



## **TEVRA TIMES - NOVEMBER 2010**

### **FROM THE BOSS!**

As I write this it will only be 6 weeks and Christmas will be over and done with and we will hopefully be at that dreadful point of setting up the caravan and all the gear (and believe me I mean ALL the gear) down at the lakes again.

Once again this year has shown a significant increase in training numbers, which while it is a good sign, has meant a great deal of time has been spent organising different events etc. I would really like to thank all of those who have helped me out here as without you it just would never be able to happen. Proceeds raised from these events have meant that we now have an excellent quality gazebo with sides that is available for all to use at shows etc. We have also been able to purchase our own test boxes and all the gear needed to run our trials.

I would especially like to thank the following people who have helped out over the past year. Carol who is always there as both an instructor and an assessor, Jo Donachie who by the time I arrive at training has already put up ring ropes and has everything ready to go. She is always there at the end to take everything down again. Jo and Carol are also excellent delivery people and many a time they head back home to their side of the town with dog food, crates or products for people to collect from their home. Joanne Wilson for producing such a good newsletter every couple of months and of course there are Barbara Broadhurst, Gail Hamling and Linda George who all take charge of their specific training areas and I know with full confidence that I am able to just leave them to it. And then of course there is Dave Morgan cos he supplies Carol and I with crayfish and blue cod so how could one never appreciate a person of this calibre!!!

There are always so many highlights during the year that it is hard to write about them but perhaps a few stand out. Kim Lindsay for achieving Ob Ch status with Bullet in Australia, Dawn Prattley with Maiyah for becoming an Ob GRAND Champion, Julie Donovan, Margaret Van Oosten, Carol Lavery, Janine Johnson, Jo Donachie, Heather Lauper and Roxanne Ramsay who made up seven out of the ten members of the South Island Regional team for the NDTA in Taupo. Due to a problem with Esther Margaret had to withdraw from the team at the last minute and Alastair Kirk was the replacement. To have such a high percentage of Tevra trained dogs and people in the team was just awesome.

As we all head off on our summer holidays please do give your dogs a break from training as some of them have had a very fully on year. Take care and we will see you again next year when we return training. The dates are listed later in the newsletter.

*Regards*  
*Janice*



# CERTIFICATE CLASS REPORT



**Congratulations, to everyone who passed their assessments.**

## **Elementary :**

Anne Ditcher & Sam, Adrienne Moir & Milly, Chris Hodgins & Sadie (aka Barlin's Lady Sadie), Sally Nicoll & Quinn, Rachel Borcoskie & Lui, Meegan Langey & Oscar and Cindy Aikenhead & Max.

I will deal with **Elementary** first. I need a photo of your dogs for their certificate, **ASAP**. Email them to Barbara at [barlin@clear.net.nz](mailto:barlin@clear.net.nz) so we can get the certs done in time for the 19th or 20th November.

Secondly you will have a choice of classes for Intermediate and I need to know **ASAP** Which class you would like placed in. See times later on.

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## **Intermediate :**

Steve Kenmare & Keisha, Meegan Langey & Oscar while Diane Wells & Jack just have a couple of things to work on & they will be joining you. You guys also have to send me a photo **ASAP**.

There will be no advance class for you to go to until January when we get back. As Janice has to rearrange her times, so you will stay on with me but the exercises you do will be geared towards your advance certificate.

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Welcome to the new people who came along for their free session recently, Geraldine & Barney, and Gay & Kase, sorry to Christine & Holly I did not get your email until I got home.

It was a bit of a mish mosh the other week with assessments being done and new people but I hope you saw what a bit of training can do for your dogs. Hope you are also practicing the exercises I managed to show you. For any of you who did not make it to training for your free session due to the weather please feel free to join us either on Friday (19th Nov) at 6.30pm or else Saturday (20th Nov) at 10.30am. Please confirm with Barbara if you intend to come along.

There will be no training Show Weekend 12th & 13th of November. Training will start again 19th & 20th November.

## **Class times are as follows:**

Elementary: Friday 6.30pm  
Saturday 10.30am

Intermediate: Friday 7.15pm  
Saturday 9.30am

Remember to get to Ouruhia Domain at least 10 minutes before your class so that you can toilet your dog and give him a chance to settle. It is hard on the dog if you rush him out the car and into class, and then you wonder why he won't behave.

New people are reminded to bring soft treats for your dogs, and to have your food in a bait bag or in a small plastic bag in your pocket, our ladies today found it is hard to try and work with your hands full, didn't you girls. ☺. When you start you are all fingers & thumbs anyway.

Scent cloths for scent work can be purchased from Janice at a cost of \$7.

Next time I will give out cards for those who do not have my contact details, or those who have lost them.

**Advanced Class:** As you will all be aware your assessments will be held on Saturday 4th December at 9.00am and will include all the exercises up to and including the stays. I will also see if I can get your Rally and Agility assessments cleaned up on the same day so you had better all hope the weather is kind to us.

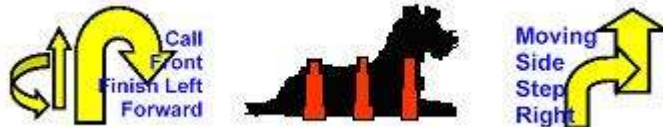
**Breakup Information:**

Training for the year will cease on Saturday 18th December with a series of games from 10.00am – 11.00am followed by our usual Christmas morning tea so please bring along a small plate of Christmas goodies.

Training will recommence on Saturday 15th January.

Kind Regards

*Barbara & Janice*



**RALLY - O**

Well, what a year it's been! The number of people taking up Rally-O has grown considerably over the year, with more and more people showing an interest. The sport is taking on nationwide popularity, as we grow closer to being formally accepted by the New Zealand Kennel Club.

Tevra Rally-O has officially been going since 31<sup>st</sup> October 2008 and the original members are still with us: Ruth and Deeva; Cynthia and Kiki; Evelyn with Charlie and Piper; Merete and Zoe – well done for sticking with it!!

For the first time Rally-O will be taking it's place alongside Obedience and Working Trials at the National Dog Obedience Assembly in Porirua next year. This is a great step forward in our efforts in the Southern Region to be recognised as the basis for a national sport.

Competition results have been really pleasing:

Placings over all Tests (Novice A & B and Advanced A & B):

1 <sup>st</sup>	8
2 <sup>nd</sup>	7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5
4 <sup>th</sup>	5
5 <sup>th</sup>	5

I think there may have been a few others that I haven't recorded!  
A total of 45 Qualifying Rounds have been made!!

The anomalies in eligibility for A or B in each level is now being addressed, and hopefully some clarity will soon emerge!!

Remember, Rally-O is a growing sport and little oddities are bound to crop up. The Rally-O Consultation Team is working hard under the leadership of Arend van den Bos to sort out all the hitches and niggles, and eventually we'll get there!!

The end of the year is looming large – with Christmas just a 270° turn away!! It'll soon be time to Halt, Down and Chill Out:

### **Breakup and Re-start**



Details re the Breakup Party on 18<sup>th</sup> December will be sent out later – hope to see you all there.

In the meantime, if I don't see you before Christmas – have a great break – but remember to keep up the practice for at least 5 minutes a day.



**Happy Christmas!!!!**



## **AGILITY REPORT**

As most of you will know, and as a reminder - agility is taking a break (actually I am).

6th November – no agility, I am sitting on a wharf fishing, losing hooks to those fish laughing below, or walking on a beautiful beach.

13th November – no agility

20th November pre-agility (your dogs will all be pro's at the weaves by now... after all those weeks practice), certificate training, and advanced agility

27th November – pre-agility, and all other agility onwards until the xmas break.

## **FLYBALL**

Colin will start flyball classes again in the New Year on a Friday evening. Cost \$5 per dog. Contact Colin is you are interested in this class [barlin@clear.net.nz](mailto:barlin@clear.net.nz) or 359 6117.

## **“SPECIAL NEEDS CLASS”**



Once again this class has proved highly successful with huge progress being made with those dogs, who for one reason or another, just need that firmer approach, especially when dealing with aggression towards other dogs.

The last sessions this year will be on Thursday 11th November, Friday 19th November, 10th December and the 17th December - 7pm - Ouruhia Domain. Please note there will now be no training on the on the 26th November or the 3rd December.

The classes will start up again on 28th January if we have sufficient interest. For more details contact me on [kirkj@clear.net.nz](mailto:kirkj@clear.net.nz)

# COMPETITIVE TRAINING NOTICES

## NDTA - Taupo 2010

Well off we set on a mission to take out the NDTA and came home in our van with Carol, Alastair and I in it with out not even a single prize for the entire weekend. We had 8 entries between us with placings going up to 10th place and we could not even manage one. I suppose on a positive note the weather was good and Bramble did get his CDX on the Friday.

Just as well we did not all achieve as little, so congratulations to the following members of our group:

### Saturday:

Special Beg: Julie Donovan & Max 9th

Novice: Heather Lauper & Bailey 1st (WOOOHOOOO!!!)  
Janine Johnson & Ruby 2nd  
Roxanne Ramsay & Baillie 8th

### Sunday:

Special Beg: Julie Donovan & Max 6th

Novice: Roxanne Ramsay & Baillie 8th  
Heather Lauper & Baillie 9th

Our Regional Team members although we did not win the Trophy all worked with enthusiasm and it was great to see how well they all communicated with their dogs in the ring while most of the other competitors went quiet with fear!!

Better luck next time as they say.

## GR.OB.CH ZESTFUL MAIAH OF HEIDESA CDX SEPTEMBER 2010

Huge congratulations to Dawn Prattley and Maiyah on obtaining their Grand Obedience title on 25th September at the Otago Canine Training Club Show. Dawn is only our second member of the group to obtain this title having trained with us from when Maiyah was only 8 weeks old.

Well done Dawn, it is such a feat to gain this title.



## **NZ & AUST OB CH KARUZ'N LIKE A BULLET CDX**



Congratulations to Kim Lindsay in Sydney on obtaining Bullet's Australian Obedience Champion title in October of this year. As most of you know Bullet was bred in NZ and spent his first seven years with me gaining his NZ OB CH title before going to live with Kim in October 2007. Although Bullet had done very well in NZ and is a very willing learner there were a large number of new exercises Kim had to teach him in order to get this title. Due to the NSW Kennel Club rules and regulations because Bullet is not a pedigree dog he cannot be registered with a kennel name attached to his name unlike in NZ so in Australia he is known as Likeabullet UD and cannot include his NZ title. All of us over here with mixed pedigree dogs do not know how lucky we are but don't get me started there.

Bullet is the first dog to ever have achieved this so well done Kim and we look forward to hearing that he has also got his GR OB title.

## **CLOSING DATES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **COMPETITIVE**

Training will cease for the competitive handlers on Wednesday 8th December with our end of year lunch planned for Wednesday 15th Dec at the same venue as last year - The Theme Bar in the Crossroads Shopping Centre behind McDonalds in Kaiapoi. The booking is for 1pm so if we can all meet there at 12.30pm. I will have a copy of the menu with me next week but if you do not get a chance to have a look at it I can assure you that there is something there for everyone with prices to suit any budget.

Training will recommence on Wednesday 19th January 2011. If you are getting or have already got a new puppy or dog then we will arrange training over this time. If you have just moved up a test and would like more time with me please also let me know.

### **CERTIFICATE, AGILITY & RALLY CLASSES**

Training will cease for you on Saturday December 18th with a games session from 10.00 - 11.00am followed by our Christmas morning tea. Please bring along a small plate of Christmas goodies to share. You should be away to complete (or start) your Christmas shopping by 12.00 midday. Training for you will recommence on Saturday 15th January 2011.

### **NEW YEAR GET TOGETHER FOR ALL**

As December is always such a busy social time for everyone we intend to have a New Year get together on Sunday 6th February with a BBQ at the Kirk's house from 4pm onwards (you watch the weather turn cold at about 3.30pm) All of our classes are invited to come along and spend time together so please don't be shy. More details will be sent out to you in our January newsletter.

# TEVRA TOY SALE

## DISCOUNT TOY SALE

As I usually do at this time of the year I will be taking 15% off the price of any toys sold during December. I do not carry a large stock of toys anymore but will have the toy box with me at training from the 4th December so come along and see if there is anything you think your dog might like for Christmas.

## PRODUCT SALES

Please remember that although we do not stock a large range of everyday dog items we are able to obtain most products you may need. Sometimes you may have to wait a week or two but our prices are a lot cheaper than most outlets as we do not carry the overheads so if you need anything at all just check with us first.

## NEMO & HAPPIE'S U.S. UPDATE



Dear TEVRA people,

Greetings from America! Nemo and Happie are enjoying living in the US. Although Nemo is still light and skinny, she now begs for food and eats a lot. She also found a new passion for sneaking out of our property and coming back without telling me, according to my neighbours. I doubled the fence, but she was probably a cat in her previous life - she squeezes her body to get through the fence. Very naughty.

Happie is now settling down and not a puppy anymore. She enjoys 'quiet' quality time with us these days, which we love very much. Both Nemo and I were too old for a yuppy puppy. Happie actually spends more time with me than Nemo does these days. Who predicted that??

We miss you all very much, but we are all happy here. My work is not as stressful as it was in New Zealand. Nemo and Happie still have to wait at home during the day, but they don't see me coming home with tears any more. They see me with a big smile now.

We wish you all well, and we hope you'll have a nice summer this year!

Reiko, Nemo & Happie!!

## **BULLET'S 'BULLETIN' FROM AUSTRALIA**

Hi to all my friends over in NZ.

Well much has happened since the last newsletter. I got another 3 passes in UD and won the ring twice and on a count back got a second with a score of 193 and the others were 192 out of 200. So, you know what that means???? I'm an Australian Obedience Champion (OC) and my new obedience name is OB.CH.LIKABULLET.

I gained my Australian Obedience Champion at the NSW State Obedience Titles in October . It was a two night trial and they were our first night trials for this summer. Let me tell you the weather was not nice as it was raining all day Saturday and when we got to the trial the rain came down even heavier. I was on second to last so we had to get there for vetting at 5pm and I was on at 9pm and yes it was still raining. There were 40 entries for the Saturday night and only two of us got through to the stays For the 7 minute down stay out of sight it was not nice in the rain. I was such a good boy not moving at the end of the stays. The judge had to add up our scores and we were both on 193 so the judge had to do a count back and we lost it only by 1 point so that put us into 2nd.

On Sunday the weather was a little better, not as heavy. We got to the trial at 4.30pm for vetting at 5pm and I was 3rd last on, it stopped raining about 6pm. I was warming up before I had to go into the ring and there was something on my front leg biting me so I started to jump around waving my leg and biting at it. Mum got me to stand still and found a bee on my front leg. Grandma Lindsay's said "Kim flick it off flick it off" and mum flicked it off and then went straight into panicky mode with an instant headache. She was about to take me straight to the vets at 9.30pm but the judge managed to talk Mum into not taking me to the vet and he promised her that if he though I looked funny he would let us stop. Mum and I were on the start peg and it started to rain again but Mum was so happy with me because I worked fantastic I did my stays just as good as the night before. There were 33 entries in my class only 3 of us passed and I won the ring on 192. With the two days placings and points added together we were the runners up in the NSW State Titles.

The next weekend we had another trial and the weather was much better and there were no Bees. I felt really good and worked real hard and won the ring on 192.

Mum and I are going to start learning the next test, UDX over the Christmas break and this is where I could get my Grand Obedience Champion title.

Rebel Howie and the naughty little Poodle are all working well.

Well that's all from me,

Wove OB.CH.LIKABULLET

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## **PONCY SHOW PONY**

For those who don't recognize the stunningly handsome dog in the photos below (because he's clean & been groomed) it is in fact Janice's new kid on the block, Wispa.....aka Alclutha Dragons Den (Imp Aust)

The Boss decided he was so pretty that she wouldn't go to the Obedience Show in Timaru at Canterbury Show Weekend & would instead get all ponced up & try her luck at breed showing.

Look at the end result of 3 days of bathing (because Wispa didn't want to stay clean between shows & Joker lent a hand in helping him look like a real dog) The clever wee man won PUPPY IN SHOW at the Shetland Sheepdog Specialty Show. Well done Boss!!!



## **PUPPIES!**

Jo Wilson's Briar (Goldbrook A Matter Of Pride CDXS ADX TCQ) had her puppies on October 14<sup>th</sup>. There are 5 girls & 3 boys in the litter. So far they have awesome play drive & are very outgoing wee monsters. There may be a pup still available to a working home. If anyone is interested, ring or email Jo (03) 3298640 or [waimakgoldies@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:waimakgoldies@slingshot.co.nz)



# *Kamal Fernandez Seminar*

***Do not miss out!!***

U.K. trainer, **Kamal Fernandez**, will be visiting New Zealand

**25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

***NZKC Exhibition Centre, Ardmore, Auckland***

This is another awesome opportunity to learn about motivational training. Teach your dog how to maintain precision and enthusiasm with one of the most innovative trainers in the UK. Kamal has trained and competed with dogs at the highest level of Competitive Obedience. He has experience of working and training numerous breeds. His training methods are highly motivational for both dog and handler, whilst providing a sound knowledge of the exercises required for competition.

Kamal's seminars are very interactive. Everyone has the opportunity to ask questions and those lucky enough to get a handlers place will get excellent instruction with their dog.

Kamal has loads more information to share with us and we are sure you will have questions for him after having tried some of the training techniques he has already shown us.

**Dog and Handler** (limited to 12 dogs)

\$200.00 for both days - including morning and afternoon tea

**Spectator** (places limited)

\$170.00 for both days - including morning and afternoon tea

**Limited private lessons by arrangement.**

**All enquires: Karen Browning [raykaren@xtra.co.nz](mailto:raykaren@xtra.co.nz)**

Check out this link of Kamal at Crufts <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYcO9YkWy00>

***For Pet friendly accommodation, contact Manukau Top 10 Holiday Park.***