



The Tararua Tailwagger

November 2022

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or letting us know if you aren't able to get to class**

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Kia ora,

It's been a wet and wild Term 3, and now we are at Ashhurst for Term 4. The weather is looking better and the longer daylight hours help to make training more pleasant.

During the last term and the start of this one, there have been some exciting changes proposed for the future. We are looking at redesigning our website, so a lot of the paperwork and admin that is a heavy workload currently, will be managed more easily online. Online enrolment, payments, records and communication will reduce our paper war and manual record keeping. Functions like a FAQ page will hopefully provide support to class participants and those considering enrolling. Links to the wider world of dog training will be provided too.

We are also looking at refocusing on upskilling and supporting our instructor team with further training to provide them with even more depth of knowledge and skills to share with their classes. Thus a group of your instructors will be attending a domestic dog training seminar/conference the weekend of the 2nd of December and be able to share their experiences with you. We are also looking at our current system of mentoring new instructors to ensure we have a group that can cover all the training levels and activities the club provides.

We have got only a limited pool of instructors and committee personnel available at the moment, which does limit our ability to meet the demand for our services. If you have a bit of time to offer, we would welcome the opportunity for new people to join our team. Please let any of the current instructors or committee know about your interest, and we will invite you to come and see what is involved and how we support and mentor new members of the crew.

Given the difficult winter we have had and the unusual weather patterns that are predicted for this summer, do be aware of the possibility of the increased risk from toxic algal boom in the rivers and ponds this summer when you take your dogs to cool off. I advise checking the community notices or the Horizons links to the LAWA site <https://www.lawa.org.nz/explore-data/swimming/> for that sort of risk. I also strongly advise ensuring your dog's vaccinations are current because things like parvovirus have seasonal outbreaks. And yet, I hope, like me, you are looking forward to the longer days and being able to get your dogs out and about enjoying the beach and rivers this summer.

Whakapau kaha,
Jen

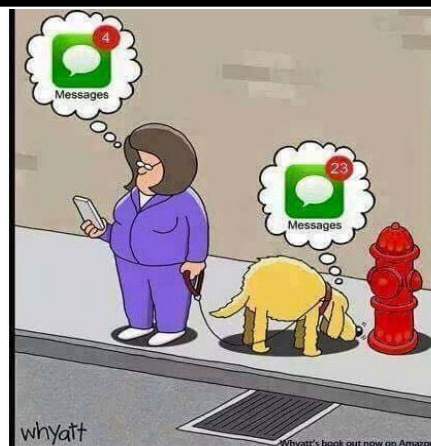
Your committee

- President: Jen H.
- Vice President: Sue C.
- Secretary: Dorothy Ch.
- Treasurer: Nerolie M.
- Publicity Officer: Elizaveta T.
- Club captain: Chris B.
- Enrolment Officer: Patricia S.

- Members:** Anthea F.
- Karin T.
- Owen M.

Non Committee

- Trophy Steward: Uvana C.



Term dates for 2023

Term 1 (at Ashhurst)
7.02.22 – 4.04.22

Term 2 (at Longburn)
TBC

Term 3 (at Longburn)
TBC

Term 4 (at Ashhurst)
TBC

Location of training

**In Ashhurst we train
at the Manawatu
Canine Centre
grounds, accessed
through the carpark
on Cambridge Avenue**

**Our Longburn facility
is in Ngaire Street
(first turn on the right
after the railway
overbridge)**

Class times

**Classes times will be
given out on the first
night of term.**

**Classes last for 30-45
minutes.**



CLUB MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

OBEDIENCE & WORKING TRIALS:

Cushla & Journey 25.09.22 South Rangitikei Dog Training Club, Test A – 1st place
10.10.22 Horowhenua Obedience Dog Training Club
CDX, highest qualifier
5.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Test A – 2nd place

Uvana & Epic 08.10.22 Hawkes Bay Dog Training Club, Test A – 5th place
5.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Test A – 5th place

Uvana & Mia 08.10.22 Hawkes Bay Dog Training Club, Test C – 2nd place
09.10.22 Hawkes Bay Dog Training Club, Test C – 4th place

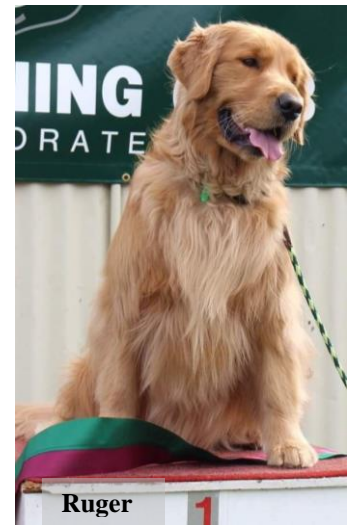
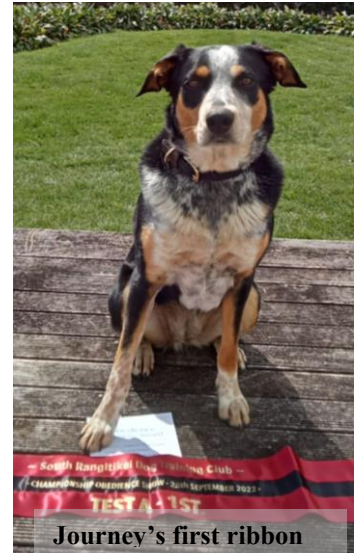
Tanya & Drive 17.09.22 Nelson Dog Training Club, Test A – 1st place
18.09.22 Nelson Dog Training Club, Test A – 2nd place
19.09.22 Nelson Dog Training Club, Test A – 3rd place
10.09.22 Horowhenua Dog Training Club, Test A – 1st place
11.09.22 Horowhenua Dog Training Club, Test A – 3rd place,
Test B – 5th place
25.09.22 South Rangitikei Dog Training Club, Test A – 3rd
place
21.10.22 National Dog Obedience Assembly, Test A – 2nd
place

Jade & Ruger 10.09.22 Horowhenua Dog Training Club, Beginners – 1st
place
02.10.22 Avalon Dog Training Club, CGC Bronze

Renee & Beau 23.10.22 New Zealand Kennel Club
CDX – silver qualifier

Karen & Tonka 12.11.22, Titahi Bay Canine Obedience, CGC Foundation, CGC Bronze

Ruth & Eli 12.11.22, Titahi Bay Canine Obedience, CGC Foundation, CGC Bronze



Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Test A
Cushla & Journey – 2nd, Uvana & Epic – 5th (second on the right)

Please, see the results and photos from TADTC's August shows on pp. 9-10



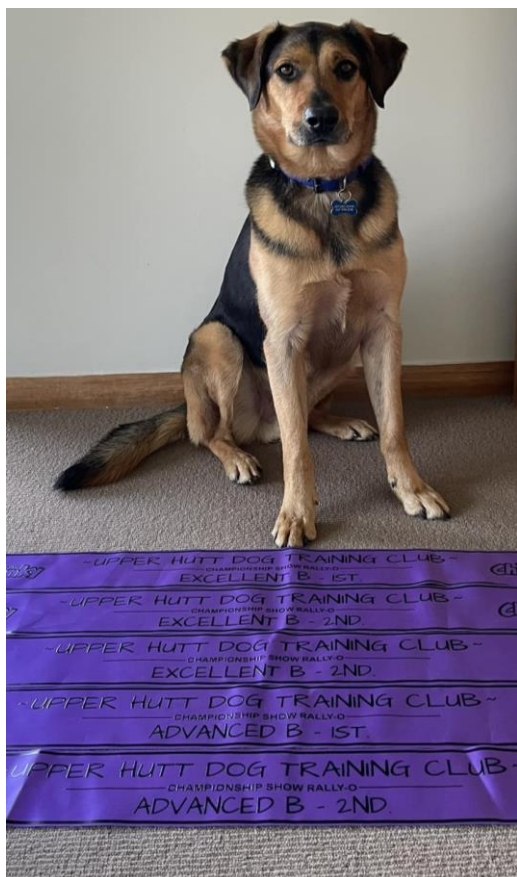
RALLY-O:

Renee & Beau

15.10.22 Manukau Dog Training club, Advanced B – 1st place
15.10.22 Manukau Dog Training club, Excellent B – 1st place
21.10.22, National Dog Obedience Assembly, Excellent B – 2nd place
22.10.22, National Dog Obedience Assembly, Advanced B – 4th place (full points)
22.10.22, National Dog Obedience Assembly, Excellent B – 3rd place
5.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Excellent B – 2nd place
5.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Advanced B – 1st place (full points)
5.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Excellent B – 2nd place (**full points**)
6.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Excellent B – 1st place & Advanced B – 2nd place (only qualifying in Advanced)

Eva & Jess

6.11.22 Upper Hutt Dog Training Club, Novice A – 1st place



**Beau (on the left)
Jess & Eva (below)**



SCENT WORK

Chris & Shilah

05.11.22 Kenson K9 Solutions SSANZ Trial, Intermediate qualifier (2nd quickest)
06.11.22 Kenson K9 Solutions SSANZ Trial, Intermediate qualifier (4th quickest)

Chris & Lani

05.11.22 Kenson K9 Solutions SSANZ Trial, Novice qualifier (best time)
06.11.22 Kenson K9 Solutions SSANZ Trial, Novice qualifier (best time)

Pat & Sugar

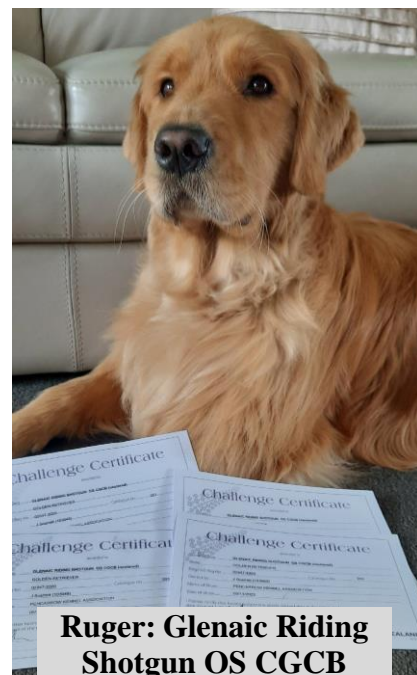
19.09.22 Hastings Scent Work Trial, Novice qualifier (check out Pat's story in Club's success stories)



BREED SHOW RESULTS

Jade & Ruger

06.11.22 Pencarrow Kennel Association: Show 3
Neutered Reserve Best Dog
Neutered Best Dog
Neutered Challenge Dog
First Neutered Dog
06.11.22 Pencarrow Kennel Association: Show 4
Neutered Reserve Best Dog
Neutered Best Dog
Neutered Challenge Dog
First Neutered Dog



Meredith & Islay

29.10.22 – Taupo Kennel – 2nd Baby Puppy Bitch
30.10.22 – Taupo Kennel – 1st Baby Puppy Bitch
and Baby Puppy of Breed
05.11.22 – Pencarrow Kennel – 1st Baby Puppy
Bitch and Baby Puppy of Breed
05.11.22 – Pencarrow Kennel – 2nd Baby Puppy
Bitch
06.11.22 – Pencarrow Kennel – 2nd Baby Puppy
Bitch
06.11.22 – Pencarrow Kennel – 2nd Baby Puppy Bitch



Islay (Speyside Scots Thistle) age 3 ½ months and the youngest in the class



A reminder to all competing club members to send their updates (and photos) to tailwagger.editor@gmail.com



Club's success stories

In this issue of Tailwagger, we are proud to present two stories from our members: Uvana and Patricia.

Uvana and Mia

My dog sport of choice is obedience. Back in mid-2015 whilst scrolling Trade Me I came across the cutest little puppy. She was a border collie cross from a farm in Wanganui. I took the next afternoon off work to go see her and it was love at first sight. Mia came home with me a couple of weeks later.

Back then I was wanting to get into agility but knew I needed a well-controlled dog. This is when my journey at Tararua Allbreeds started.

Like most of you, we started in the junior class and worked our way up through the grades. Mia absolutely loved coming to the classes and learnt very quickly. We joined the competition obedience class and have never looked back.

Competition obedience is kind of like dressage for dogs. It is judged on how well the dogs do certain exercises. Dogs are marked on things like heelwork, recall, retrieve, stays and scent. There are 5 classes at championship level – Beginners, Novice, Test A, Test B and Test C. As you go up the grades it gets harder and more exercises are added. In Beginners and Novice you can talk to your dog during the tests but from Test A upwards you can't.

I've been competing now with Mia for around 5 years and have a younger dog called Epic. Mia has made it up to the top level (Test C) and I hope to make her up to an Obedience Champion. Epic has only been competing for a year or so but is coming along nicely in Test A.

For anyone thinking about getting into dog sports, obedience is lots of fun. I've made some amazing friends along the way and thoroughly enjoy going to shows. Talk to your instructor if you would like to know more about competitive obedience.



In competition: Team at work



Training together is fun!

Patricia and Sugar

Scent Work: A new sport for Sugar and me.

When Sugar became a CGC Gold Qualifier, I was looking for something new to learn and experience for both of us.

It was a great opportunity when Christine offered scent work as an advanced class at our club, and I was very excited to give it a go.

I had experience with man trailing from years ago and really enjoyed the activity. However, it becomes very time-consuming with getting different people to

prepare longer and longer trails in different locations for the dog, sometimes the day before, and so on. So, here we were back to working dogs' noses, but this time with a different approach.

Everything is doable from home (although it gets better and more exciting in different locations). Once you have an understanding and all the accessories you need (basically a scent, ice cream containers, a long leash or a piece of string and a harness for your dog if you decide to invest a bit more 😊) you are good to go, and the time investment is very manageable.

For me, nose work is so awesome, because it offers an activity that even older dogs can enjoy, as it has a very low impact on the body, especially the joints. It is demanding on the noses and brains of the dogs which really tires them out and gives them satisfaction (the brain work for the handlers is not to be forgotten here as well!). And it is an activity where the dog is leading you in contrast to obedience, where you lead the dog. So, this is a completely new activity and experience for the dog & handler team.

Sugar and I are definitely hooked and managed to become Novice Scent Work Qualifiers at our first trial in Hastings.

If you want to share your story, please, email tailwagger.editor@gmail.com

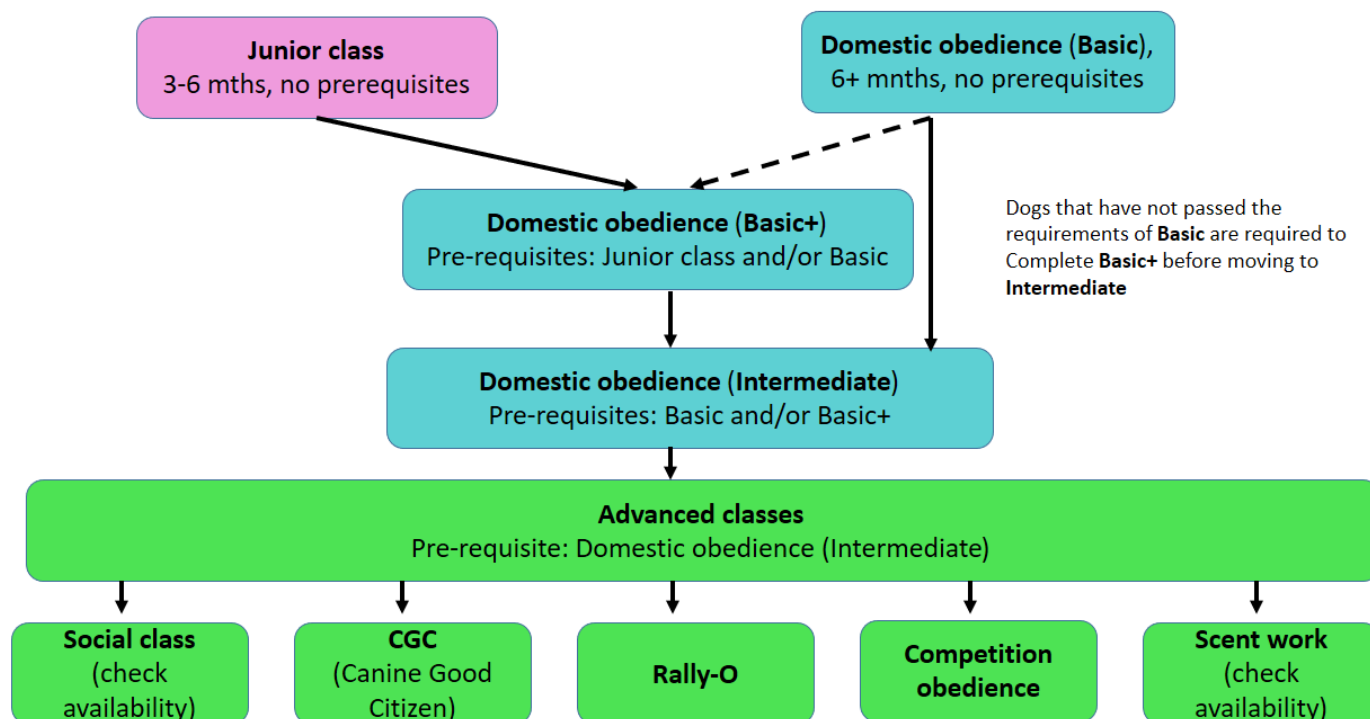
Planning your future training

It is now a good time to plan for your training in the coming year. Please, refer to the figure below to understand the prerequisites for classes and learn about the advanced options that our club offers. Please, note that to take advanced classes, your dog needs to pass Basic/Basic+ and Intermediate levels.

It is compulsory for your dog to be fully vaccinated (proof of vaccination is required on enrolment).

If you have successfully passed the requirements of the Intermediate level, it is a great idea to pick one of our advanced classes to build a stronger bond with your dog and enhance the skills your dog learnt in the domestic obedience classes.

Please, talk to your instructor to discuss the best option for your dog.



Recipe to try: Pumpkin and peanut butter cookies

(the recipe is adapted from the original recipe published at www.allrecipes.com)

Ingredients:

- 2 ½ cups whole wheat flour (can be replaced for coconut flour)
- 2 large eggs
- ½ - ¾ cup steamed and pureed pumpkin
- 3 tablespoons peanut butter (make sure xylitol is not one of the ingredients)
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon water, or more if necessary (optional)



Photo from www.allrecipes.com

Steps:

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. Combine 2 cups of flour, eggs, pumpkin, peanut butter, salt, and cinnamon in a bowl; stir with a spatula until combined.
3. Transfer mixture to a work surface and knead it with your hands until mixture starts to come together. As you are working the dough, add the remaining ½ cups of flour gradually. Add 1 teaspoon water at a time (only if needed) to help make the dough workable, but don't add too much as it should be dry and stiff.
4. Roll the dough to a thickness of 1-1.5 cm. If you don't have a dog bone dough cutter (as in the picture), cut into 2X2 cm pieces and transfer to a baking sheet lined with baking paper.
5. Bake in the preheated oven until dog treats are golden brown and crunchy, about 40 minutes. Let cool before serving to your dog.

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Game to try: Middle and side

Engaging in physically and mentally stimulating exercise with your dog is a great way to keep them healthy. It also strengthens your bond. Here's a simple game from Karin (who knows a lot about and loves games) that you can try with your pooch in your free time.

Helps with reactivity, recall and listening to you.

Helps boost confidence and value for proximity.

You will need: You + dog + Food or toy



Step 1:

Start with your dog in front of you. Lure your dog around your leg and into a middle position between your legs. Feed.

Step 2:

Throw a piece of food away and when the dog returns lure around your leg again into middle position. Feed.

Step 3:

Throw a piece of food away and when the dog returns lure around your body to your side. Feed.

Step 4:

Vary the positions between middle, left side and right side.

Remember to keep the play sessions short, max 3 min at a time, and have fun!

Instructors' best tips: Food aggression

Our experienced instructors are committed to your safety and the safety of your dog. This valuable advice on how to deal with food aggression comes from Sue, the instructor and the Vice President of the Club.

Food aggression is not an uncommon behavior when dogs become overly protective of their food. It can become an issue since those living with the dog could be at risk of being bitten. If not managed promptly and properly, it could also lead to your dog becoming possessive in other areas of its life.

It is important that your dog is comfortable with having people close by while it is eating. Signs that your dog may be uncomfortable with someone around during meal times include not only the obvious growling or showing teeth or hackles, but also going very still and, perhaps, looking at you sideways, crouching over the bowl, or speeding up eating.



Photo by Bethany Ferr: <https://www.pexels.com>

A good way to put your dog more at ease with eating near people is to, once a week or so, save some “extra special” treats (the end of the roast, a piece of nice cheese, etc.) and put them in the dog's bowl while it is eating. If it is at all uncomfortable with this, toss the treat from a safe distance until it gets used to the idea. The aim is for the dog to think that you approaching its bowl is a very good thing indeed, and even to back off a little to make adding the treat easier. For safety, small children should never be allowed near a dog while it is eating.

Contact details for the club:

Website: www.dogtraining.org.nz

Facebook: Taranua Allbreeds Dog Training Club

Email: tadtc@yahoo.co.nz – for information & queries

Please, email your news, updates, details and ideas for stories to tailwagger.editor@gmail.com



Results from TADTC shows.

We were not able to include the photos and results from the shows that our club ran on the 27th and 28th of August, so we are publishing them in this edition of Tailwagger instead. We hope to have more of our members attend and participate in the next year's shows. Please, keep an eye on our website and Facebook updates. We hope to see you there!

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Saturday 27th August 2022



Beginners



Novice



Test A



Test B



Test C



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Teams Trophy winners, Howhenua

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Beginners



Novice



Test A



Test B



Test C

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