

# The Tararua Tailwagger

## Term 1 2024

### Message from the Club President:

Well done to all who attended training classes this term. I hope you have enjoyed learning how to train your dog. This first quarter has been a very busy time for club members. A lot of behind the scenes work goes into planning classes, the AGM and events.

In February the club's annual championship rally show was held in conjunction with the Feilding Dog Training Club. This double show weekend resulted in the largest number of rally entries the club has ever had. Thank you very much to a very small group of club members who pulled together this show. Congratulations to our club members who placed at the show.

Early March we held the club's Annual General Meeting where the committee was elected. The committee is charged with overseeing the day to day running of the club. Thank you to everyone who attended (or sent their apologies) and to those who agreed to be on the 2024 committee. I would also like to thank the 2023 committee members for their time and commitment to the club. We had a couple of the previous members retire from committee, and I would like to thank Dot and Owen for their service. I'd also like to thank Uvana for her work as our Trophy Steward.

Also during early March the club held their first buried hides scent trial in conjunction with Horowhenua Obedience Dog Training Club. Once again the organising was done by a very small group. It was once again great to see club members who placed, congratulations teams.

Also, excitingly Uvana and Mia became the club's third obedience champions in late February. Congratulations ladies on your fabulous achievement.

We look forward to welcoming many of you back to training for term 2 at Longburn starting on 16th April. Details of when enrolments will open will be sent out. As we are entering Autumn don't forget to make sure you and your dog are visible when walking in low light.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to our club members and their families who have recently said goodbye to a treasured furry family member. Run free Serge, Lucas and Freya.

Tararua Allbreeds Dog Training Club President, Anthea Finlayson

### Your 2024 Committee:

**President** – Anthea Finlayson

**Vice President** – Meredith Pitcher

**Secretary** – Sue Cooper

**Treasurer** – Nerolie Morrison

**Senior Instructor** – Cushla Fitzwater

**Club Captain** – Jess Lane

**Webmaster and Enrolment Officer** – Liza Tarasova

**Publicity Officer and Trophy Steward** – Monique Connelly

**Committee Members** – Tanya Emms and Jade Scarrett

### Term Dates for 2024

Term 1 (at Ashhurst)  
23 Jan – 19 March

Term 2 (at Longburn)  
16 April – 11 June

Term 3 (at Longburn)  
2 July – 27 Aug

Term 4 (at Ashhurst)  
1 Oct – 26 Nov

### 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 Ngair Street (first turn on the right after the railway overbridge)

### Class times

Classes times will be given out on the first night of term (from 6 to 7pm).  
Classes last for 30-45 minutes.

### Contact Us

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# Club Member Results



## OBEDIENCE

**Brigid Allen and Token**

20.01.2024 Titahi Bay DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Novice  
27.01.2024 Rotorua DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Novice  
28.01.2024 Rotorua DTC, 5<sup>th</sup> Novice  
25.02.2024 Horowhenua DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Novice

**Monique Connelly and Echo**

06.02.2024 Fielding DTC (Ribbon Trial), 5<sup>th</sup> Beginners

**Robyn Bland and Tripp**

02.12.2023 Wellington Canine DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Test C  
29.01.2024 Rotorua DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Test C  
10.02.2024 Kapiti DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Test C  
11.02.2024 Kapiti DTC, 5<sup>th</sup> Test C  
25.02.2024 Horowhenua DTC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Test C (Challenge)  
16.03.2024 Wairarapa DTC, 5<sup>th</sup> Test C  
17.03.2024 Wairarapa DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Test C  
11.03.2024 Fielding DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Novice

**Robyn Bland and Era**

**Tanya Emms and Drive**

21.01.2024 Titahi Bay DTC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Test C  
27.01.2024 Rotorua DTC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Test C (Challenge)  
28.01.2024 Rotorua DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Test C  
29.01.2024 Rotorua DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Test C  
24.02.2024 Horowhenua DTC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Test C (Challenge)



Tanya and Drive had a great day at Horowhenua

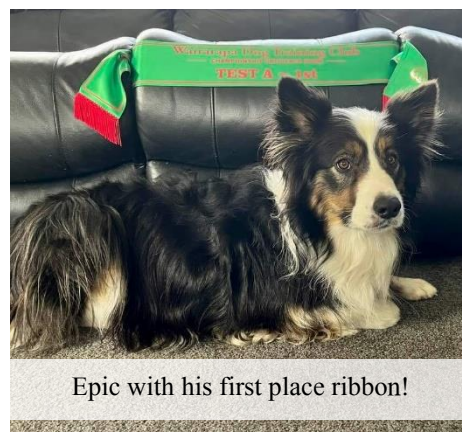
**Uvana Chadwick and Epic**

20.01.2024 Titahi Bay DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Test A  
10.02.2024 Kapiti DTC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Test A  
11.02.2024 Kapiti DTC, 5<sup>th</sup> Test A  
25.02.2024 Horowhenua DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Test A  
09.03.2024 Fielding DTC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Test A  
17.03.2024 Wairarapa DTC, 1<sup>st</sup> Test A  
11.02.2024 Kapiti DTC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Test C

**Uvana Chadwick and Mia**

**Leesa Burns and Lyric**

10.03.2024 Fielding DTC, 4<sup>th</sup> Test A



Epic with his first place ribbon!

Epic with his first place ribbon!

## WORKING TRIALS

**Leesa Burns and Lyric**

02.12.2023 Central Working Trials Club, TD qualification, Best Leash Track, Highest Qualifier (also the Morgan Cup for Highest Qualifier)  
03.12.2023 Central Working Trials Club, TD qualification, Best Hard Surface Track, Highest Qualifier (also the Robinson Cup for Highest Qualifier)

Leesa and Lyric also achieved the 2023 Central Region Working Trials Top Dog!!  
This means that across 2023 they had the highest total points of any team.

This shows consistency across the year.  
Big congratulations to this amazing team!!



Leesa & Lyric with their region ribbon





## RALLY-O

**Liza Tarasova and Saoirse** 17.02.2024 Tararua Allbreeds DTC, Novice A qualifier, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
 09.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice A qualifier, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
 10.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice A qualifier

**Liza Tarasova and Vega** 09.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice A qualifier  
 10.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice A qualifier, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

**Monique Connelly and Echo** 18.02.2024 Tararua Allbreeds DTC, Novice A qualifier  
 09.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice A qualifier  
 10.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice A qualifier 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

**Jess Lane and Eva** 17.02.2024 Tararua Allbreeds DTC, Novice B qualifier  
 18.02.2024 Tararua Allbreeds DTC, Novice B qualifier  
 09.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice B qualifier  
 10.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice B qualifier  
 Novice Bronze Qualification – Jess and Eva have achieved their Novice bronze qualification meaning, they have 10 qualifications in Novice. Well done!



Eva and Jess rocking Rally-O

**Lucy Tannahill and Cino** 18.02.2024 Tararua Allbreeds DTC, Novice B qualifier, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
 18.02.2024 Fielding DTC, Novice B qualifier  
 10.03.2024 Hawkes Bay DTC, Novice B qualifier 1<sup>st</sup> Place

## SCENT WORK

**Liza Tarasova and Vega**  
 02.02.24 Hide and Scent SSANZ Novice Buried Hides Trial, water and sand qualifier  
 04.02.24 A.C.E. SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Novice qualifier, Top Qualifier award  
 01.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Intermediate Nosework Trial, Intermediate qualifier  
 02.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Intermediate Nosework Trial, Intermediate qualifier  
 02.03.24 TADTC SSANZ Novice Buried Hides Trial, water and sand qualifier

**Liza Tarasova and Saoirse**  
 03.02.24 A.C.E. SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Novice qualifier  
 02.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Novice qualifier



### Patricia Sauermann-Wehde and Hix

03.02.24 A.C.E. SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Runner-Up Highest Novice Qualifier  
 04.02.24 A.C.E. SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Novice Qualifier and Judges Choice Award for containers  
 24.02.24 Rotorua DTC SSANZ Scent Work Trial, Novice Qualifier and Judges Choice Award for containers  
 25.02.24 Rotorua DTC SSANZ Scent Work Trial, Novice Qualifier  
 02.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Nosework Trial, Novice Qualifier and Judges Choice Award for interior search  
 03.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Nosework Trial, Highest Novice Qualifier  
 10.03.24 Horowhenua Gun Dog Club Training Day, Qualifier for the Novice Beginner Bronze Certificate

### Patricia Sauermann-Wehde and Sugar

04.02.24 A.C.E. SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Intermediate Qualifier  
 02.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Nosework Trial, Intermediate Qualifier and Judges Choice Award for exterior search and containers  
 03.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Nosework Trial, Intermediate Qualifier



Lucy Tannahill and Cino 04.02.24 A.C.E. SSANZ Novice Nosework Trial, Judges choice for Interior  
02.03.24 HOTDC SSANZ Nosework Trial, Novice qualifier  
02.03.24 TADTC SSANZ Novice Buried Hides Trial, Sand qualifier



## BREED

Robyn Bland and Era

18.02.2024 Wanganui & District Gundog Society - 2nd Junior Dog



Meredith Pitcher and Nevis

- 06.12.23 Hutt Valley Kennel Show 1, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
Hutt Valley Kennel Show 2, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
07.12.23 Kapi-Mana Kennel Show 1, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
Kapi-Mana Kennel Show 2, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
09.12.23 Wairarapa Kennel Show 1, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
Wairarapa Kennel Show 2, Best Neuter Bitch, Best of Breed, and Best Neuter of Group  
10.12.23 Wairarapa Kennel Show 1, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
20.01.24 Manawatu Kennel Show 1, Best Neuter Bitch and Reserve Best of Breed  
Manawatu Kennel Show 2, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
21.01.24 Wanganui Kennel Show 1, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
Wanganui Kennel Show 2, Best Neuter Bitch and Best of Breed  
17.02.24 Horowhenua Kennel, Best Neuter Bitch, Best of Breed, and Reserve Best of Neuter Group

Jade Scarrett and Ruger

- 13.01.2024 Central Hawkes Bay Champ Show - Neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered best of breed, reserve neutered of group  
13.01.2024 Ruahine Champ Show - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered best of breed, reserve neutered of group  
20.01.2024 Manawatu Kennel Association  
Show 1: Neutered best of breed - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered best of breed  
Show 2: Neutered best of breed - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered best of breed  
21.01.2024 Wanganui Kennel Association  
Show 1: Neutered best of breed - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered reserve best of breed  
Show 2: Neutered best of breed - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered reserve best of breed  
17.02.2024 Horowhenua Champ Show - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered reserve best of breed  
18.02.2024 Horowhenua Champ Show - neutered best dog, neutered challenge dog, neutered reserve best of breed

Ruger proud of his neutered reserve group ribbons



*Congratulations to everyone for  
their achievements!*





# Tararua Rally-O Champ Show



On the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of February, Tararua Allbreeds Dog Training Club held its annual Rally-O championship show and this year it was held in conjunction with Fielding Dog Training Club running their first Rally-O show. A big thank you to all the competitors, judges, and helpers that made this event possible.

A MASSIVE thank you to our very generous sponsor



## Saturday



Novice A



Novice B



Advanced A



Advanced B



Excellent A



Excellent B

## Sunday



Novice A



Novice B



Advanced A



Advanced B



Excellent A



Excellent B





# Tararua Novice Buried Hides Trial



TADTC ran their first SSANZ Novice Buried Hides trial on Saturday 2nd March at St. Joseph's school in Levin. The trial was delivered in conjunction with the Horowhenua ODTC, who ran full SSANZ trials at three different levels that weekend. The trial was judged by Jan Voss, who was assisted by Christine Scott.

In each of the buried hides trials, the dog needs to identify the container in which scent is hidden, i.e. a "hot container". The scent is "buried" at the bottom of a bucket filled with either sand (sand buried hide) or water (water buried hide). The bucket also has a metal rack at the top so that the dog cannot put the nose right to the surface, which may make the exercise quite tricky (and also more fun) for the dog.



We had 21 entries for sand buried hides and 19 for water ones, with 19 out of 21 trialists qualifying for sand and 8 out of 19 qualifying for water.

A huge thank you to the helpers who helped with setting up, stewarding, keeping up the positive attitude, and packing. The members involved in running the trial were grateful for the support and are looking forward to holding more SSANZ trials.

We would like to thank the sponsors of the event, Biophive, who provided prizes for Top Qualifier and Judge's Choice awards for each of the trials.



Novice Buried Hides Top Qualifier



Water Buried Hide Judges Choice



Sand Buried Hide Judges Choice



# Member's Story



*Uvana and Mia have been a team for a number of years and have recently achieved Obedience champion status. This is an amazing achievement which they have worked extremely hard for. Here is what Uvana said:*

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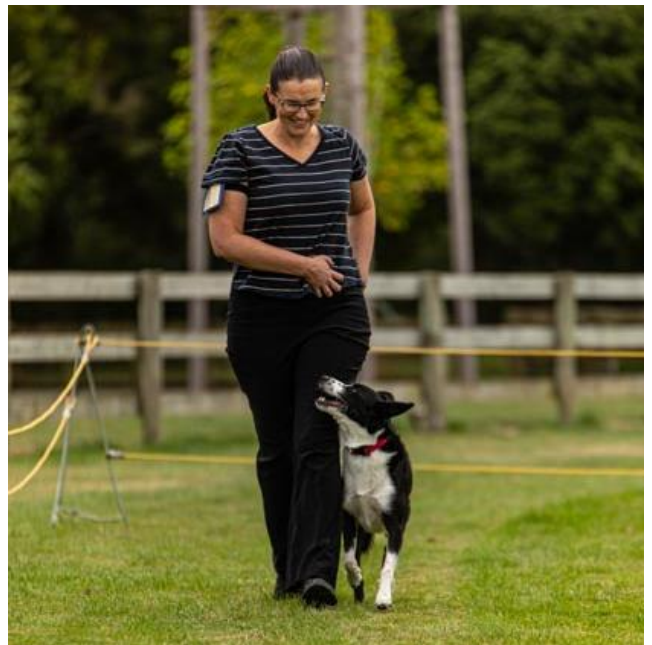
On Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2024, my little farm dog Mia became an Obedience Champion.

Our journey started 8 years ago when I saw a very cute puppy on Trade Me. I was wanting to get back into agility so decided on getting a working breed dog to compete with.

Once Mia was old enough, I joined the puppy classes at TADTC as I knew I needed a well controlled dog for agility. Mia had other ideas. She went through the grades at Club easily and was always top of her class. This is when I decided to focus on Competition Obedience (or dressage for dogs as I explain it to my friends).

Robyn Bland was our obedience instructor and I think back now to our first class with her and laugh. She must have wondered what on earth she was going to do with the little black and white dog that wouldn't stop barking and leaping into the air. After months of training it was finally time for our first show. We ended up coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in our class – I was hooked.

6 years later, and with 20 wins to her credit (2 at national level), Mia got the final challenge certificate she needed to be called a champion. The judge handing me that certificate is a moment I'll never forget. It was a moment I'd hoped and dreamt for but wasn't sure we'd get there. Up in the top grade of obedience you are competing against very experienced handlers and dogs so it wasn't easy. I'll never forget speaking to one of these very experienced handlers and he said 'to be the best, you've got to beat the best! Well.....we finally got there.



## Congratulations Uvana and Ob Ch Miss In Action CDXS TCO







# Treat Recipe



## Sardine & Cheese Treats

(One of my dogs personal favourites, made and tested by Anthea)



### Ingredients:

- 1 can of sardines in water
- 2 eggs
- 100gm grated parmesan cheese
- A handful of roast veges (no onions!)
- 1/3 cup flour (I quite like tapioca, coconut or hemp seed flours)
- (If using fat reducing baking mats, add approximately 1/3 cup of water)

### Process:

1. Preheat oven to 180 degrees Celsius.
2. Blend all ingredients together to make thin smooth batter (for mats, you need it be more watery)
3. If using a tray, cover an oven tray with baking paper, spread the mix until about 4 - 5mm thick.  
If using a fat reducing mat, put the mat on an oven tray then spread the mix over mat.
4. Bake on a tray for 15 minutes to start with, then from there, see how crispy it looks around the edges. If it doesn't look like it's going to be crunchy, keep cooking it in 5-minute blocks (or you could try cooking for 15 minutes then turning the oven off and leaving it in there to cool). Once cold, cut into strips like a smacko (so you can break up for training).  
If using mats, bake for 15 minutes.
5. Store in a sealed container in the fridge.

Link to find fat reducing baking mats [here](#).



## Have a go!



*Here is an idea for a game you can play with your dog.*

*My dog loves it and it gets her super keen to work and really focused. Have a go and have fun!*

This game is called **Tornado**

Step 1 – Grab some of your dog's favourite food

Step 2 – Throw a treat out in front of you

Step 3 – After your dog eats it and comes back, lead your dog around your body with a treat.

Step 4 – Throw the treat out to start the game all over again



You can then add on different variations:

**Thunder** is a variation when you throw the food in front, then throw the next piece between your legs for your dog to chase. They will go through your legs to get the treat. When they come back through your legs, throw another in front for them to chase.

**Typhoon** is the most difficult variation. Throw the food in front then as you dog comes back, guide them around one of your legs, then throw a treat for them to go an get. This is a mixture of the two. They are going around one leg instead of the whole body, but they are still going through the middle.

