

**GYMPIE DOG
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GDOC Newsletter

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UPCOMING TRIALS-

JUN/JUL

Dat	Where	Day
15/6	Sunshine Coast OT / RO	Sa
16/6	Brisbane AT/JT	Su
22/6	Pine Rivers ROx2	Sa
23/6	Southside OTx2	Su
28- 30/6	STATE TRIALS AJ/JT/GT OT/RO	Fr-Su
3/7	Ipswich OT	WE
6/7	Caboolture OTx2/RO	Sa
7/7	Caboolture ATx2/JTx2	Su
13/7	Gympie OT/RO	Sa
14/7	Sunshine Coast AT/JT	Su
27/7	Agility Committee AT/JT	Sa
27/7	Hervey Bay OTx2/ROx2	Sa
27/7	Ipswich OT/ROx2	Sa
AT/ JT	Agility & Jumpers	
OT	Obedience	
RO	Rally-O	

Entries close 2 weeks
prior to trial date.

Upcoming July Trial !!!

Calling all HELPERS !!!!!

Can you press a stopwatch? Hold a leash? Or Write ??? Then we could use your help!!

All volunteers are welcome and very much appreciated. Our RallyO and Obedience trial is coming up on the 13th of July and a strong club presence gives a good impression to our entrants. If you are willing to help please let us know!

When:- Saturday 13th July, 2019

Where:- Gunalda Showgrounds

When:- 8:00am Saturday morning

Successful April Trial!

On the 28th of April, the Gympie Dog Obedience Club hosted its first Agility and Jumpers trial for the year. The day ran very smoothly and was enjoyed by all. We had 276 entries with many happy entrants walking away with qualifying certificates and placings.

CONGRATULATIONS to all!!!

We would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to all of those that came along to help! This has been our first trial where we have had an excellent show of volunteers from our own club to help on the day. These days are impossible to run without all of your help. I'm sure you all had fun watching the competing dogs being put through their paces.

We would also like to give a big thank-you to our judges for the day, Mrs Mechalle Anderson and Miss Moira Bruce. We loved having you!

Thank you Ann for the photos and thank you Nic for mopping up the water in the tunnels :)

"this old dog was disqualified for entering the tunnel from the wrong end"



Lucky's Lucky! Story by Nick Thompson



It was a night when a small terrier showed how well he'd been paying attention in class – and why he lived to tell the tale.

Lucky, a Jack Russell terrier, had just attended the seventh session in the Beginners Class programme where he'd been just introduced to the "LEAVE IT" command. Instructor Kerry Maguire said it would be useful if dogs ever encountered cane toads, rat poison or snakes.

Less than hour later, Lucky and his owner Nick had made their way home to Kin Kin and, with dinner on their minds, opened the door into the darkened house and began to make their way towards the kitchen.

The small dog ran on through the unlit living room where Nick, following behind, suddenly realised they had an unexpected visitor – a dark brown snake lazing across the floor in front of the TV. At

this point, the snake took off and Lucky's terrier instincts kicked into gear – it was time for a chase!

But then Nick shouted: "LEAVE IT". And Lucky, without a second's hesitation, did exactly that. He froze on the spot and simply watched as the snake darted for the nearest hiding place behind a low flight of stairs. A few seconds later it was trapped with seat cushions from a nearby couch jammed in place at either end

Lucky then took up guard on the stairs and waited patiently until the local snake catcher arrived and placed the unwelcome intruder under arrest.

In the end, it turned out the 1.2 metre wriggler was a Night Tiger (*Boiga irregularis*) which is classified as "moderately venomous" with a bite considered dangerous to small children and small animals – including Jack Russell terriers.



"Lucky may not be the star pupil in his class but he remembered the important stuff when it mattered," said Nick. "We're both really grateful to Kerry and club's excellent obedience classes."



Upcoming Events

Obedience and
RallyO Trial

When:-SATURDAY

13th July, 2019

8am Start

Where:- Gunalda Show
Grounds

Class 1 & 2 Update

The new class 1 has been sailing through their lessons with flying colours, despite having several different instructors over the course.

Class 1 and 2 are due to graduate on the 17th of June, and our new intake will now be on the 24th of June. We have had a few disruptions

this time due to weather and the Gypsie Show.

The class dogs 2 have all been progressing very well and most will also be graduating on the 17th and moving up to class 3. Some owners like to repeat a class (1 or 2) sometimes due to being ab-

sent or the dog needing more practice. This is perfectly fine and at no stage will we want you to progress beyond what you think you or your dog are capable. Your fees cover you for the whole year, so feel free to take your time if you need to.





Why Train Your Dog?

from Queensland Dog World Nov 2011

By Val Bonney (Canine Behavioural Specialist /
International Trainer / Author / Obedience Judge.)

Part 1

PRECONCEIVED IDEAS

"The dog is a dog — it doesn't need any training." "I've had dogs before and I can handle it." "I've got a big back yard, it'll be right." "Why do I need to train it? It'll be OK." These, and many more preconceived ideas, come to the minds of many people.

Did you know that the average age of a dog in Australia is three years old? That a dog grows approximately fifteen times faster than we do in the first year and ten times faster in the second year? That a dog sees moving objects at almost lightning speed? That their reflexes are much faster than ours? That a dog has only one thought in its conscious mind at a time — and that his current conscious thought is changed instantly by a new sight, sound or smell?

Can you keep up with that?

That is why dogs get out of hand so quickly in the family

home, and many are euthanised in the first two years. How sad is that? A little more education and this will cease to happen.

KEEPING YOUR NEW DOG OR PUP

Large or small, each dog is much better behaved if it is taken out into the big wide world which the pup or dog hasn't experienced yet. The earlier the better. Under good supervision, and given the right information, the dog and you will be better able to handle any situation that arises.

Dogs, of course, can be the greatest companions you will ever have. They ask for so little: food, a bed, a walk, care and understanding. These are the basic requirements for happiness together. Your dog or dogs will give you a lifetime of joy, companionship, loyalty, and sometimes security.

EARLY TRAINING

What a puppy learns between the ages of 8 to 16 weeks, forms the basis of its adult life. Good habits are formed during this time and future unwanted habits avoided. This young pup needs to experience different smells, noises, places, people, and the many shapes, sizes and smells of other dogs. The pup soaks up these new experiences like a sponge, and then stores them away for future peace of mind. The pup should not be allowed to over-react to any of these things, or to anything else it encounters as a first experience, in order to be able to handle them in the future without stress in its life.



In Our Next

Addition -

- An update from our Flyball team,
- A word from our Canine Disc Instructor
- How do I start competing in Agility?

Class 3 & 4 Update

Class 3 and 4 will still remain combined as we seem to be down on instructor again.

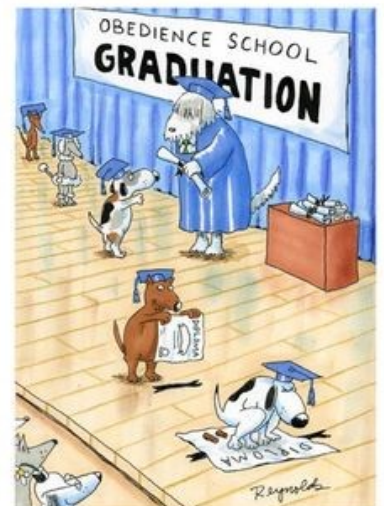
Occasionally, group 4 may break off to do some more advanced maneuvers or training for RallyO trials (instructors permitting).

Training does not follow a strict class structure like Class 1 & 2. If you miss some nights or even a term, it is quite ok to pick up where you

left off.

All attempt will be made to add relevant, interesting material that will improve your dog. Making it fun and exciting is always a challenge, but one we tackle as best we can.

Keep up the good work class 3 & 4!



Tracking Trial News

Gympie Dog Obedience Club held their second trial for the year on the 7th to the 10th of June.

The trial was held again at Tansy, our current tracking location. We are grateful to the owners of this property for allowing us to use this property. The club is however, always looking for new locations to host their tracking trials. Prospective properties need to be very large and be able to host 2 trials a year, May and June. If you are interested in helping please contact Helen Lofthouse PH: 0417712699

A big THANK YOU to our lovely judges joining us on the weekend ... Debbie Lamprech,

Tracey Knox, Annette Kirkwood and Dr Annette Dobson.

Congratulation to Bernadette and her canine companions for their qualifications!



New people continue to train on Wednesdays and progress is good we continue to have entries in our trial from Gympie members. Interested in tracking??? Contact Helen and she will gladly help with all you need to know.

More tracking photos can be found on the new website.

Next Tracking Trial is a Track & Search held in Gympie on the 26th—28th July.

Please let Helen know if you are able to help in any way.



NEW WEBPAGE!

After losing our old website, we are excited to announce the launch of our new one.

Information is given on all aspects of our training, including our new Canine Disc Sport. Contact numbers are also

given for specific specialty areas.

Newsletters can be downloaded straight from the webpage as well!

Go check it out!

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Next Club Meeting

17th June 2019

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NEXT CLASS STARTS..

24th June, 2019

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See Ann/Andrea**

A Variety of Items Available

- Club Shirts
- Check Chains
- Leads
- Clickers
- CCC Trial Books (Obedience, Rally-O, Agility)
- Lure Treats

