# **FAITHFULLY YOURS**



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Club website - www.godc.org.au



### CLUB CALENDAR

Sunday	1 March	<u>March</u> Normal training. Class 1 Intake. Puppy Intake for fully
		vaccinated puppies under 6 months
Sunday	8 March	LABOUR DAY WEEKEND. NO TRAINING
Sunday	15 March	Newsletter closes for articles, reports, etc
Sunday	15 March	Normal training.
Monday	17 March	Instructor's Meeting – 7.30 pm.
Sunday	22 March	Normal training
Sunday	29 March	Normal training. Newsletter available

### CLUB INSTRUCTORS

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### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face"

\* Ben Williams





### REPORTS REPORTS REPORTS

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Now that we are back training it has been good to catch up with Members and hear their amusing dog tales over the Xmas break. Some dogs are getting into the training routine slowly after the break and there are many that love to come to Club to catch up with their friends. Sadly early February there were many dogs and their owners displaced due to the bushfires and the support from the Club and members of the Public has been overwhelming. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Members of GODC for their donations to help those people and dogs in need, and for Jirrhalinga wildlife sanctuary. The recovery from the devastation will continue for months.

Attached to this issue are the Trial help forms. If you can spare some time please fill in the form and hand it to the office. Paul (our Trial Sec) will assist you if you have any questions.

#### **Tina Button – President**

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### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Firstly I would like to thank everyone who donated to the bushfire appeal. The recipients are very grateful. It will be a long while for them to fully recover from the ordeal. How you can help at a trial forms are coming in and we are still requiring volunteers for the two days, Kathy will be requiring helpers in the Canteen, so if you have an hour or more to spare on either of the days please let us know.

**Karen Millard - Secretary** 

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### **From the Editor**

Apologies to Colin Humphreys. I omitted his name as an Instructor in the last issue. The Instructor list has now been amended and up to date.

Faithfully yours is now available to view and download on our website as a PDF file.



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# What is an Obedience Title, Really?

by Sandy Mowery of Highland, Wis.\*

\*Not just a brag, not just a stepping-stone to a higher title, not just an adjunct to competitive scores, a title is a tribute to the dog that bears it, a way to honour the dog, an ultimate memorial. It will remain, in record and in memory, for about as long as anything in this world can remain. Few humans will do as well or better.\*

\*And though the dog itself doesn't know or care that its achievements have been noted, a title says many things in the world of humans, where such things count. A title says your dog was intelligent and adaptable and good-natured. It says that your dog loved you enough to do the things that pleased you however crazy they may have sometimes seemed.\*

\*And a title says that you loved your dog, that you loved to spend time with it because it was a good dog, that you believed in it enough to give it yet another chance when it failed, and that, in the end, your faith was justified. A title proves your dog inspired you to that special relationship enjoyed by so few; that in a world of disposable creatures, this dog with a title was greatly loved and loved greatly in return.\*

\*And when that dear, short life is over, the title remains as a memorial of the finest kind, the best you can give to a deserving friend, volumes of praise in one small set of initials after the name. An obedience title is nothing less than love and respect given and received and



### LIBRARY NEWS

New books are on the way! Robyn and Steve will have full reports for you in future Newsletters.





### Cooking for your dog

Fish A LA Fifi

200g frozen fish fillet 200g short grain rice 1 Leek 1 Hard boiled egg 2 tomatoes diced 1 tablespoon olive oil

Defrost the fish fillet, cook the rice with 2 cups of water until almost mushy. Remove from the stove. Clean the leek, halve it lengthways, wash thoroughly and cut into very thin strips. Peel the egg and chop finely. Fry the fish in Olive oil on both sides. Add leek and tomatoes and fry with fish for further 5 minutes. Remove from the heat, break up the fish with a fork, add rice and egg, mix well. Allow to cool slightly before feeding. This makes a number of portions.

# Geelong Obedience Dog Club Inc





Location: GODC grounds. Belmont Common, Breakwater rd, Breakwater.

Time: 9am - 4pm both days

Cost: \$90/day or \$160 for both days \$ 10 BBQ dinner Sat evening (Optional)

Morning / Afternoon tea and lunch included in price. Tea & coffee provided. Soft drinks available for purchase.

# Program: Saturday

✤ Pet dog Training & problem solving

# Sunday

Obedience Trialling problem solving including complex skills

For Bookings:

Tina - 0414 363 556.

NB: Limited to 40 places per day. Dogs welcome although Steve may not be able to personally work with your dog. Geelong ODC members will provide majority of dogs for demonstrations.

### Law and Order Some odd bits for your amusement

Law of Mechanical Repair:

After your hands become coated with grease your nose will begin to itch or you'll have to pee.

Law of the Workshop: Any tool, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner.

Law of probability:

The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

Law of the Telephone: When you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal.

Law of the Alibi:

If you tell the boss you were late for work because you had a flat tire, the very next morning you will have a flat tire.

Variation Law:

If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will start to move faster than the one you are in now. (works every time)

Bath Theorem: When the body is fully immersed in water, the telephone rings.

Law of Close Encounters:

The probability of meeting someone you know increases when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.

Law of the Result: When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it will.

Law of Biomechanics:

The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.

Theatre Rule:

At any event, the people whose seats are furthest from the aisle arrive last.

Law of Coffee:

As soon as you sit down to a cup of hot coffee, your boss will ask you to do something which will last until the coffee is cold.

Murphy's Law of Lockers:

If there are only two people in a locker room, they will have adjacent lockers.

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Law of Dirty Rugs/Carpets:

The chances of an open-faced jelly Sandwich of landing face down on a floor covering are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet/rug.

Law of Location: No matter where you go, there you are.

Law of Logical Argument: Anything is possible if you don't know what you are talking about.

Brown's Law: If the shoe fits, it's ugly.

Oliver's Law: A closed mouth gathers no feet.

Wilson 's Law: As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it.

