



# The Tararua Tailwagger

October-November 2023

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

## Message from the President

It's hard to believe that it will be December later this week (and in a matter of weeks will be 2024).

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our Club members for all the volunteering they have done. From instructing classes (many of our instructors teach multiple classes each week), to helping with club events and to the Committee for overseeing the running of the club.

Also, I'd like to thank you, our students, for making time each week to strengthen your relationship with your dog/s and work as a team with your dog to make life in the human world a bit easier for them.

This year the club ran a number of activities:

- February: Rally championship show plus obedience ribbon trial
- April: CGC assessment plus rally, obedience and scent training rings
- May: Scent trial
- June: Scent training rings
- July: Obedience, rally and scent training rings
- August: Obedience championship show plus rally ribbon trial

It has been great to see a number of club members achieve excellent results with their dogs this year across a number of disciplines. For me, it is always exciting to see newer handlers competing with their dogs, and I get a kick out of seeing how far they have come from when they first came to the Club to join the basic class.

Special congratulations must go to Renee Cornwall for making her Huntaway Beau up to Rally Obedience Champion (Beau is Tararua's first Rally Champion). Renee and Beau have put a lot of time and travel in to achieve this milestone.

We look forward to seeing many of you join us again next year for classes. Keep an eye out on the club Facebook page and website for details of when enrolments open.

Enjoy your break from dog club over the festive season and keep up the good work at home.

Here's to a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Cheers,  
Anthea

President: Anthea F.  
Vice President: Meredith P.  
Secretary: Sue C.  
Treasurer: Nerolie M.  
Senior instructor: Cushla F.  
Publicity Officer: Elizaveta T.  
Club captain: Dorothy C.  
Enrolment Officer: Elizaveta T.  
**Members:** Jess L., Monique C.,  
Owen M., Tanya E.  
**Non Committee:**  
Trophy Steward: Uvana C.



## Term dates for 2024

**Term 1 (at Ashhurst)**  
23.01.24 – 19.03.24

**Term 2 (at Longburn)**  
16.04.24 – 11.06.24

**Term 3 (at Longburn)**  
2.07.24 – 27.08.24

**Term 4 (at Ashhurst)**  
1.10.24 – 26.11.24

## 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

- 5.11.23 Upper Hutt DTC, Test B, 4<sup>th</sup> place
- 19.10.23 NDTA Working Dog Trials, WD Qualifier, award for Best WD leash work
- 21.10.23 NDTA Obedience Show 1, Test A, 4<sup>th</sup> place
- 23.10.23 NDTA Obedience Show 3, Test A, 2<sup>nd</sup> place

### Wendy & Shelby

- 19.10.23 NDTA Working Dog Trials, UD Highest Qualifier, UDX Qualifier, Best Track award
- 20.10.23 NDTA Obedience Show 1, Beginner, 6<sup>th</sup> place
- 22.10.23 NDTA Obedience Show 2, Beginner, 7<sup>th</sup> place

### Leesa & Lyric

- 19.10.23 NDTA Working Dog Trials, TD Highest Qualifier, Best Leash Track

### Renee & Beau

- 19.10.23 NDTA Working Dog Trials, WD Highest Qualifier



Cushla & Journey



Leesa, Wendy, and Renee

### Tanya & Drive

- 23.10.23 NDTA Obedience Show 3, Test C, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Challenge Certificate for 297/300 points



Drive

### Robyn & Trip

- 8.10.23 Napier DTC, Test C, 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- 12.11.23 Taupo DTC, Test C, 4<sup>th</sup> place

### Brigit & Freya

- 23.10.23 NDTA Working Dog Trials, CDX Qualifier, Highest Qualifier Prize

### Monique & Echo 2

- 3.10.23 NDTA Obedience Show 3, Beginner, 4<sup>th</sup> place
- 8.10.23 Napier DTC, Elementary 1, 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- 8.10.23 Napier DTC, Elementary 2, 1<sup>st</sup> place



Echo



## RALLY-O

### Lucy & Moccacino

22.10.23 NDTA, Novice A, 1<sup>st</sup> place (full points)

23.10.23 NDTA, Novice A, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

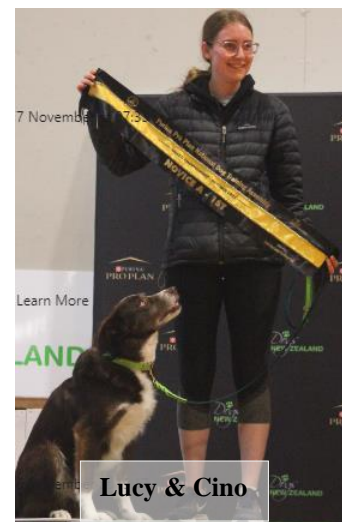
### SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO RENEE & BEAU ON THE RALLY-O CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE!!!

The results demonstrated by Renee and Beau are indicative of their hard work and commitment.

Beau is now the official Rally-O Champion (and the first Rally-O Champion for our Club)!

Beau's official name, as can be seen in the picture, reflects the team's achievements in various dog sports including Rally-O, Working Dog Trials, Obedience, CGC, and Scentwork.

Renee and Beau plan to continue working on excelling in various disciplines, and we are looking forward to seeing the results from this great team!



### Renee & Beau

21.10.23 NDTA, Advanced B, 3<sup>rd</sup> place (full points)

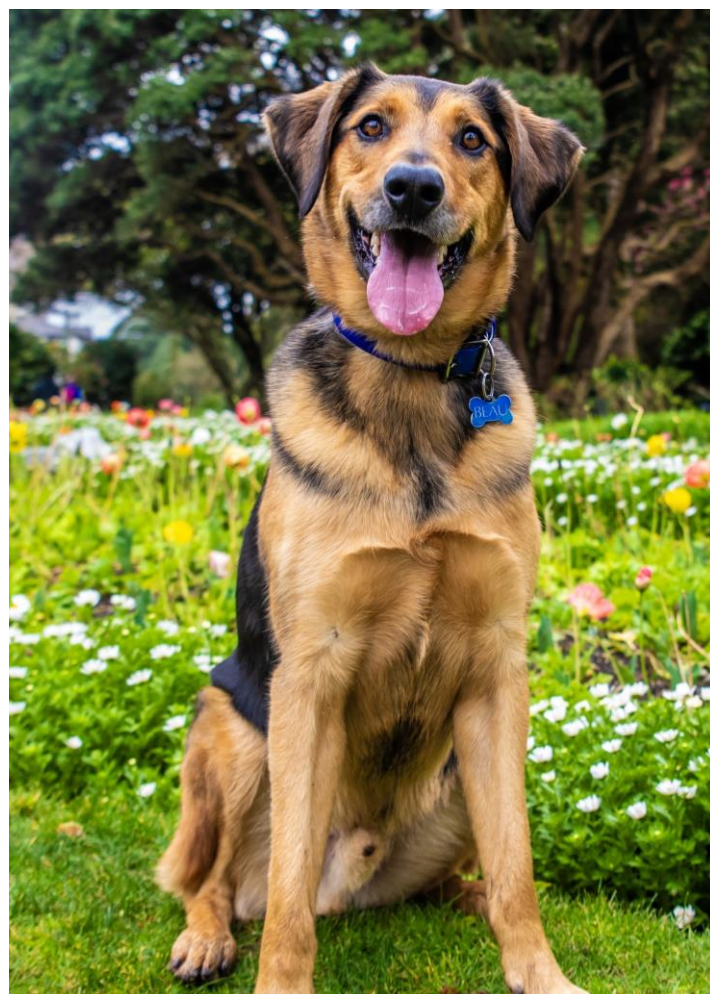
21.10.23 NDTA, Excellent B, 3<sup>rd</sup> place (full points)

21.10.23 NDTA, Encore, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

22.10.23 NDTA, Encore, 1<sup>st</sup> place (full points)

22.10.23 NDTA, Show 1, Excellent B, 4<sup>th</sup> place

23.10.23 NDTA, Excellent B, 2<sup>nd</sup> place



**RO CH Waimarino's Beau Of Winiata CDXS  
UDX WDX TT1 RAE3 EP ON SN NCS NVS  
CGC G**



Renee & Beau



## SCENTWORK

### Christine & Lani



Lani

30.09.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Intermediate Qualifier, Judge's Choice Award for Interior search  
01.10.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Intermediate Qualifier

**Lani will now progress to the Advanced Level within the SSANZ trials format. Congratulations!!!**



Sugar

### Patricia & Sugar

30.09.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Intermediate Qualifier  
14.10.23 Novice Dogs NZ Scent Trial, Tokoroa DTC, Containers A, Containers B, Interior, Exterior, Vehicle; Judge's Choice Award for Interior search  
15.10.23 Novice Dogs NZ Scent Trial, Tokoroa DTC, Containers A, Containers B, Interior, Exterior, Vehicle, Judge's Choice Award for Interior and Container B searches  
25.11.23 SSANZ Trial, Rotorua DTC, Intermediate Qualifier, Judge's Choice Award for Vehicle search



Wendy & Shelby

### Wendy & Shelby

30.09.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Novice Qualifier  
01.10.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Novice Qualifier, Judge's award for Novice Vehicle search  
20.10.23 NDTA Scentwork Trial, Novice Container A, Novice Container B, Novice Vehicle, Judge's Choice Award for Vehicle search

### Elizaveta & Vega

30.09.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Novice Qualifier, Judge's award for the Novice Interior search, Top Qualifier  
20.10.23 NDTA Scentwork Trial, Novice Vehicle

### Lucy & Cino

20.10.23 NDTA Scentwork Trial, Novice Container A, Novice Vehicle

### Elizaveta & Saoirse

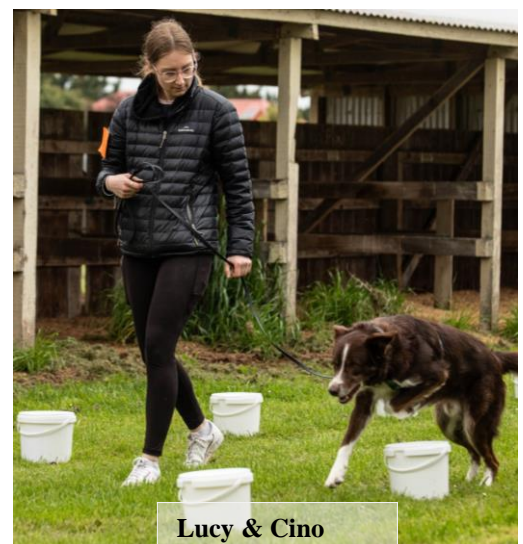
1.10.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Novice Qualifier

### Renee & Beau

20.10.23 NDTA Scentwork Trial, Novice Vehicle

### Chris & Jess

1.10.23 SSANZ Trial, Horowhenua DTC, Judge's award for the Novice Container search



Lucy & Cino



## First timer's impressions of NDTA

*This year's NDTA was a very special event for Monique and Echo, for whom this was their first competition at the official Dogs NZ Obedience Level (Beginner) and the first time participating in a nation-wide dog obedience competition. Monique and Echo came 4<sup>th</sup> in their test on 23 October, and their performance in the ring was inspiring. Congratulations to Monique and Echo! Tailwagger asked Monique to share her impressions of the event with our readers.*

It's been a long few days. On the 18th of October, the marathon that was the National Dog Training Show started.

I started on **Day 2** (19th Oct) with assisting in the Working Trials. I laid 2 tracks and was supposed to lay a third when I fell in the ditch much to the amusement of everyone there. The amazing Leesa took me to her house and cleaned me up and it was easier to laugh about when I was clean.

**Day 3** (20th Oct) was the start of Obedience Show 1. I assisted with moving a lot of dog food. I had some time to take Echo into the rings to get used to the area as she had never competed indoors before. The day also involved some set up and the welcome. The welcome included the presentation of working trials where I was given a special prize for falling in a ditch. It was an amazing dog training vest.

**Day 4** (21st Oct) was Teams Event and finishing the show from the first day. I had the runners job for the event where I took scores from the judge to the scoreboard so everyone could see.

**Day 5** (22nd Oct) was Obedience Show 2, and I assisted with Hot scent and Stay stewarding for Test C and helped (a small amount) to set up for the party that night.



**Day 6** (23rd Oct) was the final Obedience Show (number 3) and my turn to compete. I could not have been happier with how our heelwork went. First time doing on-lead and off-lead with Echo, and she was not going to go say hello to the judge or steward (as she likes to do). I was holding back my excitement so I didn't hype her up too much. Lots of cuddles after the recall (which had some problems 😊). She did her stays, then we did a run-off as well. It was my first run-off, and it was a learning curve (and we'll leave it at that 😊). I was very proud when I was called up for 4th on 72.5 points out of 75. I was on challenge points and only lost 0.5 in my on-lead heelwork and 0.5 in the off-lead heelwork.

It was an amazing event, and I got to watch some amazing people and cheer them on as they competed and did well. Congratulations to everyone who placed!!!

I am so thankful to so many people who helped me get to this point. Tanya, Anthea, and Cushla have been my instructors from the beginning and each have given me so much to think about. I want to thank you all so much for the support throughout the weekend and before. Especially for reminding me to think of how far I've come.

Looking forward to more training and putting in more work to see how far we can go 🐾🐾.



**Well done, everyone!**

## Something exciting to try with your dog this summer

If you've ever thought you'd like to do some tracking with your dog, Working Trials (WT) is the sport for you. You must learn to interpret your dog's actions to work out whether they're on the track or not. Here's an exciting opportunity to spend a great weekend with your dog and learn new skills.

Have fun working as a team with your best mate  
Give tracking a go with the Central Working Trials Club ...



# Working Trials Seminar

19-21 January 2024

- Catering for all levels of trials
- A focus on handlers and dogs new to trialling
- Includes "the famous night track"
- Learn track planning, line handling & more
- Have fun with search & control exercises
- Enjoy the great outdoors!



Held at Foxton Boys Brigade Camp, Fabrin Street, Foxton Beach.

Cost: \$150 per person, observers (no dog) \$100 per person.

Includes accommodation Friday & Saturday nights, all meals and instruction.

Entry details in the December Dog World or contact Leesa Burns | [kellkryshenborders@gmail.com](mailto:kellkryshenborders@gmail.com) | 027 340 2789



## Recipes to try: Summer treats for your dog

With summer and the warmer weather coming, it is important that your dog does not get overheated. This may make you wonder “What can I give my pup to cool down?” There are many fun treats that you can make at home for your dog to keep him cool and happy!

Before heading to the kitchen, there are a few ingredients you should always avoid when making treats for your pets. NEVER put xylitol (an artificial sweetener that can sometimes be found in peanut butter), raisins, grapes, or chocolate in your dogs’ treats!

Remember, give treats in moderation to avoid excessive calories. Pet owners should also know that eating a large amount of food too fast can lead to bloating and abdominal pain. Also, some dogs can be very sensitive to eating new things like yogurt and this can lead to upset stomach (vomiting and diarrhea). Any concerns about your pet’s health should be addressed with your family veterinarian. If you are not sure that your dog will be fine with the ingredients of homemade dog treat recipes, please consult with your veterinarian before giving treats to your dog to keep them safe.

Here are two recipes that your dog will enjoy.

### Peanut Butter and Fruit Freezies



#### Ingredients:

1 cup berries (strawberries, blueberries or raspberries)  
¼ cup water  
A few tablespoons of peanut butter that doesn’t contain xylitol (check the label!)

#### Method:

Wash and clean fruit (cut tops off strawberries)  
Puree fruit in a blender with water  
Place fruit puree in an ice cube tray or silicone mold, filling  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the way  
Add a small amount of peanut butter to each mold  
Freeze until completely frozen.

### Frozen Kong

A Kong toy can provide hours of entertainment for a dog and it can be filled with many different types of ingredients. Pre-made cheese-like products or peanut butter can be used to fill the Kong and then freeze, or you can make your own delicious mixture! Here are some examples.

#### Cheese Kong:

1 cup of boiled potato, ½ cup plain cottage cheese, ½ cup low-fat cheese

#### Fruit Kong:

1 banana, 1 cup yogurt, 1 tsp. honey

#### Chicken and carrot Kong:

1 cup cooked sweet potato, handful of shredded, boiled chicken, handful of cooked carrots, 1 tbsp. yogurt.



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