility August Trial raffle. The recipients were *Golden Oldies Animal Rescue*, who support re-homing of aged and abused dogs, and *Greyhound Adoption Program NSW*. I encourage members who want to support charity to check out the ACNC website register as it has a lot of valuable information about the ownership and financial status of reputable organisations.

Transition to the new financial year has successfully occurred with our back end staff working hard to process membership payments whether they work on the grounds at the desk, or processing PayPal and most importantly, managing the membership database software. All of us are volunteers and this is my segue into seeking help from our members.

We seriously need support in areas of instruction for obedience classes run on Sunday and Thursday mornings. Due to a lack of experienced and available instructors we have had to discontinue senior class 4 at 9:00am Sunday. It has been rescheduled to be conducted with the other classes run at 10:00am. If you attend obedience it is not unusual to see instructors managing upward of 20 dogs in one class. Clearly this is undesirable, but it comes down to available volunteers. If you would consider helping with instruction please approach the chief instructor on your training day and you can attend an instructor's course which will equip you to engage in this fulfilling activity.

Warmer weather is around the corner so please be attentive to checking your dog for ticks which abound at Deep Creek, as do fleas and leeches. Daily examination of your pets saves heart ache when treatment options for tick paralysis is realized to be potentially life threatening and financially challenging when veterinary charges stretch the credit card.

Watch for changes in behaviour like being unusually off their food, very lethargic or a strange cough. In all cases a visit to the vet at the first sign is the better course of action; the best being you finding a tick before any symptoms are evident!

To all of our members I wish you enjoyable and successful training in the lead up to the Christmas break December and January.

Peter Coulthart



# Manly Club Flying High Out West

Dogs on Show was an amazing day out for all things dog. Manly Club was invited to participate by giving a Frisbee demonstration, we are presently the only club in Sydney training Frisbee. The show, on June 15th, was held at Orchard Hills so a real early start for us all arriving at dawn in freezing temperatures and yes that was ice on the tables as we set up our marquee.

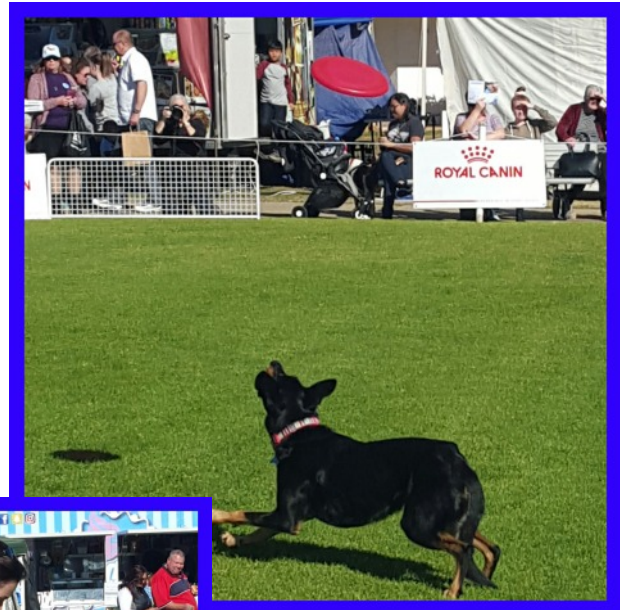
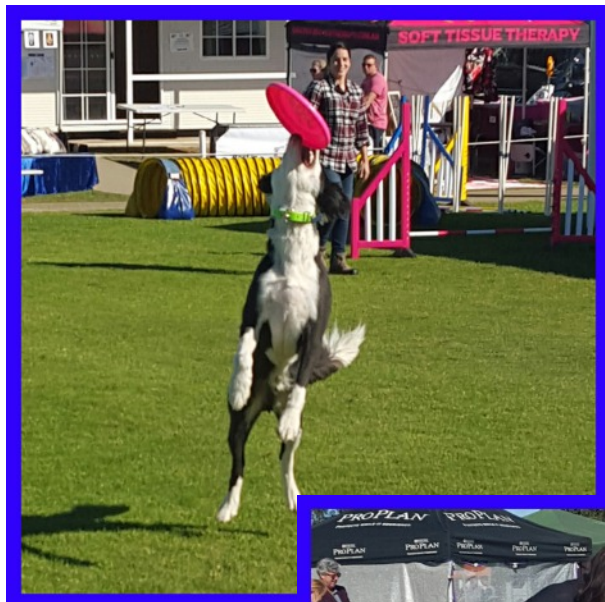


After a shivery start the sun came out to a lovely day; and what a great day Dogs NSW had created. There was a championship breed show with merchandise stands clustered around the show rings, a grooming competition and many of the breed clubs were there promoting their breeds. At our marquee we gave away homemade dog biscuits and answered questions about our Club and what we do. It was surprising to talk to people who had travelled from all over Sydney to attend the show.



There were demonstrations all day from Obedience, Agility, Drafting, Dances with Dogs, Retrieving and Earthdog trials to Flyball and Lure Coursing and yes there was even Duck Herding. Many of these activities people were not familiar with so it gave them the opportunity to see what is available in dog sports.

Our Frisbee team put on two demonstrations during the day whilst Jo gave a wonderful commentary explaining the games and how they are played. Frisbees flew and our dogs leapt high to an enthusiastic audience. We all agreed the drive out west was well worth it and we all enjoyed a very special, entertaining and informative day.



If you're interested in attending  
Frisbee classes call Jo  
0418 605 850



# Sweet Potato Surprise

1kg	x	Turkey Mince
1	x	Small Zucchini
½	x	Small Sweet Potato
½	x	Cup of Oat Bran
1	x	Egg



Cut sweet potato into small cubes and cook in micro wave for around one minute. Mix together turkey mince, beaten egg, finely grated zucchini and oat bran. When well combined roll into balls placing a cube of sweet potato in the centre of each. Brown in a frying pan to seal, cool, then freeze until needed. Can be defrosted to room temperature or reheated in microwave.



A huge thank you to Clear Dog Treats who donated a large box of their goodies as prizes in the Agility Trial raffle. If you haven't tried them get on line and discover their amazing range.



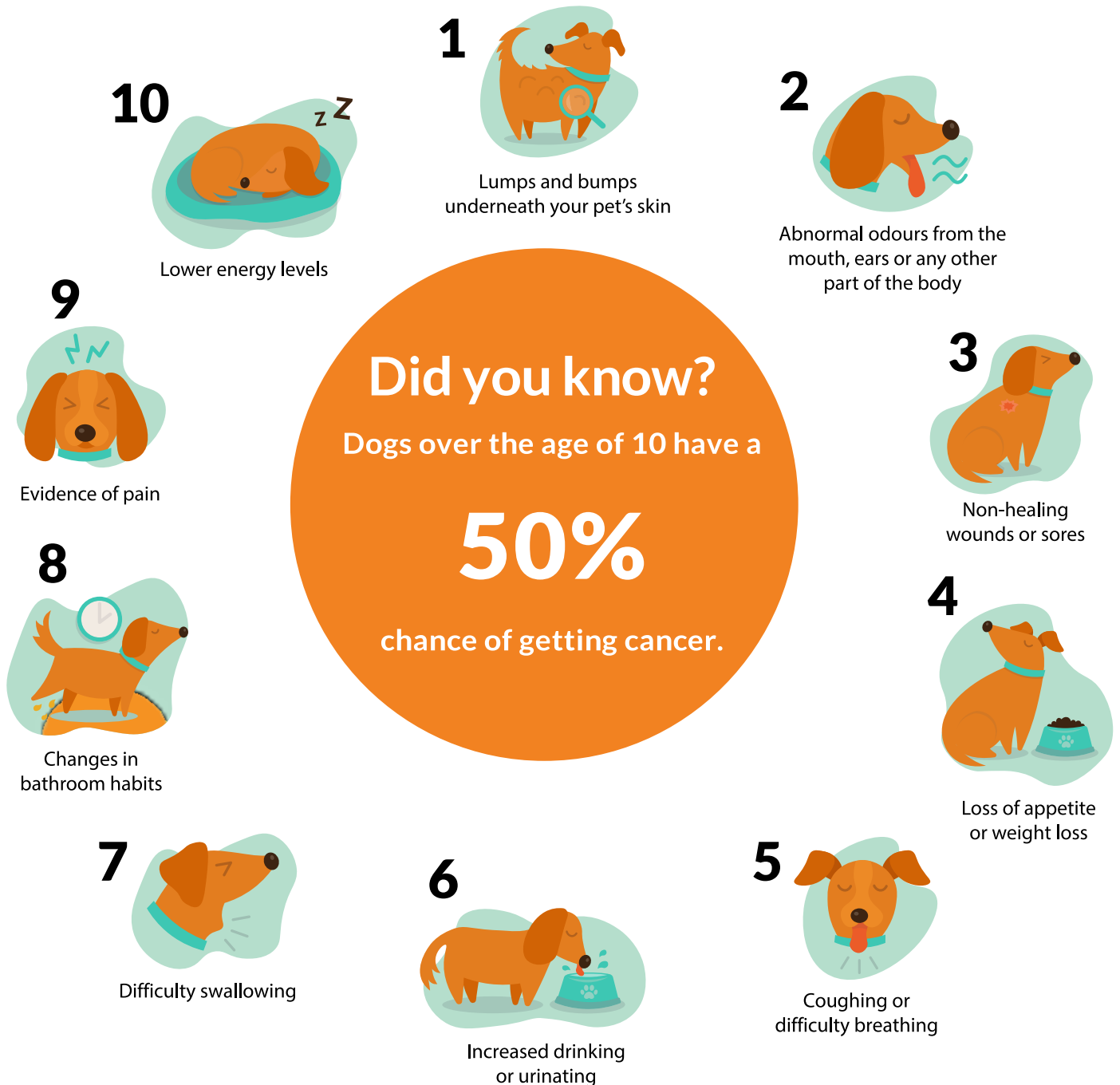
[www.cleardog.com.au](http://www.cleardog.com.au)





# The 10 Steps to Help Save Your Dog's Life

At SASH, the Small Animal Specialist Hospital, our priority is to help pets and their families live their best life. Use this checklist to help identify possible cancer warning signs.



If your dog is showing any of these symptoms, please contact your local vet or SASH immediately.

☎ SASH Sydney (02) 9889 0289  
SASH Central Coast (02) 4311 1311  
✉ [cancercare@sashvets.com](mailto:cancercare@sashvets.com)



## **6x4 trailer - FOR SALE - \$650.00 ONO**

Our original club trailer is FOR SALE. Its a 6x4 single axle trailer with purpose built removable rack. It tows very nicely and was only used occasionally to convey agility equipment around.

Specs:

1988 built, 750 GMV, 205 Tare weight (which means I can manoeuvre it around quite easily myself). No inspection required for registration.

Registration expires 31 October 2019. Currently has business registration @ \$168 per year.

If you are interested and want to have a look at it, just get in touch with me and I can organise it with you.

Jo Comber 0418 605 850





# Promotions

## Obedience

### Beginners to Class 1

Rod Willment & **Buddy**  
Shannon Hankin & **Harvey**  
Helen Magill & **Hendricks**  
Ed Park & **Olive**  
Julie Fehon & **Harley**  
Melissa Munn & **Mac**

### Class 1 to Class 2

Sue Abrahams & **Jedd**  
Danny Bobanovic & **Hank**  
Andrew Dawson & **Kobie**  
Craig Moody & **Misty**  
Karen Francis & **George**  
Chris Carey & **Eddie**  
Bronte Perrin & **Sasha**  
Mieko Takami & **Boots**  
Nick Pilarski & **Elmo**  
Neville Smith & **Rosie**  
Shannon Hankin & **Harvey**  
Lyn Shaddock & **Sassy**

### Class 2 to Class 3

Katie Allman & **Bentley**  
Daria Hashemizazeh & **George**  
Henry Hughes & **Kodak**

## Club Shop

Great news we now stock Ruffwear Harnesses



# Welcome to Our New Members

Rob Katherine & Daly & **Mia**  
Andrew, Lachlan & Cathy McLeod & **Maggie**  
Yvonne & Keiron Conroy & **Miley**  
Paul & Teresa Hancocks & **Billie & Rebel**  
Elle Willmott & **Skyler**  
Stephanie Fernia & **Sunny**  
Jessica Moore & **Chewie**  
Julie, Justin, Hamish & Joab Woodcock & **Ash**  
Eva & Malin Andersson & **Loki**  
Mandy Caple & **Lilly**  
Sabine Bothma & **Talu & Nala**  
Jeanette, Kim, Giselle & Annabelle Carter & **Theo**  
Maria & Adam Mamanus & **Wagner**  
Jasmine, Aden, John & Jenny Crawford/Schneider & **Poppy**  
Joshua Harvey & **Tank**  
Rohan, Flynn, Poppy & Lucy Tanner/Armstrong & **Maple & Chilli**  
Emma Herbert & **Murphy**  
Sophie Gawel & Rod Milburn & **Bear**  
Josephine Kelly & Adam Prow & **Mosi**  
Christine Sutherland & **Alfi**  
Jonathan Carroll & Stephanie Sear & **Kip**  
Frances Rig & **Oakie**  
Julie, Lyn, & Tim Fehon/Charlton & **Harley**  
Alexandra & Paul Bailey & **Tasman**  
Sam Bates & **Murphy**  
Jessie Booth & **Bunji**  
Charlotte Brasler & **Moo & Melvin**  
June Brooks & **Isla**  
Jennifer Brown & **Obi**  
Paula Bushell & **Bonnie**  
Elke Clarke & **Jack**  
Shannon, Sienna, Bayden, Jess Crawford/Grima & **Charlie**  
Gail Denney & **Roxy**  
Paulinka Dudek & **Monty**  
Leanne Forster & **Lola**  
John & Shireen Fraanje & **Gus**  
Karen Francis & **George**  
Kath Gilmore & **Milo**  
Marianne Gould & Chris Mears & **Bill**  
Matthew Gumley & **Peppa**  
Katie Harrison & **Bowie**  
Jill Hersee & **Bella**  
Jane Hulme & **Lucy**  
Allen & Wendy Janssens & **Snowy**  
Andy & Jasmine Knight & **Louie**  
Joel Lambert & Luna & Jed  
Lara, Kane, Abby & Oscar Lambkin & **Ellie & Mandy**  
Ryan Loduwick & **Freddie**  
Rachel Marr & **Winston King**  
Mary Morrell & Peter & Demi Louridas & **Maple**  
Melissa Munn & **Mac**  
Justine Norwood & **Nisha**  
Edwin & Patricia Park & **Olive**  
Nina Petrolo & **Rex**  
David Press & **Marley**  
Philip Reid & **Sonny**  
Julie Roberts & **Sherlock**  
Julie Roper & **Pizza**  
Cindy Ross & **Parker**  
Robyn Russell & **Aurora**



Raj Sarin & Hayley Keesing & **Zeus**  
Shane & Lisa Schmidt & **Tash**  
Cindy Smart & **Tobias**  
Jaki & Colin Wallbank & **Buffy, Zac & Willow**  
Simon, Elizabeth & Dennis Watkins & **Oki**  
Georgia Whyte & **Aggie**  
Howard Womersley & **Bommie**  
Sunnie Zhu & **Hugo**  
Deborah Zietsman & **Coco**



# Reminder

The **AGM** will be held on Monday September 30th at 7:30pm

Forestville Community Arts Centre, Darley Street, Forestville.

All members are invited to attend.

Minutes of this meeting will be available to Club members on request.

## Frisbee Training

Frisbee training under lights at St Ives has now finished for the year.  
Training will recommence on Thursday October 10th at Deep Creek.

