



Nose to the Ground

TrackWest Newsletter – December 2012

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President's Report



Hello All

Firstly I would like to thank to Sue, Neil, Carol, Judy, Jim, Desma and Lauren for staying on committee and to welcome on committee Natasha, Rob and Keith waiting in the sidelines and a huge thank you to Louise she will be a hard act to follow and Valeta for all her time and efforts on behalf on our club.

Also like to give a huge thank you to Judy Tsakalos who made all the harnesses and leads this past season and still managed to do the Trial Secretary even with me jumping up and down in the background say help we need more leads or harnesses. A fantastic job Judy you are a marvel as you had to take over a couple of the Track and Search trials as well.

As a lot of you know I have been tracking for a long time in one capacity or another and have a great love of this sport and this club and will always try to do my very best for the club and its members.

When TrackWest started 17 years ago there were not a lot of alternatives to do with our dogs, there was obedience and agility was in its formative years and only had one level Agility Dog. Now we are competing with a lot of other dogs sports DWD, Agility, Jumping, Herding, Retrieving and of course obedience which now includes Rally O, so people and dogs are being stretched for time so I really want to make our club and its training and events as enjoyable as we can as well as being well run.

So thank you all for a great year and looking forward to tracking in 2013. Have a safe and Merry Christmas.

Secretary's Report



The summer break is a welcome relief from the hectic pace for the last six months.

Please remember to keep your dogs cool.

This is a time to try something different with you pooch. Try Rally-0 or even consider Dances with Dogs.

You can still practice with your scent articles and have 'fun' tracking games with your dog.

Once tracking commences next April you will be surprised that your dogs have not forgotten and will be even more excited than their first year.

I wish everyone a Happy and Healthy Christmas and all the best in the New Year.

Carol

From the Editor's desk



I am looking forward to receiving great news from you.

Please send those hot summer pics and warm summer night's gossip.

May you all have a safe and wonderful Christmas.

Lynne Jooste
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Pre-Season Tracking Open Day

Venue: Whiteman Park (Shelter T, near car park 20)
Date: Saturday, 23rd March 2013
Time: 8.00am to 11.00am
Enquiries: Jim Spence (Training Co-ordinator) jim.beth1@optusnet.com.au
Carol Freele (Secretary) info@trackwest.com.au
www.trackwest.com.au

Refreshments: BYO

Equipment: Fixed collar, lead, food or favourite toy

This workshop for beginners is held prior to commencement of tracking season (commencing Saturday, April 6, 2013).

Handlers will be instructed on how to train their dogs in this fascinating and rewarding sport which utilizes the dog's natural ability.

Presentation Dinner 2012

Firstly thank you all for coming to help celebrate everyone getting their titles. A lovely night in a great venue after comments from members that they were not happy with the Croatian club we had a hunt around and found the lovely venue of Willow Ponds and it was a lovely night to celebrate the past year and the fact that we managed to crack the 50 titles gained in a season.

Many, many thanks to Louise and Carolyn for all their efforts in making it a wonderful night that went so smoothly. It takes a lot of effort for an event like that to work and everyone worked very hard to make it work and it did well done, we do appreciate everything you did so we could all celebrate.

Congratulations to Lynne Jooste on being granted life membership. Lynne has done so much for this club with being President and judging and the amazing way she juggles getting her tracks in and judging whilst looking after 2 small children. Lynne you are amazing.

Congratulations to Sue Fletcher on being awarded the Tutu award a most deserving winner and someone who always puts the club and its members first and works tirelessly to help.

We had a couple of new awards this year the first being top trainer. This award came into being as a Memorial trophy in honour of Leone Holdsworth. Congratulations to Jim Spence on gaining this award. Jim is an amazing font of knowledge and will be very appreciated as our Training Co-ordinator. The next award was the top tracklayer award. This trophy was donated by Gail and Neville Rickhard our visitors this season from Tasmania for the Stinkiest tracklayer so we made that slightly more polite and called it the top tracklayer and amazingly enough was awarded to Galina who laid 14 tracks during the season and only had one dog fail. Galina is also from Tasmania and came over with her husband Dennis. Also this last season Blaise Johnson donated the trophy for the Best First year dog and it went to the very deserving Deb Phillips with Hogan. To go from starting in this season to achieving their TDX title is an amazing feat. Well done.

Thanks again everyone for all your help and support over the last season
Gerry



TUTU MEMORIAL 2012

Sue Fletcher

As our Training Co-ordinator, a Trainer and a Judge I think Sue must have thought she lived at Gngangara throughout the season! On top of that huge workload, Sue is always willing to help with any task, whether it be selling tickets, helping at lunches, helping to train the trainee Judges, or helping to do creative computer stuff!

Sue jumps in with both feet to help TrackWest and her positive “can do” attitude is contagious. She is always willing to help others and especially makes new members feel welcome.

Her passion and dedication to TrackWest makes her a deserving winner of the Tutu Memorial.



Leone Holdsworth Top Trainer Award 2012

Jim Spence



Club Champion 2012

Mara Agpar



Life Membership

Lynne Jooste



“Throughout the last 10 years Lynne has contributed in many ways, as a Trainer, a Judge, a committee member and as a President.

Even busy as she is with two new tracklayers Lynne has still come back to Judge, do a morning tea talk and is currently our Newsletter Editor.

She always lights up the room or the forest with her bubbly personality and positive energy. She is a fantastic ambassador for TrackWest and it is our privilege to award Life Membership to Lynne Jooste.”

Fundraiser BBQ - Great Success

Thank you to everyone who came and helped and for your amazing efforts on Sunday 14th October with helping with the BBQ at Bunnings. It was a great day and extremely busy even with the rain and a learning curve for me as I panicked as did not order enough food when they forecast rain so we ran out of a lot of stuff and many thank to Trevor and Valeta who saved the day by rushing home to get their gazebo when the Bunning's one was in a horrible mess and could not be put up and Judy who spent the afternoon rushing backward and forwards to Coles to get more rolls and onions and ice etc. So to you all we could not have done it without your help and we raised just over \$800 which was a pretty good first effort and much more than we could of raised by running raffles and again it was so that we could raise funds and not keep knocking down our own members for more and more money.

So again thank you.

Gerry



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2013

Saturday, March 23	TrackWest Open Day - Whiteman Park
Saturday, April 6	Training starts at Gnangara
Saturday, May 18 and Wednesday May 22	Tracking Trial
Saturday, May 25, Sunday May 26 and Wednesday May 29	Track & Search Trial
Saturday, June 8 and Wednesday June 12	Tracking Trial
Saturday, June 22, Sunday June 23 and Wednesday June 26	Track & Search Trial
Saturday, June 29 and Wednesday July 3	Tracking Trial
Saturday, July 13 and Wednesday July 17	CHRISTMAS IN JULY - Tracking Trial
Saturday, July 20, Sunday July 21 and Wednesday July 24	Track & Search Trial
Saturday, July 27 and Wednesday July 31	Tracking Trial
Saturday, August 10 and Wednesday August 14	Tracking Trial
Saturday, August 17, Sunday August 18 and Wednesday August 21	Track & Search Trial
Saturday, August 31, Sunday September 4	Tracking Trial
Saturday, September 14 and Wednesday September 18	Tracking Trial (last one)
Saturday, 21st September	BREAKFAST IN THE BUSH
Tuesday, 16th October	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Saturday, 26 October	Track & Search Trial - Urban only
Saturday, 9th November	PRESENTATION DINNER

TRACKWEST DOG CLUB (INC)

NEW MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL FORM - 2013

Please send to:
The Secretary
Carol Freele
27 Aerolite Way
Beldon WA 6027



DATE OF JOINING: _____
(AS RECEIPTED BY THE SECRETARY OR TREASURER)

Memberships for 1st September 2012 - 31st August 2013		TACK
SINGLE (NEW) Including Nomination Fee \$10 <i>Payable by new members on joining, or for members rejoining after a lapse in membership.</i>	\$45	
FAMILY (NEW) Including Nomination Fee \$10 <i>Payable by new members on joining, or for members rejoining after a lapse in membership.</i>	\$60	
RENEWAL SINGLE	\$35	
RENEWAL FAMILY	\$50	

Membership No: _____

Paid by: Cheque/Cash Received by: _____
TrackWest Representative

(please print neatly)

NAME: _____

Phone (Home): _____

Mobile: _____

Member's CWA No: (if applicable) _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ P/C _____

E-mail Address: _____

I/We hereby apply for membership and agree to be bound by TrackWest Dog Club (Inc) Rules and Regulations.

_____ initial

PTO for adding your Dog/s information and signature.

1.
DOG'S PEDIGREE NAME _____
PET NAME _____
DOG'S REG No _____ BREED _____
DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____ SEX _____
CAWA NUMBER _____ Sterilized? YES NO (circle)

2.
DOG'S PEDIGREE NAME _____
PET NAME _____
DOG'S REG No _____ BREED _____
DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____ SEX _____
CAWA NUMBER _____ Sterilized? YES NO (circle)

DO YOU HOLD A CURRENT FIRST AID CERTIFICATE? YES NO

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS:

Name:

Relationship:

Phone: Mobile:

In case of Emergency do you have any relevant medical issues/allergies? (optional)

I/We hereby apply for membership and agree to be bound by TrackWest Dog Club (Inc) Rules and Regulations.

Applicant's Signature(s).

Date

IMPORTANT

**YOU AND YOUR DOG MUST BE A FINANCIAL MEMBER OF CAWA,
BEFORE YOU ARE PERMITTED, TO ENTER A TRIAL.**

 Wondershare

PDF Editor