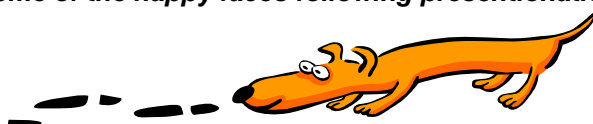




# Track On



**Presentation Night 2011**  
**Congratulations to everyone who took home a title medallion or two.....**  
**Some of the happy faces following presentations**



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**STATEMENT OF PURPOSES**

- To promote and encourage the sport of tracking in the state of Victoria for registered dogs.
- To promote and raise the standards of tracking by providing:-
  - (i) General Tracking Information.
  - (ii) Assistance to Clubs and Newcomers to find Tracking Groups.
- Organised Practical Training Sessions to include handlers, dogs, instructors, tracklayers and officials.
- To promote the usefulness of tracking dogs in the preservation of human life and to demonstrate their fitness to a place in the community.
- To be affiliated with the Victorian Canine Association Inc.
- To promote and support competitions in all practical ways and to hold such exhibitions as are permitted by the constitution of this association, or the A.N.K.C. in accordance therewith.
- To foster, promote, and protect the interests of exhibitors of dogs at exhibitions.
- To collect verify and make available information relating to tracking.
- To educate and encourage members, handlers, tracklayers, and officials to abide by the requirements and standards approved by the V.C.A. Inc. for the conduct of exhibitors.
- To promote good fellowship and sportsmanship amongst members, other clubs and those interested in training and working dogs.
- To promote responsible dog ownership.
- To hold functions and lectures relating to dogs and to the purpose of the club generally.
- To provide or donate awards for competition at exhibitions.
- To foster relations with other clubs and bodies having similar aims.
- To promote and assist worthy causes, as agreed at a general meeting of members of the club.
- To invest the funds of the club not immediately required in such manner as the members or the committee in lieu thereof shall determine.
- To locate and negotiate new tracking grounds.

# Your Committee



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# Club Awards

## Life Members



<b>2004</b>	Lynn Klecka, Dawn Howard & Andrea Sciberras
<b>2006</b>	Kim Houlden
<b>2010</b>	Helen den Hartog
<b>2011</b>	Peter Miller

## Service Awards

<b>2004</b>	Susie Baird Wanda Leech	Tony den Hartog Ken Mc Kay	Peter Howard
<b>2005</b>	Rebecca Hamilton Trish Wileman	Tony den Hartog	Jill Spencer
<b>2006</b>	Tony den Hartog	Trish Wileman	
<b>2007</b>	Tony den Hartog	Trish Wileman	Deb Hamilton
<b>2008</b>	Tony den Hartog	Trish Wileman	Deb Hamilton
<b>2009</b>	Tony den Hartog	Trish Wileman	Deb Hamilton
<b>2010</b>	Tony den Hartog Trevor Pillinger	Trish Wileman	Deb Hamilton
<b>2011</b>	Dawn Ayton	Alyson Mills	Julie Short



# President's Report

## **TRACKING CLUB OF VICTORIA INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2011 PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Hello Everyone,

What an eventful year 2011 turned out to be.

The year started off with another very successful training workshop weekend at Shepparton held in April, where once again there were many stars in the making uncovered and who have since gone on to gain titles during the season.

There are so many members who assist in the running of this weekend; thank you, your efforts are always greatly appreciated.

The Club also ran a Test 1 tracking trial at Officer, two TSD tests 1-5 one at Haddon and the other at Inverleigh; an Open Tracking Trial at Broadford, and another at Inverleigh as well as two TSD Test 6 trials in the Cranbourne area.

My sincere thanks to all the judges, stewards, gophers, tracklayers, caterers, competitors and members who assisted in any way in the running of all of these events during 2011.

Unfortunately one of our favourite events "The Champion of Champions" had to be cancelled in 2011 for safety reasons, as the Goulburn River was in flood mode the weekend of the scheduled event.

Sincere thanks to the working party of Trish Wileman, Deb Hamilton & Peter Miller who had worked so hard in preparation for the event.

There was not time to reschedule the event in 2011 but please know that the event will be held in 2012. The Committee is in the process of reviewing the rules; venue etc and details will be available in the New Year.

It is an honour and privilege to be the President of this Club and to work with a Committee with some outstanding individuals on it, who all so work tirelessly to ensure everything runs like clockwork. Thank you all for your enthusiasm and support over the last twelve months.

Most of the Committee are remaining for the coming year however Judy Pillinger due to work commitments has decided not to nominate for 2012. I am sure you all join me in thanking Judy for her outstanding work over the last two years as our Treasurer, not always the easiest of jobs but she has managed to keep the books balanced. Thank you.

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Tonight we will celebrate the awarding of a life membership to an outstanding and hardworking member of the Club, Peter Miller. Also there will be two Service Awards presented here tonight to members who have been nominated for giving outstanding service to the Club over several years, and those recipients are Dawn Ayton and Julie Short.

We congratulate you all!!

Our members have had a super successful year with 170 medallions being presented this evening for both tracking and track and search titles gained during 2011.

What an amazing effort and I congratulate each and every one of you on your achievements during the 2011 season.

Several other awards to be presented tonight are the 2011 TCV Tracking Dog of the Year, the 2011 Track & Search Dog of the Year and the 2011 Old Gold Cup

I'd like to make mention tonight of all the wonderful dogs that left us and made their way to Rainbow Bridge during 2011, to be remembered always.....

In closing, my personal thanks to all the members for your assistance and support over the last twelve months and I look forward to another wonderful year in 2012.

Thank you

Lynn Klecka

24<sup>th</sup> November 2011

**Postscript** – *There were actually three service badges approved by the Committee and were to be presented at the 2011 AGM unfortunately one of the recipients was unable to attend on that night so we were able to keep it a secret and made a special presentation to her at the TCV Committee Christmas Dinner in December, where I must say she was totally surprised and appreciative....Congratulations to Alyson Mills a worthy recipient of this award.*

**Postscript 2** – *It is time to pull out that tracking bag and start checking that everything is in order for the start of your training for the 2012 season, which I hope is not too far away, once the weather cools down.*

*Till next time.*

*Cheers*  
*Lynn*

# **TRACKING CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**

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## **BY – LAWS**

### **1) ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION AND JOINING FEE**

The Annual Subscription and/or Joining Fee shall be determined in accordance with Clause 4 of the Constitution, and shall be in respect of the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December.

The Annual Subscription and Joining Fee shall be:-

	Annual Subscription	Joining	Total
Family Member	\$55.00	\$15.00	\$70.00
Single Member	\$30.00	\$15.00	\$45.00
Junior Member	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$35.00

### **2) OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE**

The Office Bearers shall consist of:-

President  
One Vice President  
Secretary  
Treasurer

### **3) QUORUM**

The quorum for a meeting shall be not less than one half of the current members of the Committee.

### **4) JUNIOR MEMBERS**

All junior members must have parental/guardian supervision whilst attending the Club.

### **5) MEMBERSHIP**

Any person taking part in any activity of the Tracking Club of Victoria does so entirely at their own risk.

### **6) NEWSLETTER**

Any member wishing to receive a copy of the club newsletter "Track On" in hard copy will pay an additional \$10.00 annually at the time of either new or renewal of membership.

### **7) INSURANCE**

Any member of the Club that is not a member of Dogs Victoria must pay the insurance levy as determined by Dogs Victoria in addition to their club membership fees.



## Important Information in a Snapshot

**April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Test 1 Tracking Trial: Judge Mrs Judy Pillinger

**April 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Annual TCV Tracking Workshop; Shepparton

**April 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Track & Search Trial Tests 1-5 ONLY; Haddon. Judges: Mrs D Howard & Mrs L Klecka

**May 5<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Members Training Day – Brimbank Park

**May 10<sup>th</sup>**

General Meeting 8:00pm

**June 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Track & Search Trial Test 6 ONLY; Judges Mrs D Howard & Mrs K Houlden

**June 30<sup>th</sup> & July 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**

TCV Track & Search Trial Tests 1-5 ONLY; Judges Mrs H den Hartog & Mrs K Houlden

**July 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Open Tracking Trial – Broadford; Judges Mrs K Houlden; Mrs D Howard & Mr P Miller

**July 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Champion of Champions Event.

**August 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Open Tracking Trial – Inverleigh; Judges Mrs L Klecka & Mrs J Pillinger

**September 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Track & Search Trial Test 6 ONLY – Cranbourne Area

**September 15<sup>th</sup>**

TCV Members Training Day – Officer

**October 15<sup>th</sup>**

**CLOSING DATE FOR ALL TITLE APPLICATIONS AND ANNUAL AWARDS.**

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

2012 TCV AGM & Presentation Night – KCC Park 8:00pm



# 2012 Tracking Club of Victoria Calendar

<b>February</b>	
14	Closing date for all articles for March 2012 Newsletter
<b>March</b>	
15	Committee Meeting (Malvern RSL)
<b>April</b>	
14	Closing date for all articles for May 2012 Newsletter
14, 15	TCV Test 1 Tracking Trial – Judge: Mrs J Pillinger
20-22	Annual TV Tracking Workshop – Shepparton
20	Committee Meeting (will be held at Shepparton if required)
27-29	TCV Track & Search Trial test 1-5 only – Haddon; Judges – Mrs D Howard & Mrs L Klecka
<b>May</b>	
5	TCV Members Training Day – Brimbank Park
10	General Meeting 8:00pm – Venue & Guest Speaker TBA
24	Committee Meeting – Yarraville Bowling Club.
<b>June</b>	
14	Closing date for all articles for July 2012 Newsletter
14	Committee Meeting
19 & 20	TCV Track & Search Trial – Test 6 only; Judges Mrs D Howard, Mrs K Houlden – Cranbourne area.
30	TCV Track & Search Trial tests 1-5 only; Judges – Inverleigh Mrs H den Hartog & Mrs K Houlden
<b>July</b>	
1 & 2	TCV Track & Search Trial test 1-5 only; Inverleigh Judges Mrs H den Hartog & Mrs K Houlden
14 – 16	TCV Open Tracking Trial- Broadford; Judges Mrs K Houlden, Mrs D Howard & Mr P Miller
26	Committee Meeting
28 & 29	2012 TCV Champion of Champions Event – Judges and Venue TBA
<b>August</b>	
14	Closing date for all articles for September 2012 Newsletter
18 – 20	TCB Open Tracking Trial – Inverleigh; Judges Mrs L Klecka & Mrs J Pillinger
<b>September</b>	
11 & 12	TCV Track & Search Trial Test 6 only – Cranbourne area
13	Committee Meeting
15	TCV Members Training Day – Officer
<b>October</b>	
15	Closing date for all title applications and annual awards
18	Committee Meeting

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<b>November</b>	
15	Committee Meeting
22	2012 TCV AGM & Presentation Night – KCC Park 8:00pm
<b>December</b>	
13	Committee Christmas Dinner 8:00pm

FOR UPDATES TO THE CALENDAR PLEASE CONSULT YOUR NEWSLETTERS.

**All articles etc. for Newsletters to be forwarded to:**

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[publisher@trackingclubvic.org.au](mailto:publisher@trackingclubvic.org.au) Also if you have any group photos taken at trials  
that I might not be at please forward them to me for inclusion into upcoming  
newsletters.

#### NEW MEMBERS



*welcome to the following new members and we look  
forward to meeting you all at either a trial or club event in the  
not too distant future.*

Barbara Adams  
Jacinta Burke  
Adam & Eddie Catton  
Raymond Harrison  
Danielle Irving  
Yvonne Mann  
Penny Mead  
Lauren Mills & Cameron Clarke  
Gayle Rickard  
Alan Tee

Wendouree  
Mt Evelyn  
Dandenong Nth  
Mitcham  
Cranbourne Sth  
Healesville  
Northmead N.S.W.  
Tumbi Umbi N.S.W.  
Westbury Tasmania  
Bunyip

# 2012 Tracking Events Calendar

To have your clubs trial schedule in this magazine please email the relevant details to [publisher@trackingclubvic.org.au](mailto:publisher@trackingclubvic.org.au)

Date	Club	Trial	Closing Date
<b>March</b>			
24 <sup>th</sup>	Gippsland Obedience Dog Club	Test 1 Tracking Trial <a href="http://www.gippslandobedience.com/">http://www.gippslandobedience.com/</a>	
<b>April</b>			
14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Test 1 Tracking Trial <i>Judge: Mrs Judy Pillinger</i>	31/03/2012
21	German Shepherd DCV	Test 1 Tracking Trial <a href="http://www.gsdcv.org.au">www.gsdcv.org.au</a>	
27 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Track & Search Trial Test 1-5 ONLY; Haddon <i>Judges Mrs Dawn Howard &amp; Mrs Lynn Klecka</i>	16/04/2012
<b>May</b>			
12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup>	Knox Obedience Dog Club	Open Tracking Trial – Haddon <i>Judges Mrs Ute May, Mrs Judy Pillinger &amp; Mr Rob Tester</i>	27/04/2012
19 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Golden Retriever Club	Restricted to Group 3 Tracking Trial <i>Judge: Mrs Helen den Hartog</i>	04/05/2012
26 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Working Dog Club	Restricted to Group 5 Tracking Trial <i>Judge: Mrs. Lynn Klecka</i>	14/05/2012
<b>June</b>			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Murray Valley ODC	Test 1 Tracking Trial <a href="http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodic/web/MVODC.html">http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodic/web/MVODC.html</a>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup>	Hastings	CANCELLED	
9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	German Shepherd DCV	Open Tracking Trial <a href="http://www.gsdcv.org.au">www.gsdcv.org.au</a>	
16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Bendigo ODC	Open Tracking Trial	
19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Track & Search Trial Test 6 ONLY; Cranbourne area <i>Judges:- Mrs Dawn Howard &amp; Mrs Kim Houlden</i>	04/06/2012
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>	Eastern Suburbs DOC	Tracking Trial <a href="http://esodic.org.au/">http://esodic.org.au/</a>	01/06/2012
30 <sup>th</sup>	Murray Valley DOC	Tracking Trial <a href="http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodic/web/MVODC.html">http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodic/web/MVODC.html</a>	
30 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Track & Search Trial Test 1-5 ONLY <i>Judges Mrs H den Hartog &amp; Mrs Kim Houlden</i>	19/06/2012
<b>July</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	TCV	Track & Search Trial Test 1-5 ONLY <i>Judges Mrs H den Hartog &amp; Mrs Kim Houlden</i>	19/06/2012

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1 <sup>st</sup>	Murray Valley	Open Tracking Trial <a href="http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodc/web/MVODC.html">http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodc/web/MVODC.html</a>	
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Warragul & District Kennel and Obedience Dog Club Inc.	Track & Search Trial Tests 1 – 5 ONLY <i>Judges Mrs Lynn Klecka, Mrs Dawn Howard &amp; Mrs Kim Houlden</i>	22/06/2012
14 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Open Tracking Trial – Broadford <i>Judges Mrs Kim Houlden, Mrs Dawn Howard &amp; Mr Peter Miller</i>	25/06/2012
21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Gippsland ODC	Open Tracking Trial <a href="http://www.gippslandobedience.com/">http://www.gippslandobedience.com/</a>	
28 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	Ballaarat Dog Obedience Club	Open Tracking Trial – Haddon <i>Judges Mrs U May, Mr Rob Tester, Mrs Denise Chrystal</i>	14/07/2012
28 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>	Murray Valley ODC	Open Tracking Trial <a href="http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodc/web/MVODC.html">http://mc2.vicnet.net.au/home/mvodc/web/MVODC.html</a>	

**August**

4 <sup>th</sup>	Bendigo ODC	Track & Search Dog Trial – Tests 4, 5 & 6	
11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	German Shepherd DCV	Double Open Tracking Trial <a href="http://www.gsdcv.org.au">www.gsdcv.org.au</a>	
18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Open Tracking Trial – Inverleigh <i>Judges Mrs Lynn Klecka &amp; Mrs Judy Pillinger</i>	30/07/2012
25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>	Dogs Victoria	State Tracking Trial <a href="http://www.dogsvictoria.org.au/">http://www.dogsvictoria.org.au/</a>	
31 <sup>st</sup>	Gippsland ODC	Open Track & Search Trial <a href="http://www.gippslandobedience.com/">http://www.gippslandobedience.com/</a>	

**September**

1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gippsland ODC	Open Track & Search Trial <a href="http://www.gippslandobedience.com/">http://www.gippslandobedience.com/</a>	
8 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	Ballaarat Dog Obedience Club	Open Tracking Trial – Haddon <i>Judges Mrs U May, Mr Peter Miller &amp; Mrs Trish Wileman</i>	24/08/2012
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	TCV	Track & Search Trial Test 6 ONLY – Cranbourne	

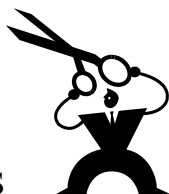
# Tracking Club Library

Books & videos held by the club librarian:

- Dog Training Step by Step - Michael Tucker (Book)
- Camping & Holidaying with Dogs '93 edition (Book)
- Tracker Dog Training (German) translated by E Weinand (video x 3 copies)
- Closing Ceremonies 1982 & 1991 Sieger Trials (German Shepherds)
- The Tracker Dog! By Eddie Weiner
- Tracking Dog Theory & Methods by Glen R Johnson
- Trackers. The Untold story of the Australian Dogs of War by Peter Haran
- The Koehler Method of Training Tracking Dogs by William R Koehler
- Scent Training to Track, Search and Rescue by Milo D Pearsall, Hugo Verbruggen MD
- So much happened in thirty years by Marie Louise Battered
- Dogs & Lovers by Chris Beck/Prelude by Michael Leunig
- Know your German Shepherd by Earl Schneider Editor, The Pet Library Ltd
- German Shepherd by Francis G Kem
- Solving your dog problems by Michael Tucker
- Dog Training Made Easy by Michael Tucker
- Tracking Guide prepared by Kim Elliot-Ball
- Pet Care by Peter Higgins
- Tracking Learning Package by Chris Edgley
- How Dogs Think by Stanley Coren

**If you wish to borrow any of these please contact Andrea Sciberras who maintains the Club Register of these assets.**

Note: a \$10 refundable deposit will be required for the videos (postage extra).



## SNIP-BITS FROM THE SECRETARY

Happy New Year to you all! It is amazing how quickly the 'down' season flashes past and we are again eagerly anticipating the start of the 2012 tracking calendar events. We have had a lot of rain over the last 12 months, so I am sure that all the grounds will be lush and fertile. I would like to point out that, although most of our tracking is done in the cooler weather, it is important to remember that snakes will still be about - particularly around Easter. Please make sure you are aware of the canine and human first aid treatment for snake bite (and other first aid emergencies). We are very lucky to have members with both health professional and first aid qualifications at all events. It is a good idea to have a basic first aid kit for both yourself and your dog in the car anyhow. The Tracking Club carries comprehensive first aid kits for our human competitors, but it is up to you to have the basics for your furred companions. Let's hope we never have to use them.

Here is a very comprehensive website you can look at to help you prepare for the months ahead:

[http://www.paw-rescue.org/PAW/PETTIPS/DogTip\\_FirstAid.php](http://www.paw-rescue.org/PAW/PETTIPS/DogTip_FirstAid.php)

Some of our members have said goodbye to treasured friends over Xmas and New Year and I would like to acknowledge their losses and offer Club support. It is never easy to say our last farewells.....One of the best things that I have found about the Tracking Club members is the camaraderie and support that can be offered in good and bad times. It is great to share your highs and lows with like minded friends. There is nothing better than walking the paddocks and chatting with other members – it really is what our Club is all about.

Turning now to club matters.....There are a lot of schedules included in this issue. Please – when submitting an entry, take time to fill out the entry forms clearly, including:

- the current title of your dog (e.g. TD, TDX etc)
- Ensure your writing is LEGIBLE please
- include a copy of your last pass cards (for verification)
- advise if you have had 2 previous passes under a judge (in the current title you are working towards) so that you are not allocated them again
- Please take time to fill in all the details – the trial secretaries have a huge job and, if each of us took time to fill our our entries, this would cut down the number of errors
- Please ring the trial secretary of your next entry ***the night you obtain a pass in a trial if you will be requiring an upgrade***

The April workshop weekend is quickly filling and, by all accounts looks as if it will be another fun weekend. I have had several enquiries from new members and we look forward to welcoming them to the event. I would like to thank everyone who gives up their time to support this event. The Committee works hard to prepare for the workshop, but, without the support of our members, it would never be able to occur – so a big thankyou to everyone who contributes to make it such a great weekend.

## ***CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR 2012 AWARD RECIPEINTS***

### **Tracking Dog of the Year- "Finn"**

Kim Houlden and Dual Ch (T) Goldnymph Finvarra

### **Track and Search Dog of the Year – "Morag"**

Nancy Holden and T Ch Teifi What a Morag CD TSDX

### **Old Gold Cup – "Klio"**

Robert Edward Mertens and T Ch Klio Mertens CD

### **Tracklayer of the Year**

Julie Short

### **Life Membership 2011**

Peter "(LYLT)" Miller

### **Service Awards 2011**

Dawn Ayton, Alyson Mills, Julie Short

Please remember if you have any burning queries regarding tracking that you would like answered in a shared forum, please post your questions to "Ask the Expert". This will then be included in the next newsletter.

I would like to finish by acknowledging the massive effort that is put in by our current newsletter editor **Deb Hamilton**. Deb has continued to produce an amazing publication whilst working full time and studying as well!! Deb does not have a tracking dog at present, but has agreed to continue to produce our newsletter until someone else can be found. If there is anyone out there who would like to help in this regard, please contact Deb for more information. Thankyou so much Deb! [publisher@trackingdogvic.org.au](mailto:publisher@trackingdogvic.org.au)

See you in a paddock somewhere soon!

Signing off for now .....  
(Secretary)



Sue Keane

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**TCV TSD 6 TRIAL**  
**11<sup>th</sup> October 2011**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

**Income**

Entry Fees	\$ 250.00
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<b>Total Income</b>	<hr/> \$250.00
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**Expenditure**

Dogs Victoria Lyndhurst Room	41.40
VCA Surcharge in Entry Fees @ 7.5%	18.75
VCA Dog Levy @ \$1.45 per dog	11.60
GST on VCA Charges	3.03

Judges Fees:	Dawn Howard	40.00
	Kim Houlden	40.00
Safety Vehicle:	Sue Keane	20.00
	Margaret Widelock	20.00

Catering	J Pillinger	40.44
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<b>Total Expenses</b>	<hr/> \$235.22
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<b>Surplus</b>	<b>\$14.78</b>
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## **TRACKING AND TRACK & SEARCH** **TITLES AWARDED 2011**

### **TRACKING DOG TITLES**

Bev Reid	Ch Taqsim Signet Silksmoke TD
Kate Smith	Kipsigis Zibuka CD TD
Wendy McLean	Aussielab Tomb Raider TD
Wendy Seng Hpa	Kazkiri Tigerlily TD
Darren Stebbings	Kushika Secret Intention TD
Craig Wills	Kooloomurt Conda Ari TD
Sue Mewse	Glenbogle Poetry In Motion TD
Roger Corlass	Hilltop Jeager TD
Kim Houlden	Ch Goldnymph Finvarra TD
Tracey Finn	Ch Khingsahl Nicos Nemesis TD
Joan Aston	Ryans Heather CDX HSAs TD
Joan Aston	Bruarong Hamish CD PT TD
Fiona Sutherland	Matilda Brunhilda TD
Robert Tester	Goldnymph Annysia TD
Angela Little	Bicklewood Banyanda CD TD
Angela Little	Stobar Jacinta 'A' 'Z' BS CI 2 CDX TD
Anne Bolt	Snauzaville Princess TD
Yvonne Tomkinson	Archie TD
Diane Clarke	Talcott Knights Templar TD PT
Ken Mackay	Glenraco Good Fellow AZ TD
Sandra Crowley	Jambarlas Something N The Heir TD
Yvonne Kitch	Aussielab Miss Daisy TD
Heather Bowles	Kandrin Pussycat Onskene TD
Sylvia Meekings	Ch Huntwyre Tribulation CD ET TD
Joy Allen	Ximinez Hot Toddy CD TD
Joy Allen	Ximinez On Fire TD
Sue Keane	Morningmyst Dark Angel TD
Robert Edward Mertens	Klio Mertens CD TD
Robert Edward Mertens	Brodie Mertens CD TD
Lynn Klecka	Morningmyst Dazzling Delight TD
Debra Armstrong	Ch Dobenaire Precious Opal TD ET
Debra Armstrong	Ch Dobenaire Diamond Dust TD
Kate Smith	Kipsigis Rogue Trader TD
Kim Houlden	Goldnymph Liliana TD
Alyson Mills	Pagliaccio Alfredo TD
Alyson Mills	Ch Pagliaccio Emiliana TD
Heather Turpie	Kalan Country Boy TD
Melissa Bauer	Redhaus Rage TD
Suzie & John Baird	Rakaaz Now or Never TD
Dawn Ayton	Ch Mypre Prime Desire TD
Leonie Kelleher	Brynfield Branko TD
Jade Boyce	Zessinhuf Ari TD
Margaret Coker	Sjecoin Tears of Joy TD
Grazyna Mackiewicz	Czara Black Velvet CDX TD
Christine Szczygieski	Millnjazz Shezaknockout TD PT
Jamie Pendle	Ch Yiyanda Torenv Turk TD
Bryan Crowley	Vimtar Che Sera Sera TD
Gary Fainges	Morningmyst Dream Catcher TD
Marie Felsovary	Bodecka Pure Heven CCD HSAS TD
Jenny Edwards	Giwa Midnight Fantasy TD
Jenny Edwards	Twynnell Lady Bronwyn CCD TD

## **TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT TITLES**

Sandra Price	Benbecura Tobias TDX
Cate Riches	Flatiriver Indigo TDX
Robert Edward Mertens	Klio Mertens CD TDX
Robert Edward Mertens	Brodie Mertens CD TDX
Margaret Widelock	Allambie Snippetts HT TDX
Trish Wileman	Aust. Ch Picardy Rio Grande TDX
Judy Pillinger	Marksman Mymelody TDX ET
Marie Felsovary	Bodecka Pure Heven CCD HSAS ET TDX
Susan Mc Kay	Heiderst Sheer Xtravagnc TDX
Lynn Klecka	Morningmyst Dazzling Delight TDX
Jeff Taylor	Weilander Rockalicious TDX ET
Wendy Seng Hpa	Kazkiri Tigerlily TDX
Diane Clarke	Talcott Knights Templar TDX PT
Yvonne Kitch	Aussielab Miss Daisy TDX
Bobbee Terrill	Sanmar Denver Diva TDX
Rhonda Williams	Gr Ch Injitali Intrigue CCD TDX
Jade Boyce	Zessinhuf Ari TDX
Michael Yeo	Bromhund Shamrocks Luck TDX
Dawn Ayton	Ch Mpyre Prime Desire TDX
Pat Hallam	Ch Shotfall Breunor ET JD TDX
Robert Tester	Goldnymph Annysia TDX
Karen Bradford	Giday Blue Gum Joey TDX
Joan Aston	Ryans Heather CDX TDX HSAs
Joan Aston	Bruarong Hamish CDX TDX HSAs
Kim Houlden	Goldnymph Liliana TDX
Wendy McLean	Aussielab Tomb Raider TDX
Sue Mewse	Ch Glenbogle Bottomly Potts TDX ET
Sue Mewse	Ch Glenbogle Rollin In Clover TDX ET
Roger Corlass	Hilltop Jeager TDX
Kim Houlden	Ch Goldnymph Finvarra TDXP
Alyson Mills	Ch Pagliaccio Emiliana TDX
Christine Bittner	Cyclone Zoe TDX
Debbie Charters	Marksman Mylaminit ET TDX
Nicola Millward	Chase Mtail ADM GD JDM JDO SPD SDX TDX
Alyson Mills	Pagliaccio Alfredo TDX

## **TRACKING CHAMPION TITLES**

Sandra Price	T Ch Benbecura Tobias
Cate Riches	Dual Ch (T) Flatriver Indigo
Alyson Mills	T Ch Pagliaccio Alfredo
Lindel Moore	Dual Ch (T) Tazlon Deldu Echo
Margaret Widelock	T Ch Allambie Snippetts HT
Necia Lynch	Dual Ch (T) Deelee Bambini Bernardo CCD
Wendy Seng Hpa	T Ch Kazkiri Tigerlily
Bev Reid	Dual Ch. (T) Taqsim Signet Silknsnake
Susan Mc Kay	T Ch Heiderst Sheer Xtravagnc
Sue Mewse	Dual Ch (T) Glenbogle Rolling In Clover ET
Sue Mewse	Dual Ch (T) Glenbogle Bottomly Potts ET
Jean Irvine	T Ch Khayoz Molly In Disguise
Sarah Davies	T Ch Stellar
Alyson Mills	Dual Ch (T) Pagliaccio Emiliana
<u>Wendy McLean</u>	T Ch Aussielab Tomb Raider
Kim Houlden	Dual Ch (T) Goldnymph Finvarra
Joan Aston	T Ch Bruarong Hamish CDX HSAs
Joan Aston	T Ch Ryans Heather CDX TDX HSAs
Robert Tester	T Ch Goldnymph Annysia
Jade Boyce	T Ch Zessinhuf Ari
Bobbee Terrill	T Ch Cabulla River Aorborn CD GD JD SD SPD PT ET
Judy Pillinger	T Ch Marksman Mymelody ET
Jody Firth	T Ch Eternbur True Destiny
Rhonda Williams	Dual Ch (T) Injitali Sir Bouncealot
Rhonda Williams	Grand & Dual Ch (T) Injitali Intrigue CCD
Judith Strachan	T Ch Dellaress Dartanyon CCD
Debbie Charters	T Ch Truganini Dream Chaser CD
Roger Corlass	T Ch Hilltop Jeager
Yvonne Tomkinson	T Ch Terraway Solar Flare CD AD JDX GD SD ET
Nicola Millward	T Ch Chase Mtail ADM GD JDM JDO SPDX SDX

## **TRACK AND SEARCH DOG TITLES**

Sue Keane	T Ch Crowlee Forklore TSD
Margaret Widelock	Sing Ch & T Ch Cartmel Luna Do Mar AD JD SD SPD TSD
Denise Chrystal	Dual Ch. (T) Waiwila Woodstock TSD ADM4 JDM6 SPDX SDM
Lynn Klecka	T Ch Morningmyst Honour Bound TSD
Talia Duell	T Ch Jenhill Silver Streak TSD
Pat Mann	T Ch Magpielane Gully Wind TSD
Trevor May	T Ch Manprince CD ET TSD
Wendy McLean	T Ch Bo McLean TSD
Karen Mather	Dual Ch (T) Ubersein Veni Vidi Vici TSD
Robert Tester	Dual Ch (T) Killara Glacial Peadair "A" "Z" CD TSD
Donna Merrilees	T Ch Quinn TSD HT ET
Donna Merrilees	T Ch Kolinahr Rayne TSD AD JD SPD HT
Dianne Cameron	T Ch Kella TSD HT
Roger Corlass	T Ch Spike UD TSD
<u>Julia Tahourdin</u>	T Ch Killara Padraic "A" "Z" TSD
Margaret Coker	T Ch Sjecoin Dance Card CCD TSD ET
David Hutson	T Ch Aldonza The Boy Wonder CDX TSD
Noelene Jordan	T Ch Aussielab Melody Maker CCD TSD
Margaret Howard	T Ch Karedon Walkin Tall CD ET TSD
Nancy Holden	T Ch Teifi What A Morag CD TSD
Wally Mossop	Dual Ch (T) Talcott Mackason TSD
Nancy Holden	T Ch Teifi Special Magic CDX TSD
Dawn Howard	Dual Ch (T) Killara Padraigin "A" "Z" TSD
Peter Howard	T Ch Fernamber Lantaana CCD TSD
Bernie Evertson	Dual Ch (T) Everweis Park Dream Boy TSD CCD ET
Nicola Millward	T Ch Frankn Furter CCD ADX GD JDX SD SPD TSD

## **TRACK AND SEARCH DOG EXCELLENT TITLES**

Irina Borodinova	T Ch Kerrlane Magic Maveric "A" "Z" BSCLII TSDX
Cate Riches	T Ch Flatriever Lillypilly TSDX CCD
Wendy McLean	T Ch Bo McLean TSDX
Lynn Klecka	T Ch Winterset Devonn TSDX
Lynn Klecka	T Ch Fernamber Edynn CCD TSDX
Margaret Cocker	T Ch Sjecoin Dance Card CCD ET TSDX
Kerrie Pearce	T Ch Glenbala Wild Tornado CD TSDX
Ian Heard	T Ch Glenbala Flying Impact CD TSDX
Margaret Widelock	T Ch Rnbomist Atlas GD HT TSDX
Margaret Widelock	Sing Ch & T Ch Cartmel Luna Do Mar AD JD SD SPD TSDX
Talia Duell	T Ch Jenhill Silver Streak TSDX
Pat Mann	T Ch Magpielane Blossom Wind TSDX
Jeff Taylor	Dual Ch (T) Weilander Earth Goddess TSDX CD ET
Wendy McLean	T Ch Zac McLean TSDX
<u>Kim Houlden</u>	Dual Ch (T) Fernamber Nymph TSDX CDX
Tracey Finn	Dual Ch (T) Ubersein Pucker Up CDX TSDX
Linda Evertson	Dual Ch (T) Everweis Park Xquizid TSDX ET CD
Robert Tester	Dual Ch (T) Killara Glacial Peadair "A" "Z" CD TSDX
Donna Merrilees	T Ch Kyrashay Flex AD JD HSAs ET TSDX
Dainne Cameron	T Ch Kella TSDX HT
Margaret Howard	T Ch Karedon Walkin Tall CD ET TSDX
Judy Pillinger	Dual Ch (T) Coppertop Caucha Looking CCD TSDX ET
Nancy Holden	T Ch Teifi What a Morage CD TSDX
Susie & John Baird	Dual Ch (T) Rakaaz Just One Look TSDX ET
Nancy Holden	T Ch Teifi Special Magic CDX TSDX
Deb Hamilton	T Ch Goldscout Adventuress AD JD SPD SD TSDX

# Take The Lead

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Unless your dog is a 'natural' at tracking and you simply have to hold the lead, you will need to learn some handling skills to be successful. The lead is a method of communication between you and your dog. You will need to become observant to detect subtle changes in tension on the lead and also ensure that you don't communicate incorrect information back to your dog via the lead.

## Lead Fibres

There are numerous types of leads available and the fibre is a matter of personal preference. One popular lead type is made of nylon or polyester (#1) and has a smooth, shiny surface.



These leads have the advantage of being lightweight and less likely to catch in vegetation. However they can be slippery when wet or burn the hands if the dog has a tendency to pull hard. These problems are easily overcome by wearing a pair of gloves. Saddlery stores sell inexpensive, knitted gloves with rubber dimples covering the palms that are very useful for this purpose.



Brushed polyester is another popular choice (#2). This has a dull, soft surface which is comfortable when holding with bare hands and does not have such a tendency to slip as the nylon lead. However it does absorb a lot of moisture, making it quite heavy. This then makes it more likely to catch in vegetation.

## Between the Dog and Handler

Keep a light, consistent tension on the section of lead between the dog and your hands at all times. Some dogs give only very subtle changes in the tension they apply to the lead when they are on or off the track. If you allow this section of lead to drag along the ground then you will be unable to detect this. The lead is also more vulnerable to catching in vegetation, possibly giving an unwanted correction to your dog when it does so. Applying a constant tension also prevents the lead from tangling around the dog's legs or body.

Some dogs, particularly soft dogs or those new to tracking, are very sensitive to changes in lead tension applied by the handler or when the lead becomes caught in vegetation. If too much pressure or a jerk is applied, it may serve to act as a correction. Some dogs then shut down because when they perceive they are being told that they are wrong when they are on the track, they then have nowhere to go.

## The Human End of the Lead

Next, decide what you are going to do with the "extra lead" between your hands and the end of the lead that is not connected to the dog. Some handlers choose to trail it behind them. This may be a problem if the lead catches in vegetation or tangles around the handler's feet.

Others choose to coil the rope in one hand so that it uncoils easily when the dog moves away from them (#3). If at any stage the distance between the handler and the dog is decreased, then the excess lead is coiled back onto the hand at a rate that maintains a constant tension on the lead. This method avoids tangling problems.

Some handlers prefer to wrap the lead behind their back, especially with a dog that pulls hard. Ensure that your

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lead is in the desired position before the dog commences to track. The action of placing the lead behind one's back can create a jerk on the lead which is interpreted by the dog as a correction.

Several tracking authors recommend using both hands to hold the lead, allowing the lead to hang in a loop between the hands (#3 & #4).

Keeping two hands on the lead allows for much greater control, consistency in tension and better communication. If a kangaroo or hare suddenly appears, most dogs want to give chase. You will have more chance of maintaining your hold on the lead if you are using two hands.

It is impossible to maintain a consistent, light tension upon the lead if only using one hand. Using two hands also minimises the chance of sudden jerks reaching the dog if the handler's end of the lead catches in vegetation.



### **Casting Around**

When the dog is casting around searching for the track, don't allow the lead to jerk. Often handlers have a tendency to grab hold of the lead and not let the dog progress any further forward, when the dog is just about to meet the track. Inexperienced dogs and soft dogs often lack the confidence to be assertive enough to pull forward regardless of the handler's resistance. If you're about to run out of lead, move with your dog to avoid jerking the lead.

The easiest way to maintain a consistent, light tension upon the lead when the dog is casting around is for the handler to hold the lead above his or her head (#5). If necessary, the dog can move behind the handler without the lead becoming tangled around the handler.

### **Soft Hands**

In their book, "Following Ghosts", John Rice and Suzanne Clothier describe their preferred lead handling technique.

"We teach a specific hand position for working the tracking lead that allows the handler to remain soft, attentive and responsive to the dog. While it may seem a little detail, exactly how you hold your lead affects your ability to breathe, walk and think.

Try this simple test: First, take several deep breaths and notice how your ribs, chest and abdomen move as you breathe in and out. Check your jaw - it should be relaxed. Next, bring your hands together towards the centre of your body in a typical track handling position, with one fist above the other, thumbs up and palms held near your diaphragm or even your chest. If you are like most folks, you'll have a habit of holding on with a fairly strong grip, so grab your imaginary lead as you do. Now, check your breathing. What breathing? Interfering with



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your breathing patterns interferes with your ability to think and move with clarity.

Our hand position is deliberately soft and open to help the handler to continue to breathe, think and respond to the dog, and allows for more subtle information to flow up and down the lead.

For our soft hand position, first drop your hands towards your navel. Turn the palms up, with your thumbs pointing outwards and slightly down - imagine that you are softly supporting a thick rope that is coming out from your navel. Instead of a fist, hold your hands as if lightly containing a beautiful butterfly who will be crushed if you tighten your grip. Allow the lead to lay across both palms, passing between thumbs and forefingers. Use your thumbs to control the lead and the dog, slowing with a little pressure or bringing the dog to a complete halt with full pressure and a slight upwards cocking of the wrist.

To test the difference that this hand position makes to your ability to both read and communicate with the dog, put a friend at the end of your tracking lead. First, without telling them which hand position you're using, experiment with your old position and new soft hands. In both positions, try gently slowing your 'dog' as well as stopping her completely. Go back and forth between the two positions, noticing the changes in your body, breathing and tension levels. Ask your 'dog' for some feedback - "How does this feel?"

Next, close your eyes and have your 'dog' move as if on a track. Your 'dog' can hesitate, pull hard, take turns, circle, etc. Using both hand positions, see what information you can read coming up the lead. One of John's students was shocked to open her eyes and realise that in the soft hand position, she was able to clearly read his direction changes - which were only 2-4" either way! In the old hand position, he had to move more than a foot before she could clearly feel that change

# ***TRACKING CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.***

## ***Tracking Test One***

- VENUE:** Officer
- ON:** Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2012  
(and if required Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2012)
- JUDGE:** Mrs Judy Pillinger
- ENTRY FEES:** TCV Members **\$25.00** per tests  
Non-Members **\$35.00** per test  
Inc. VCA surcharges & Catalogue
- SINGLE MEMBERSHIP FEES:** Tracking Club of Victoria, is \$45.00 including joining fee
- ENTRIES TO:** Mrs. Andrea Sciberras  
11 Ottawa Ave, BLACKBURN 3130  
Telephone: 9877 1528  
Mobile for days of trial only:- 0419 877152  
Cheques Payable to: Tracking Club of Victoria Inc.  
*A self-addressed stamped business size envelope must be included for return of location map, etc*
- ENTRIES CLOSE:** March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012
- CHECK IN:** 7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.
- JUDGING COMMENCES:** 8.00 a.m.  
This TEST 1 is held on private property and must not be visited at any other time, before or after the trial.

**THE CLUB RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONTRACT  
ADDITIONAL JUDGES, IF REQUIRED, FOR THIS EVENT.**

***IF AN EXCESSIVE ENTRY IS RECEIVED, A BALLOT WILL BE HELD  
AT 11 OTTAWA AVE, BLACKBURN AT 7.00 P.M.  
ON THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> April 2012***





## Track and Search Dog Trial, restricted to Tests

1 to 5

**VENUE:** Victorian Field and Game Association, Bells Road, Haddon

**WHEN:** Friday 27th, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> and

(if required) Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2012

**JUDGES:** Lynn Klecka and Dawn Howard

**ENTRY FEES:** *All Tests 1 - 5,      Members- \$30.00      Non Members - \$40.00*  
*Per Test* (Inc. VCA levies, surcharge & catalogue).

**ENTRIES TO:** Peter Howard, 5B Cloud Street, Arthurs Seat Vic. 3936.  
Telephone: 03 5987 3322 Mobile: 0403 188823

Cheques Payable to: Tracking Club of Victoria Inc.

A self-addressed stamped business size envelope must be included for return of location map, etc

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012

**CHECK IN:** 7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.

**JUDGING COMMENCES:** 7.30am

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**Please note the name and experience of your helper on your entry form.**

If an excessive entry is received, a ballot will be held at the State Dog Centre Westernport Highway Skye, Thursday 19th April 2012 at 2 pm. The committee reserves the right to substitute judges or add to the judging panel should the entry be excessive.

## **KNOX OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC. OPEN TRACKING TRIAL**



- Venue:** Haddon Shooting Range  
Bells Road, Haddon. Via Ballarat
- On:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2012
- Judges:** Mrs Ute May, Mrs Judy Pillinger, Mr Rob Tester
- Entry Fees:** Tests 1 - 7 = \$35 per test  
(includes catalogue, VCA levies and surcharge)
- Entries To:** Mr Trevor May  
47 Amersham Drive  
Wantirna 3152  
Phone AH 9801 7287 (no calls after 9.30pm)  
Cheques payable to: Knox Obedience Dog Club Inc.
- A stamped self addressed envelope must be included  
for return of direction map etc. (Prefer 110 X 220mm size)
- Entries Close:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2012
- Check in:** 6.30am to 7.00am
- Judging Commences:** 7.00 am Sharp
- Catering:** Yes **WILL** be available  
Saturday Night Dinner will also be available @ \$10 per  
person payable on the night.  
Please indicate interest with entry as numbers required for  
catering.

**If entries are excessive, a ballot will be drawn at Knox Obedience Dog Club Inc., Knox Park Knoxfield at 8pm on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

**If insufficient entries are received to warrant the two days trial as scheduled, the trial will be held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2012.**

**If tracks become available and time permits, a ballot will be held for those who may wish to "Track On".**

**The club reserves the right to substitute Judges if the need arises.**

## **GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**



### ***11<sup>th</sup> Restricted to Group 3 TRACKING TRIAL***

All exhibitors please note this tracking trial is restricted to dogs registered on either the Main or Limited Registers of a Group 3 breed which are:-

Brittany, Chesapeake Bay Retriever, Clumber Spaniel, Cocker Spaniel, Cocker Spaniel (American), Curly Coated Retriever, English Setter, English Springer Spaniel, Field Spaniel, Flat Coated Retriever, German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Golden Retriever, Gordon Setter, Hungarian Vizsla, Hungarian Wirehaired Vizsla, Irish Red and White Setter, Irish Setter, Irish Water Spaniel, Italian Spinone, Labrador Retriever, Lagotto Romagnolo, Large Munsterlander, Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, Pointer, Sussex Spaniel, Weimaraner, Weimaraner (Longhair) and Welsh Springer Spaniel.

- VENUE:** Inverleigh
- ON:** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> & Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2012
- JUDGES:** Mrs. Helen den Hartog
- ENTRY FEES:** Test 1- \$25.00  
All Other Tests - \$35.00 per test  
(Above amounts include all VCA surcharges & levies plus catalogue).
- ENTRIES TO:** Mrs. Lynn Klecka  
110-112 McClelland Ave Lara 3212  
Telephone: 5282 3986 Mobile :-0412 681952  
Cheques Payable to: Golden Retriever Club of Victoria Inc.  
**A stamped self addressed envelope must be enclosed for return of details.**
- ENTRIES CLOSE:** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2012.
- CHECK IN:** 7.00a.m. to 7.30 a.m.
- JUDGING COMMENCES:** 8.00 a.m. each day.

THE CLUB RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONTRACT  
ADDITIONAL JUDGE/S SHOULD THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES  
WARRANT IT.

***IF AN EXCESSIVE ENTRY IS RECEIVED, A BALLOT WILL BE HELD  
AT 110-112 McCLELLAND AVE, LARA AT 8.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2012  
IF TRACKS BECOME AVAILABLE AND TIME PERMITS, A BALLOT WILL BE  
HELD  
FOR THOSE WHO MAY WISH TO "TRACK ON".***

## ***Working Dog Club of Victoria***

### ***Restricted to Group 5 Tracking Trial***

Competitors please note that this trial is restricted to those breeds associated with the Working Dog Group.

***VENUE:*** Dromana

***ON:*** Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> and (if entries warrant), Monday 28<sup>th</sup>  
May 2012

***JUDGES:*** Mrs Lynn Klecka

***ENTRY FEE:*** Tests 1 to 7 \$35 per test

***ENTRIES TO:*** Mrs Dawn Howard  
5B Cloud Street, Arthurs Seat Vic. 3936.  
Telephone 03 5987 3322  
Mobile 0412 088 055  
Cheques Payable to: Working Dog Club of  
Victoria Inc.

***ENTRIES CLOSE:*** Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012

***CHECK IN:*** 7.00 am

***JUDGING COMMENCES:*** 7.30 am

***IF AN EXCESSIVE ENTRY IS RECEIVED, A BALLOT WILL BE HELD at KCC PARK,  
THURSDAY 5TH May 2011 at 2PM.***

***The committee reserves the right to substitute judges or add to the judging panel should the  
entry be excessive.***

Special prizes: Sash for the best performing GSD over the weekend.

If tracks become available and time permits, a ballot will be held for those who may wish to  
"Track On" at this trial.



## Track and Search Dog Trial, restricted to Test 6 only

**VENUE:** KCC Park and surrounding streets

**WHEN:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and (if required) June 20<sup>th</sup> 2012

**JUDGES:** Kim Houlden and Dawn Howard

**ENTRY FEES:** *Members- \$30.00 Non Members - \$40.00 Per Test*  
(Inc. VCA levies, surcharge & catalogue).

**ENTRIES TO:** Peter Howard, 5B Cloud Street, Arthurs Seat Vic. 3936.  
Telephone: 03 5987 3322 Mobile: 0403 188823

Cheques Payable to: Tracking Club of Victoria Inc.

A self-addressed stamped business size envelope must be included for return of location map, etc

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2012

**CHECK IN:** 6.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

**JUDGING COMMENCES:** 7.00 pm

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**Please note the name and experience of your helper on your entry form.**

If an excessive entry is received, a ballot will be held at the State Dog Centre Westernport Highway Skye, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at 2 pm. The committee reserves the right to substitute judges or add to the judging panel should the entry be excessive.



## Track and Search Dog Trial, restricted to Tests 1 to 5

**VENUE:** Inverleigh  
**WHEN:** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June, Sunday 1<sup>th</sup> July  
& (if required) Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2012  
**JUDGES:** Helen Den Hartog and Kim Houlden

### ***ENTRY FEES***

All **Tests 1 - 5**, (\$30.00 Members) (\$40.00 Non Members) per test (This fee Inc. VCA levies, surcharges & catalogue).  
Plus additional \$2.00 Levy payable on 1<sup>st</sup> entry only (This fee is payable directly to Parks Victoria for use of land)

### **TOTAL FEE PAYABLE**

**FIRST ENTRY:-** \$32.00 for TCV members and \$42.00 for non members

**SUBSEQUENT ENTRIES:-** \$30.00 for TCV members and \$40.00 for non members

**ENTRIES TO:** Dawn Howard, 5B Cloud Street, Arthurs Seat Vic. 3936.  
Telephone: 03 5987 3322 Mobile: 0403 188823

Cheques Payable to: Tracking Club of Victoria Inc.  
A self-addressed stamped business size envelope **must be included** for return of location map, etc

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2012

**CHECK IN:** 7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.

**JUDGING COMMENCES:** 7.30am

*If an excessive entry is received, a ballot will be held at the State Dog Centre, Westernport Highway Skye at 2.00 p.m. on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2012. The committee reserves the right to substitute judges or add to the judging panel should the entry be excessive.*

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## WARRAGUL AND DISTRICT KENNEL AND OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB, INC



### TRACKING AND SEARCH DOG TRIAL – TESTS 1 TO 5

VENUE: Burke Street Park, Warragul

DATE: Saturday 7th, Sunday 8th & Monday 9th July 2012

JUDGES: Mrs Lynn Klecka, Mrs Dawn Howard & Mrs Kim Houlden

ENTRY FEES: \$40 inc. DV surcharge and catalogue

Please email entry if possible –

Use an official entry form and attach it to your email

Payments to BSB 013-735, acct 5317-21827 (C Riches), mark as TSD

I will acknowledge receipt within 5 days.

Your trial information will be returned by email.

If using a postal entry, cheques payable to Warragul & Dist. K & O Club

Postal entries must include a self-addressed stamped envelope for return of trial information. ( A text message or phone call to confirm safe arrival of your postal entry is advised.)

Entries to:

Cate Riches

PO Box 65

Boolarra, Vic 3870

Phone 5169 6632

Mobile 0427 309 008

Email [flatriever@netspace.net.au](mailto:flatriever@netspace.net.au)

ENTRIES CLOSE; Friday 22 June 2012

CHECK IN: 7am to 7.15am.

JUDGING COMMENCES: 7.30am.

If an excessive entry is received, a ballot will be held at 160 Pharaohs Road, Warragul at 7pm on Wednesday 26 June 2012

If insufficient entries are received to warrant the three days trial as scheduled, the trial will be held on Saturday and Sunday only.

# TRACKING CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.

## *OPEN TRACKING TRIAL*

**VENUE:** Broadford

**ON:** Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>, & Monday 16<sup>th</sup>, July 2012

**JUDGES:** Mrs. Dawn Howard, Mrs. Kim Houlden, Mr Peter Miller

*Additional Judges to be drawn from the emergency list if required*

**ENTRY FEES:** *All Tests 1 - 7, \$25.00 Members, \$35.00 Non Members  
Per tests, (Inc. VCA levies, surcharge & catalogue).*

*Single*

**Membership fees:** *Tracking Club of Victoria is \$45.00 including joining fee*

**ENTRIES TO:** Mrs. Andrea Sciberras  
11 Ottawa Ave Blackburn 3130  
Telephone: 03 98771528  
Mobile for days of trial only: - 0419 877152  
Cheques Payable to: Tracking Club of Victoria Inc.  
**A self-addressed stamped business size envelope must be  
Included for return of location map, etc  
Also if you have passed before our ballot please advise**

**ASAP**

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2012

**CHECK IN:** 7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.

**JUDGING**

**COMMENCES:** 8.00 a.m.

***IF AN EXCESSIVE ENTRY IS RECEIVED, A BALLOT WILL BE HELD  
AT 11 OTTAWA AVE, BLACKBURN AT 8.00 P.M.  
ON THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JULY 2012***

***IF TRACKS BECOME AVAILABLE AND TIME PERMITS, A BALLOT WILL BE  
HELD  
FOR THOSE WHO MAY WISH TO "TRACK ON".***



March 2012

**BALLAARAT DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB II**  
**OPEN TRACKING TRIAL**



**VENUE:** Haddon Shooting Range  
Bells Rd. Haddon (Via Balla

**ON:** Saturday 28th, Sunday 29th & Monday 30th 2012 ly

**JUDGES:** Mrs U. May, Mr. R. Tester & Mrs. D. Crystal

**ENTRY FEE:** All tests-- \$35.00 per test. (includes VCA levies, surcharge, catalogue & lunch)

**ENTRIES TO:** Tracking Trial Manager  
Raeleen McLeod  
309 Eureka St Ballarat 3350  
Ph. 03 53313525 (no calls after 9.30pm)

Cheques payable to: Ballaarat Dog Obedience Club Inc.

A stamped self addressed envelope must be included for return of location map etc.

Upgrades only may be emailed to

[skybrook@tadaust.org.au](mailto:skybrook@tadaust.org.au)

Phone No. for trial days only Jan Bradley--0400115990  
John Hodges--0421249919

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Friday 14th July 2012

**CHECK IN:** 6.45am to 7.15am

**JUDGING COMMENCES:** 7.30am

If an excessive entry is received a ballot will be held at Ballaarat Dog Club rooms, Victoria Park Ballarat on Monday 17th July at 8pm

All upgrades must be emailed or phoned to the trial manager no later than Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July. If there are too many upgrading to larger tracks, a ballot may have to be held.

# TRACKING CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.

## *OPEN TRACKING TRIAL*

**VENUE:** "Inverleigh" Victoria

**ON:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> & Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2012

**JUDGES:** Mrs Judy Pillinger, Mrs Lynn Klecka

*Additional Judges to be drawn from the emergency list if required*

**ENTRY FEES:** All Tests 1 - 7, \$25.00 Members, \$35.00 Non Members  
Per tests, (Inc. VCA levies, surcharge & catalogue).

**SINGLE MEMBERSHIP FEES:** Tracking Club of Victoria is \$45.00 including joining fee

**ENTRIES TO:** Mrs. Andrea Sciberras  
11 Ottawa Ave Blackburn 3130  
Telephone: 03 98771528  
Mobile for days of trial only: - 0419 877152  
Cheques Payable to: Tracking Club of Victoria Inc.  
**A self-addressed stamped business size envelope must be  
Included for return of location map, etc  
Also if you have passed before our ballot please advise**

**ASAP**

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

**CHECK IN:** 7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.

**JUDGING  
COMMENCES:** 8.00 a.m.

***IF AN EXCESSIVE ENTRY IS RECEIVED, A BALLOT WILL BE HELD  
AT 11 OTTAWA AVE, BLACKBURN AT 8.00 P.M.  
ON THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2012***

***IF TRACKS BECOME AVAILABLE AND TIME PERMITS, A BALLOT WILL BE  
HELD  
FOR THOSE WHO MAY WISH TO "TRACK ON".***

March 2012

**BALLAARAT DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB INC.**  
**OPEN TRACKING TRIAL**



**VENUE:** Haddon Shooting Range  
Bells Rd. Haddon (Via Ballarat)

**ON:** Saturday 8th, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> & Monday 10th Sept

**JUDGES:** Mrs U. May, Mr. Peter Miller & Ms. T. Wileman

**ENTRY FEE:** All tests-- \$35.00 per test. (includes VCA levies, surcharge, catalogue & lunch)

**ENTRIES TO:** Tracking Trial Manager  
Raeleen McLeod  
309 Eureka St Ballarat 3350  
Ph. 03 53313525 (no calls after 9.30pm)

Cheques payable to: Ballaarat Dog Obedience Club Inc.

A stamped self addressed envelope must be included for return of location map etc. Upgrades only may be emailed to [skybrook@tadaust.org.au](mailto:skybrook@tadaust.org.au)

Phone No. for trial days only. Jan Bradley--0400115990  
John Hodges--0421249919

**ENTRIES CLOSE** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2012

**CHECK IN:** 6.45am to 7.15am

**JUDGING COMMENCES:** 7.30am

If an excessive entry is received, a ballot will be held at Ballaarat Dog Club rooms, Victoria Park Ballarat on Monday 27th August at 8pm.

All upgrades must be emailed or phoned to the Trial Manager no later than Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August. If there are too many upgrading to larger tracks a ballot may have to be held.

# *Tracking Club of Victoria Inc*

## *Mini Tracking Workshop*

8.00am - 2.00pm

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2012

Cost Nil

(BYO Food, Drinks, etc)

Venue: Ground to be finalized and advised when booking

Bookings taken from between April 16<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012

Preference will be given to beginners and dogs, which have not gained their TD Title  
Attendees must be financial members of the Tracking Club of Victoria

If you wish to be part of this enjoyable and informative day please telephone Andrea  
Sciberras on 9877-1528

Tracking Club of Victoria Inc

Mini Tracking Workshop

8.00am - 2.00pm

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Cost Nil

(BYO Food, Drinks, etc)

Venue: Ground to be finalized and advised when booking

Bookings taken from between August 20<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Preference will be given to beginners and dogs, which have not gained their TD Title  
Attendees must be financial members of the Tracking Club of Victoria

If you wish to be part of this enjoyable and informative day please telephone Andrea  
Sciberras on 9877-1528

# Tracking Club of Victoria Inc. Annual Tracking Workshop Weekend

**DATE:**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012

**VENUE:**

Moira Scout Camp Shepparton

**COST:**

<b>TCV MEMBERS:</b>	<b>\$160.00 per person</b>
<b>NON-MEMBERS</b>	<b>\$200.00 per person</b>

*Please bring you own plates and eating utensil together with your dog's food etc.*

**TIME:**

Arrival at Moira Scout Campgrounds, on Friday night for talk, which will commence 8.00 pm sharp

The facility will be open from 4.00pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

The above costs cover all meals on Saturday & Sunday plus supper Friday night following the talk.

You will have to make your own arrangements for dinner prior to your arrival on Friday evening

The weekend concludes on the Sunday at approximately 2.00pm

**ACCOMMODATION:**

There is bunk style accommodation available: you just have to bring your own sleeping bag etc

Or you may wish to pitch a tent or bring the caravan. (Please note that tents and caravans can only be set up in designated areas so please check with one of committee before commencing set- up, sorry no power on site for caravans)

The site has shower and toilet facilities

If you wish to be part of this very enjoyable and informative weekend, with great food, great instructors and a whole lot of fun, please fill in the following registration form and return it with your cheque to:-

Mrs. Andrea Sciberras, 11 Ottawa Ave., Blackburn 3130 Tel: 03 9877 1528

**From Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2012. (LIMITED NUMBERS)**  
(CHEQUE / MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: TRACKING CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.)

March 2012

Tracking Club of Victoria Inc. Workshop Weekend 2012

NAME of all  
attending.....TELEPHONE.....

ADDRESS.....

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING.....

Name & Contact of Emergency Person.....

HOW MANY DOGS WILL ACCOMPANY YOU? .....

You can bring as many dogs as you like but only one dog will be trained on the weekend,  
time does not allow for more than one dog.

What breed of dog do you have?.....

Dogs Name.....Please put down which dog belongs to whom?

DO YOU HAVE A HARNESS FOR YOUR DOG YES / NO.

At what level is your dog tracking.....

Victorian Canine Association Membership Number.....

Please circle if applicable:-

ARE YOU A VEGETARIAN?      YES / NO,

ARE YOU A VEGAN      YES / NO

Please call before sending this form, & if you have any other special dietary needs.

Camping please circle one:

CARAVAN, TENT, CAR, or DORMITORY.

CHEQUE / MONEY ORDER ENCLOSED \$.....

Please enclose a business size self-addressed envelope for return of directions and what to bring.

**Sorry no refund if cancelling two weeks before the workshop**