

# Corner Post December 2021



Newcastle All Breeds  
Dog Training Club  
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## CHIEF INSTRUCTORS ANNUAL REPORT - AUGUST 2021

This past year has been very trying on our handlers and dogs with different start times during the year thanks to COVID. Some hard decisions had to be made and I think that training is running OK now,

Thanks to all of our instructors who give up their time each Sunday to take classes under extreme conditions.

Thanks to all of my assistant Chief Instructors for their help throughout the year with Board Duties, Promotions, Handlers Days, Instructor Meeting Minutes etc. and Sandra for looking after Motivational Training and putting my Chief Instructor's Message in the Corner Post each month.

Thanks to the executive for their help and guidance and the many things they have helped me and our club. We are all here for one reason – the love of dogs.

Tracy has joined our club and her work is appreciated with the triallers and Rally-O. She is

off sick at the moment and I hope that she recovers OK. Thanks also to Lyn for cleaning and sterilizing our jumps each Sunday.

Even though it has been very trying at times, I have enjoyed my last twelve months as Chief Instructor of this wonderful club and I look forward to serving as Chief Instructor if elected tonight.

P.S. This report was written when our AGM was planned for 8th August 2021. We are back at training now after another COVID break and I look forward to the next twelve months.

Russell Whitton  
Chief Instructor

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR OUR MEMBERS

- Break-Up Day is SUNDAY DECEMBER 19th 2021
- The club will resume on SUNDAY 30th JANUARY 2022.

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR FOUR FOOTED FRIENDS ALL THE BEST FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON.

### **RUSSELL & BARBARA WHITTON**

**The Annual General Meeting of NABDTC was held at the clubhouse, Hillsborough at 11.15 am Sunday 21st November 2021.**

The following members were elected to office bearing roles:

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- President - Geoff Williams (+ CNCC delegate)
- Vice President- Lynda Payne
- Treasurer - Denise Bennett
- Secretary / Public Officer – Katie Luton
- Trial Secretary - Alison Menil
- Assistant Secretary – Giselle Janovsky

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- Chief Instructor - Russell Whitton

## ORDINARY COMMITTEE

- Registrar - Ros Scott
- Grounds Coordinator - Geoff Cox
- Equipment Officer - Giselle Janovsky
- Canteen Coordinator – Ros Scott
- Social Secretary – Sandra Feltham
- Publicity Officer - Sandra Feltham

## COMMITTEE SUPPORT ROLES

- Assistant Chief Instructors - Geoff Cox, Alison Menil, Lynda Payne, Sandra Feltham, Catherine Asquith, Tracey Geary, Libby Baldwin
- Assistant Treasurer - Geoff Cox
- Assistant Registrar - Adam Janovsky
- Assistant Trial Secretary – Catherine Asquith
- Agility Co-ordinator - Paula Best
- Tracking Co-ordinator - Narelle Vale
- Rally Co-ordinator – Tracey Geary
- Alternate CNCC Delegate – Janice Davies

The Committee meets every 2nd Sunday of the month after training @ approx. 11.15am

## COVID – COMING ... OR GOING SLOWLY ....

- At this stage you have to be fully vaccinated and be able to provide proof
- If you feel unwell, please do not come to training.
- We have Service NSW QR Codes at our entry point or can sign you in through our NSW online check in form

All volunteers and handlers are required to abide by the current NSW Public Health Orders and our

COVID Safe Plan. This document is regularly updated in line with Service NSW and Dogs NSW guidelines (Annexure B) for affiliate clubs.

### In short:

- Only one entry and exit point
- **Scan in**, sanitize your hands
- Maintain your distance please
- Bring your own chair
- Do not share any equipment

## EQUIPMENT STORE

The Equipment Store has a range of items (subject to availability) which are reasonably priced. Items include:

- Leads, tracking leads and double ended leads
- Collars and martingales
- Dumbbells – range of sizes
- Articles (for scent discrimination)
- Gentle leaders (halter style)
- Treat bags – Several colours (pink, purple, red and grey), three compartments (one with a zip – good for keys) The bags are comfy, sit flat against your body and are a bargain at \$20.



Please see our Equipment Officer Giselle at the club house before training.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALENDAR

#### December 2021- January 2022

DECEMBER 2021	
Sun 5th	Beginners start
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	Committee meeting 2nd Sunday of the month after training @ approx. 11.15am
Sun 19th	Last day of training 2021
JANUARY 2022	
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	Training resumes

## NABDTC OBEDIENCE TRIAL RESULTS

19/11/2021

### CCD Judge Veeni Craig

1<sup>ST</sup> 23 Ms J.M. Deith NORDENSTAMM LETHAL (AI)  
4100296640 B Belgian Shepherd Dog (Malinois) 99  
points

2<sup>ND</sup> 10 D & V Harris HARVIGOLD DEEALL BREAKER  
RN 2100516713 D Golden Retriever 98 points

3<sup>RD</sup> 27 D & V Harris HARVIGOLD STRIKE TRUE RN  
2100547014 D Golden Retriever 96 points

### CD Judge Phil Evans

1<sup>ST</sup> 39 Mr B Holden CH CHAMSHEP HOT CHILLI CCD.  
RA. TK.S 4100308863 B Belgian Shepherd Dog  
(Malinois) 195 points

2<sup>ND</sup> 31 Mr Floyde Gilbert FINN CCD 202653AR D  
Poodle (Miniature) 193 points

3<sup>RD</sup> 29 R. Cawthorne TEESHA RN 202566AR B  
Associate Register 192 points

### OPEN Judge Vickie Harris

1<sup>ST</sup> 49 Dr KM Rogers Ch TOBENLEE C IM YR HONEY  
CDX RM 3100350463 B Brittany 198 points

2<sup>ND</sup> 47 Ms M.K. Choice OCH ROCH PRANKSTA LADY  
MIA UDX RAE ET 2100307236 spay Staffordshire  
Bull Terrier 193 points

3<sup>RD</sup> 53 Mr J Liddell & Mrs C Liddell ERAKY AGNETHA  
BLONDE (AI) CCD. CD. RN. 2100440217 B Golden  
Retriever 193 points

### UD Judge Ron Probert

1<sup>ST</sup> 68 Ms D Reynolds OCH ROCH FARLEIGHSTUD  
GERDA UDX RM RAE6 2100407624 B Border Collie  
182 points

2<sup>ND</sup> 60 Mrs A Herbert RO.CH. GUNSMITH  
PONTIANUS POPE CCD CDX RAE 2100482888 B  
Labrador Retriever 181 points

3<sup>RD</sup> N/Q

### UDX Judge Darryl Turley

1<sup>ST</sup> 76 Ms D Reynolds OCH ROCH FARLEIGHSTUD  
GERDA UDX RM RAE6 2100407624 B Border Collie  
192 points

2<sup>ND</sup> N/Q

3<sup>RD</sup> N/Q



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## SATURDAY 20/11/2021 RALLY

### OBEDIENCE

#### NOVICE – Judge Ron Probert

1<sup>st</sup> 24 Mr E J McEniery POINTMORE BLACK RAIN  
(AI) 2100533033LR D German Shorthaired Pointer  
100 points

2<sup>nd</sup> 23 Ms J.M. Deith NORDENSTAMM LETHAL (AI)  
4100296640 B Belgian Shepherd Dog (Malinois) 97  
points

3<sup>rd</sup> 25 Ms J Taylor STYLWISE MR WILSON (AI)  
9100011799 D Bearded Collie 96 points

#### ADVANCE Judge Mandy Choice

1<sup>st</sup> 84 Mrs S. Powell KOOBALIES CAN U HEAR THE  
DRUMS RN 2100520128 D Schnauzer (Miniature)  
points 98

2<sup>nd</sup> 50 Ms D Reynolds OCH ROCH GLENLOY PLAY  
WITH TH DEVIL UDX RM RAE6 2100404582 D  
Border Collie points 95

3<sup>rd</sup> 49 Mr J Liddell & Mrs C Liddell ERAKY AGNETHA  
BLONDE (AI) CCD. CD. RN. 2100440217 B Golden  
Retriever points 91

#### EXCELLENT Judge Phil Evans

1<sup>st</sup> 62 Ms D Reynolds OCH ROCH GLENLOY PLAY  
WITH TH DEVIL UDX RM RAE6 2100404582 D Border  
Collie points 100

2<sup>nd</sup> 54 Ms D Reynolds OCH ROCH FARLEIGHSTUD  
GERDA UDX RM RAE6 2100407624 B Border Collie  
points 99

3<sup>rd</sup> 59 Mrs M McDonald & Miss S Stephens NEUTER  
CH FETCHNPOINT HOLY MACKEREL CCD RA  
2100446914 D Golden Retriever points 98

#### MASTERS Judge Shanelle Corben

1<sup>st</sup> 75 Dr KM Rogers Ch TOBENLEE C IM YR HONEY  
CDX RM 3100350463 B Britany points 93

2<sup>nd</sup> 73 Mrs C L Diebler BADGER RM RAE JD TK.S FS.S  
CCD 202351AR D Border Collie points 92

3<sup>rd</sup> 83 Mrs G De Vries CH SKYESFUHRE HAPPY GO  
LUCKY STAR AZ CDX RE 2100366622 B German  
Shepherd Dog points 91

## OBEDIENCE TRIAL 20/11/2021

#### CCD Judge Phil Evans

1<sup>st</sup> 14 Mrs M Wright BOBBY 202713AR D  
Australian Kelpie points 99

2<sup>nd</sup> 17 Ms R Jones RN HSAs GADHAR ZAK  
9100011874 D Border Collie points 98

3<sup>rd</sup> 8 Mrs S Murphy SINGHA PANDORA (AI) RN  
2100535681 B German Shepherd Dog points 97

#### CD Judge Veeni Craig

1<sup>st</sup> 29 Mrs H Garnett DUSZAH PROUD MEEKO  
2100492415LR D Border Collie points 197

2<sup>nd</sup> 36 Borealis Kennels CH CARRIDENE FORTUNE  
CMS AROUND (IMP NZL) RN 07720-2018 B  
Doberman points 191

3<sup>rd</sup> 42 Miss B Johnson JUKERAN SPLASH OF RAIN  
CCD, RN 2100469540 D Golden Retriever points  
187

#### OPEN Judge Mandy Choice

1<sup>st</sup> 54 Mr D W Turley & Mrs J E Turley AGILE ANY  
COLOUR U LIKE CD RA \ 3100380788 D Border  
Collie points 194

2<sup>nd</sup> 56 Borealis Kennels AUST GR CH HARDRADA  
BOBBY'S GIRL (IMP NZ) CCD CD RN 06376-2014 B  
Rottweiler points 188

3<sup>rd</sup> 46 Mr P J Hill JAYELEN HEIDIS HONEYBEE RN CD  
TD 2100392283 B Shetland Sheepdog points 185

#### UD Judge Jill Kaldor

1<sup>st</sup> 71 Ms B Conyers YEOVILLE CATCH MY DRIFT JD  
SD SPD CD 3100349214 D Border Collie points 170

2<sup>nd</sup> NQ

3<sup>rd</sup> NQ

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## UDX Judge Jill Kaldor

1<sup>st</sup> 77 Ms D Reynolds OCH ROCH FARLEIGHSTUD  
GERDA UDX RM RAE6 2100407624 B Border Collie  
points 189

2<sup>nd</sup> 79 Mrs B Spencer & Mr P Spencer O GR CH  
KERODAN OOPS I'M BLACK UDX DWDFI HTMI RM  
2100299362 B points 184

3<sup>rd</sup> NQ

## CHRISTMAS FOODS TO AVOID FOR YOUR DOG

**Ham and fatty offcuts** - The culprit here is an overdose of fat, which can cause pancreatitis. Pancreatitis is one of the most common illnesses that vet clinics are inundated with at Christmas time. Pancreatitis can cause vomiting, nausea, dehydration, and worsening illness. It can even leave your dog with a lifelong sensitivity to fat

**Macadamia nuts** - are highly poisonous to dogs. While the exact cause of the toxicosis is unknown, signs of macadamia nut poisoning include an inability to walk or stand, wobbly gait, tremors, hyperthermia, and vomiting.

**Grapes, sultanas and raisins** - Often found during Christmas within a fruit cake, fruit platter, or as part of a spiced meat sauce, grapes and their dehydrated versions can actually cause kidney failure in cats and dogs. No mince pies!!

**Alcohol** - Just like small children, cats and dogs are much more sensitive to alcohol than adult humans and can become poisoned very quickly. Alcohol is absorbed rapidly by the canine and feline body, and symptoms may include ataxia (walking wobbly), vomiting, decreased body temperature, loss of consciousness, or difficulty breathing

**Onions and garlic** - best to keep these away from your pets as they contain a toxin which can cause

damage to your dog's red blood cells. If enough red blood cells are destroyed, your dog could become anaemic, lethargic and weak.

**Chocolate** - contains theobromine and caffeine, which are both toxic to cats and dogs as they can't metabolise these compounds as well as humans can. Dark chocolate poses a higher risk than milk chocolate. Signs of chocolate toxicity may include vomiting, diarrhoea, seizures, tremors, and coma. The risk of chocolate toxicity directly depends on your pet's weight, how much they ate, and how dark it was. If your pet has ingested chocolate, you can calculate their risk of toxicity by inputting their weight, the type of chocolate, and how much was ingested into an online chocolate toxicity calculator – see link <http://www.askavetquestion.com/tools/chocolatecalculator.php>

Source: <https://www.petcircle.com.au/discover/christmas-food-toxic-to-pets>



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## Thinking of a road trip these holidays?



Dogs misbehaving in the car can drive you around the bend! Solving travel turmoil with your dog means working out what's wrong first. This is not as difficult to cure as you may think.

### Why does my dog misbehave in the car?

#### 1. Is your dog fearful?

One group of dogs is fearful of car travel because they have travel sickness. This is caused by continual rocking movement of the vehicle and the rapid passing of outside scenery. This is similar to travel sickness experienced by people and many dogs thus affected will be nauseous and will vomit. This is not a pleasant experience for man or dog!

- For such dogs, chewing often has an anti-vomiting effect. Try giving the dogs a pig's ear or Greenie to chew while you are travelling. This will distract the dog, make it happier about car travel and has at least some stomach-settling effect.
- A new motion sickness medication is available from your vet. It is non-drowsy and has been shown to work for up to 24 hours, so there is some flexibility in administration.

#### 2. Maybe your dog is overexcited

Perhaps your dog is overexcited by all the commotion that car travel involves.

This is because of:

- The excitement and commotion when preparing to leave
- The joyful prediction of the fun of the destination; and
- The continual flickering movement of the scenery passing at 110km/hr (a very unnatural speed for even the fastest of dogs)

This could be making your dog ecstatic and it may be barking, whining and pacing for the whole car trip.



#### 3. What about territorial aggression?

Do you feel your dog is too territorial in the car and is being aggressive? For some dogs, the car is an extension of their home range. When they see other dogs and or people passing, the dogs become territorial and will bark and growl, often quite ferociously. While all dogs can become sensitive to car travel, 'visually-coded' working dogs, especially border collies, cattle dogs and kelpies are most commonly affected. In addition, any dog of the terrier type is also likely to participate. Dogs of this type are very reactive to movement. That is why such dogs are useful for herding of cattle or sheep because the movement of the herd stimulates the dogs' instincts. When in a car, they cannot fail to become over-

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stimulated by the continual movement of objects that flick by quicker than a supercharged sheep!

## Treating travel fear

Treating car stress can be very tricky if for no other reason that when in the car, your duty is to drive safely. You can't do this if you are also trying to make your dog sit, stay and shut up at the same time. Nevertheless, the following processes should resolve the problem.

### 1. Obscuring Vision

Firstly, because most of the stimulation for your dog's misbehaviour is the visual overload it experiences, try obscuring its vision outside the vehicle.

- For small to medium-sized dogs, this is most safely achieved by having the dog in a transport cage or crate with semi-solid sides – the type you would commonly use to take your dog to the vet. With the dog in the cage, it cannot see through the windows.
- Transporting your dog in a transport cage is actually part of an effective process called the **Denning Principle**. You can also condition your dog to love the Den when it is at home so that it is more likely to enjoy the car when travelling inside the Den on the back seat. This also works well for many cats.
- For big dogs, try tethering them with a harness as low as possible in the car. Attach this to the centre of the back seat or to the middle of the back of the station wagon so they cannot get to the windows.

### 2. Train the Terror

You can also try to modify your dog's behaviour by progressively desensitising it to car travel. The goal is to create calm behaviour away from the car:

- Reward your dog for calm behaviour when it is in the stationary car with the doors open,
- and then with the door closed
- then try a short trip
- and gradually increase the length of the trips as your pooch learns to remain calm.



For this purpose, you need to develop a command/reward routine. There are several options but one is to train your dog to lie peacefully on a 'happy mat' and combine this with the Circle of Commands.

Try these steps:

- Place a dog-sized mat in your lounge-room and scent it with your own perfume or deodorant so that the smell of the mat is familiar and friendly. Every time you use the mat, the scent will help to calm the dog.
- Command your dog to GO TO BED and then to STAY on the scented mat for ten seconds. If he or she does so, reward it with a food treat and praise it!!
- Then command COME to remove it from the mat.

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- Do this circle of three commands (GO TO BED – STAY – COME) several times morning and evening so your pooch learns the new routine.

As your dog responds, increase the time of the STAY from ten to fifteen to twenty seconds and so on. Then, once the message has been learnt:

- Move the scented mat to the car
- Place the mat on the back seat and follow the same routine with all the car doors open.
- If your dog retains their calm demeanour, then close the doors, repeating the circle of commands many times to reward this calm behaviour.

In this manner, you are continually rehearsing the behaviour you want your dog to show when you are driving in the car, and your dog is enjoying it. Eventually try a test drive on a quiet road or even in a nearby car park that you can walk to, where it is safe to stop and start.

If your dog starts to get restless, immediately stop the car and command GO TO BED. Wait for the calm behaviour to return, reward this behaviour, and continue with your therapeutic car trip.

These processes are time consuming, but for many madly manic motorcar mutts this is the only way of getting them to over their travel terror!

## Medication for manic mutts

For some dogs, medication is the only practical way of managing the problem. While some dogs may only require medication for the nausea, others may need quick-acting anti-anxiety medications. For more information, please contact your veterinarian.

Source:

<https://www.brunkerroadvets.com.au/article/traveltrmoin/>



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