The Beat

Newsletter of the
Dances with Dogs Club
Queensland

October 2010

Office Bearers 2010

President
Gay Westmore

Vice President
Maree Rablin

Secretary
Sharon Clark

Acting Treasurer
Debby Lamprecht

Trial Secretary &Trophy Officer
Ann Bulke

Assistant Trial Secretary & Trophy Officer
Val Bulte

Publicity Officer
Robyn Kirkman
Email: remok@pacific.net.au

Equipment Officer
Eddie Kirkman

Committee Members
Barbara Murfet Robyn Thomas
Pam Kettle Wendy Russell

Introduction

I don't know about anyone else but I'm still trying to work out where the first 9 months of the year went. We have only have 1 more competition this year which is to be held at Redlands Dog Obedience Club grounds at Judy Holt Oval, Birkdale on 20th November. Details, including closing date for entries, are later in "The Beat".

Don't forget, if you have anything you'd like to be included in future newsletters, please feel free to email it to me. My email address is remok@pacific.net.au .

Robyn K

Omission

Apologies to Maree Field & her Border Collie Mozart, I accidentally omitted then from the Gold Coast Show results in last month's newsletter. They actually won the HTM Starters class with a score of 152Q & got their title. Sorry Maree & Mozart!

Club News

SPONSORSHIP

Vet Products Direct generously donated $100 worth of gift vouchers for the raffle at our October competition.

Vet Products Direct is an online store offering pet products ranging from regular pet supplies to functional pet accessories. Their products cover areas such as heartworm, flea and tick treatments, worming treatments, dog foods and nutritional supplements, natural health products, grooming products including shampoos, conditioners, brushes, combs etc, treats, dog beds, dog toys, dog coats and pet accessories, containment systems and pet behaviour systems. They have products for cats, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians and horses as well as dogs.

You can visit their website (http://www.vetproductsdirect.com.au/) which offers easy navigation and is the smart way of shopping for your pet supplies. As well as an online ordering system, they have a telephone ordering service and a shop front (at Virginia). They also have a Loyalty points program which shows appreciation towards regular customers.

VetProducts DIRECT

VIP Pet Foods is also a major sponsor of the Dances with Dog Club Queensland providing prizes for all placegetters at trials as well as other treats & gifts for competitors.

V.I.P. PETFOODS Fresh and healthy, naturally

Please support the companies that support us!

REACTIVE DOGS

The Club is going to trial a practice that is in place in some obedience clubs. If you do not want your dog or crate to be approached during competitions, yellow tape/yellow ribbon can be attached so that others can clearly see this. This may be due to a reactive dog, or you may just wish to have space while you are preparing yourself and your dog to commence your routine. Yellow tape has been purchased and will be made available at competitions.

TRANSPORTATION OF SPONSORS PRIZES

VIP is very generous with the products they donate to our trials, however the size that the prizes take up in a car can prove problematic when it comes to transportation to trial venues. Most people that are travelling to trials to compete don't have enough available space left in their car after dogs/props/costumes etc are loaded.

It is hoped that for next year's trials we can find 1 person who can co-ordinate the pickup & transportation to trials of the sponsors goods. This doesn't mean that you have to physically do it yourself each trial, but co-ordinate others if available. If you are able to help by either being the co-ordinator or are willing to be on a list to help with the actual transport please contact Sharon at dwdcq@live.com.au .

CLUB TREASURER

Sadly at our last meeting Karen Moore decided to resign her post so the club is searching for a new club treasurer. In the interim Debby Lamprecht has very kindly volunteered to step into the role but this is NOT a long term solution & due to other commitments Debby is only available to do the job for a limited time. This is a great opportunity to become more involved in the club while having Debby available to support and train you in the requirements of the role.

Please contact either Sharon Clark or Gay Westmore to further discuss the requirements of the Treasurer position if you are interested.

Minutes of General Meeting 2/2010

Minutes 5/2010

Time and Date: 10 am, 18 September 2010
Venue: Southside Dog Obedience Club, Wakerley Park, Dew Street, Runcorn

The meeting opened at 10:10 am

1. **Attendance**: Ann Bulke, Angie Burke, Sharon Clark, Pam Kettle, Eddie Kirkman, Robyn Kirkman Debby Lamprecht, Karen Moore, Coral Pethers, Wendy Russell, Trevor Telford, Gay Westmore.

   Apologies: Val Bulte, Maree Field, Gaye Hamilton, Vyvyan Mannion, Jo Meredith, Barb Murfet, Maree Rablin, Robyn Thomas.

2. **Confirmation of minutes of meeting held on 11 July 2010** (previously circulated in newsletter)
   Moved by Karen, second by Eddie; approved, subject to addition that Debby Lamprecht was present,.

3. Business arising out of the minutes

3.1 **Competitions**

Successful conduct of competitions and performances by competitors at the Obedience Dog Club of Brisbane (Oxley) grounds, the Brisbane Royal, Gold Coast Show and Grafton Dog Obedience Club's competition at Camp Tailwaggers were noted. Recognition was given in particular to Coral Pethers, Trevor Telford, Barbara and Col Murfet for their work in relation to the Royal, to all judges, an to Advance, VIP and Annswitch Canines for their sponsorship of various of these events.

It was noted that photos from these events are available at:
http://www.gooddogbaddog.com.au/image-gallery/

Mayfoto website:
http://www.mayfoto.net/brisbane_royal_2010_dances_with.htm

The next competition is at VIP Petfoods grounds at Yatala on 2 October (commencing at 6 pm) and then Redlands Dog Obedience Club on 20 November (commencing at 6.30 pm).

Gay suggested the police should be notified regarding the Redlands competition as there is a club nearby, and the music may be an additional attention getter. Sharon suggested Redlands be offered the options of running a Bar-B-Que – this was agreed.

The concept of seeking to conduct a double header competition (in conjunction with Pine Rivers Dog Obedience Club) on the weekend of 19/20 November 2011 was generally supported. Pine Rivers has ascertained the availability of the Dayboro Showgrounds hall and would be willing to run the Saturday competition, with DWDCQ possibly running a second competition early on the Sunday.

3.2 Club merchandise

The Club T-shirts have now arrived and it is excellent to see so many members wearing them at public and club events. They are very comfortable to wear and we hope more members will purchase them and wear them proudly. Please contact Karen Moore (malinoiskids@yahoo.com) if you would like to obtain one – cost is $35 each.

Karen has suggested obtaining some more shirts of needed sizes including some of the men's style (more square style) for those women who do not like the more fitted women's style. Karen Moore moved that she be authorised to buy more. Seconded Wendy Russel. All in favour. Karen is prepared to continue with shirts as merchandise officer. Members will be asked to notify Karen of any specific size requirements.

3.3 Competition and training venues

The Mt Gravatt Showgrounds Trust has advised that no decision has been made re improving the floor surface of the Hamlyn-Harris building – it is dependent on a decision by the badminton club to commit funds to the project. If

we did want to proceed with the idea of buying some flooring the size of our ring, they would be able to provide storage. It was agreed at this stage to hold off on any action re this & consider further in future.

Sharon indicated that the softball field at Carina/Carindale may be available – no cost during the day and cost of lights for evening. She suggested that this may be suitable for mock trials in 2011 – venue is very central as it is close to the Gateway. Sharon to make further enquiries.

3.4 Future demonstrations

There was a demonstration at the Manly West State School fete on 4 September.

DWDCQ has also been invited to provide a demonstration at the Guide Dogs Oktoberfest at Petrie on 3 October, around lunch time. If anyone is interested in participating please contact Gay Westmore (gwestmor@bigpond.net.au). Time of demonstration approximately 12.20 pm. To date Ros Smith and Gay Westmore have agreed to participate.

Regarding demos, it was moved by Sharon Clark that Robyn Kirkman has access to the full club email list to email club members directly regarding demonstration requests. Seconded Debby Lamprecht. All in favour.

Gay also indicated there is a possible option of a demo at the Mutdapilly Muster (Variety Australia). Date is not yet set but potentially the weekend after the March competition.

3.5 Workshop for development of handlers' movement/dance skills

The workshop by Karen Moore, 'Poetry in Motion', will be held on 19 September from 12 to 4 pm at the RSPCA facility at Springwood. Cost will be $25 per participant.

3.6 Proposed competitions, 2011

We have obtained approval from the CCC for the conduct of DWD competitions on the following dates in 2011:

Saturday 12 March 2011
Saturday 7 May 2011
Saturday 16 July 2011
Sunday 28 August 2011
Saturday 8 October 2011
Saturday 19 November 2011.

Members endorsed a proposal that the July competition date be changed to 3 July, since both Ann Bulke and Val Bulte will be unavailable on 16 July.

Members noted a proposal regarding 2011 competitions, including dates, venues and judges.

Pine Rivers have now nominated to run the November competition which will be on the north side. Jill and Amanda Houston will be down the Gold Coast earlier in the year and have been asked to judge so it is more convenient to have this competition on the south side.

Acceptance of the attached revised competition dates and associated details was moved by Ann Bulke, second Trevor Telford, all in favour

Venues: Sharon indicated that the facilities at the Presscare Nursing Home (Carina) may be an option for future competitions. The Club has been invited to do a demonstration and it is suggested that if the venue is suitable we approach the facility re possibly running a Saturday afternoon competition there once a year as part of their activities program.

Fay Benjamin has also identified a possible option at the Grange Archery Club at Samford, which has a large indoor area.

Sharon identified a possible option at the church Hall, Emmanuel Uniting Church, Enoggera. The hall is large and has some outdoor area, though access to grassed area is via the footpath. Sharon has emailed the hall manager and she seems open to having the dogs indoors (it is carpeted). However, the request needs to be submitted to others in the Church for decision. This venue was also a possibility for Maree Rablin's workshop. Debby Lamprecht has agreed to arrange to view venue as a further assessment re suitability.

3.7 Advertising in the newsletter and on website

The opportunity for advertisement in our newsletter and website has been publicised in *The Beat.* Costs (per edition) are one-quarter page $10; one-eighth page $5.

Feasibility re website adverts was discussed. It was noted that it was difficult to put adverts at the top of a page. It was agreed to list relevant links, at no charge, for those who provide services relevant to DWD.

Re money for ads in *The Beat*: payment to go to Debby Lamprecht – either bank transfer to the club address or , if posted, cheques to go to Debby. Debby will then email Robyn Kirkman let her know what has been paid for and the text for the advertisement.

Address for payment: Debby Lamprecht
52 McCormack Road South
KURWONGBAH Q 4503

3.8 New members' information kit

Robyn Kirkman reported that only a couple of people have emailed her information for inclusion in the kit. Sharon to email club members again.

3.9 Photography

Subsequent to the last meeting, Daniel Rodger, 'Floating Photographic Images', offered to take photographs at the Oxley and RNA competitions and, in view of the short time elapsing before those events, this offer was gratefully received. Daniel has since submitted a proposal to undertake photography at Club events, which will be read to the meeting.

Photos from the ODCB (Oxley),Gold Coast, RNA and Grafton competitions can be viewed at http://www.gooddogbaddog.com.au/image-gallery/

A letter was received from Daniel requesting consideration that he became a 'sanctioned photographer' for DWDCQ. Rates were outlined and included a small fee to be paid to DWDCQ per order. Sharon Clark moved that Daniel was accepted as the Club's Sanctioned photographer. Seconded Angie Burke. All in favour.

3.10 Kath Hardman and Karen Sykes workshop, 2011

Melbourne has confirmed their joint hosting of the visit by Kath Hardman and Karen Sykes in April 2011. Sydney is still considering the viability of hosting a mid-week workshop.

It was agreed that the workshop will be catered – options to approach re this were discussed and included Lions, CWA, Dayboro Bakery.

On the basis of current costings (and exchange rates), the price structure was agreed at : $200 for weekend, $100 day rate plus camping fees; registration fee includes morning tea, afternoon tea and lunch. Kath and Karen are also open to doing private classes – availability will depend on whether Sydney decides to do a mid week workshop.

We are now ready to prepare advertising for this event. It was agreed to do this through DWD networks rather than the *Dog World*, as this should reach the relevant people. A wider audience is not required as this is a DWD specialty workshop. This can include advertising through K9 Freestyle list, dogs online and email. The above proposal was moved by Debby Lamprecht, seconded Ann Bulke, all in favour.

Note camping costs will be approx $12 to $15 per night. Discussion was also held re the option of doing a cabaret Friday night, no charge – it was agreed this should proceed.

3.11 Incorporation

Debby Lamprecht has advised that the tracking club has incurred an application fee for incorporation of $120.45. Thereafter an annual fee of $42.20 to lodge the annual return is payable. The Club will need to submit the application to the CCC for approval before lodgement. This will now be set in train.

Moved Debby Lamprecht, seconded Trevor Telford; all in favour:

(a) That the Dances with Dogs Club, Queensland, seek incorporation as an association in Queensland under the

Associations Incorporation Act 1981;

(b) That the Club adopt the Canine Control standard constitution for incorporated associations;

(c) That the Club lodge an *Association Incorporation Form 1 – Application for Incorporation of an Association* and pay the prescribed fee (understood to be $120.45) and that the Secretary be appointed to lodge that application.

4 Treasurer's report

In reference to point 7, resignation of club treasurer, Debby Lamprecht has agreed to fill in as Treasurer as an interim measure. However, she has other commitments and cannot fulfil this role long term. Debby has agreed to undertake the role till the AGM if necessary but will not be able to continue in the role beyond this point. In the interim, if a person can be identified to fulfil the role of treasurer, Debby will be available to assist them.

As Debby is not often able to attend Club activities, any cheques or moneys are to go to Gay Westmore if Debby is unavailable. Members are requested to assist by complying with previous procedure which is to put any money or cheques in a labelled envelope – include the amount, what it is for, and who is it from.

5 Applications for membership

There were no new applications received. Applications for membership are now to be sent to Sharon at the club address. This will be changed on the form.

6 Correspondence – inwards and outwards

The following correspondence has been received/sent:
6/08/2010 Letter and receipt from Obedience Dog Club of Brisbane re $100 received from DWDCQ for hire of grounds for competition.
20/07/10 Letter from Daniel Rodger requesting he become a sanctioned photographer for DWDCQ – see 3.9 for details.
2/08/10 Tax invoice from APRA for licence – cheque has been sent for payment of $74.04
31/08/10 Letter from Dogs QLD approving proposed 2011 trial dates
Letter to Obedience Dog Club of Brisbane in support of their application for a council grand for work on the clubhouse roof – as a club who has used the grounds.
18/08/10 Email from Rob Harrison, Dogs QLD, re the grounds at Durack including financial and depreciation details.
3/09/10 Email to Dogs QLD requesting correction in Dogworld re Nov competition (error in date published)
3/09/10 email to Dogblog requesting notification be published re error in Dogworld re Nov competition (error in date published in Dogworld)
1/08/10 Letter to RSPCA Animal Training Centre with Cheque for hire of facilities (1/08/10)
18/07/10 Letter to RSPCA Animal Training Centre confirming details for booking of venue on 1/08/10 and 19/09/10
18/07/10 Letter to Rob Harrison, Dogs QLD, re proposed DWDCQ competition dates for 2011
Letter from Karen Moore resigning as Treasurer from DWDCQ – see point 7.
Check # 35 for $15 returned from CCC as already paid by Barb Murfett for room hire.

Ann reported she sent a letter to the CCC and Grafton regarding doing an article in relevant newsletter about the Grafton competition held at Camp Tailwaggers.

7 Resignation of Treasurer

Karen More has asked that her resignation from the position of Treasurer be accepted. Karen's letter of resignation read by Gay. A cash amount of $282 cash plus some cheques for the Poetry in Motion workshop have been lost. Karen has personally replaced the $282 cash. Those people whose cheques were lost have been asked to write another cheque – if they wish to cancel the original cheque then the amount of any bank fee is to be deducted and a cheque for the difference made out to the Club. It was discussed that this is a genuine loss and the Treasurer is not expected to make up these monies from her personal funds. Karen however stated strongly that she would not accept the money back from the club, and it was agreed to respect her wishes.

Karen Moore's resignation as DWDCQ Treasure was accepted with regret. Karen has been asked to remain as a committee member – moved by Angie Burke, seconded Robyn Kirkman. All in favour.

Treasurer: as per point 4, Debby Lamprecht will assist with transition. Debby Lamprecht is nominated as Treasurer and will remain until the AGM or another person is identified – nominated by Trevor Telford, seconded Ann Bulke, all in favour.

Action required: notify CCC of change of office bearer, arrange with bank to remove Karen as signatory and add Debby as signatory on the Club account.
The below statement was presented by Debby Lamprecht.

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

15th September 201

INCOME	As at 30th June 2010	Current Period	Year to Date
Membership	705.00	0.00	705.00
Donation	110.00	20.00	130.00
Raffle	577.00	78.00	670.00
Sale of Promotional Items	46.00	605.00	651.00
Competitions	1,035.00	290.00	1,325.00
Training Fees	440.00	147.00	587.00
Event Registration	2,460.00	0.00	2,460.00
Event Venue Hire	110.00	0.00	110.00
Bank Interest	7.90	0.00	7.90
Other Items	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	**5,505.90**	**1,140.00**	**6,645.90**
EXPENDITURE			
Affiliation Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
Promotional Items	1,301.35	0.00	1,301.35
Competitions	1,369.81	549.20	1,919.01
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advertising - other than competitions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Venue Hire - other than competitions	0.00	15.00	15.00
Events	1,060.00	0.00	1,060.00
Training Fees	40.00	0.00	40.00
Other Items	0.00	74.04	74.04
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	**3,771.16**	**638.24**	**4,409.40**
Net - Profit	**1,734.74**	**501.76**	**2,236.50**
Plus Opening Balance	**4,283.17**		**4,283.17**
Cash at Bank	**6,017.91**	**501.76**	**6,519.67**

Bank Reconciliation as at 15/9/2010	
Balance as per Bank Statement	6,534.67
LESS Unpresented Chq 000035	15.00
Cash at Bank	**6,519.67**

Debby Lamprecht moved that this report be accepted, seconded by Sharon Clark. All in favour

8 Donations

Vet Products Direct has undertaken to provide a raffle (to the value of $100) for the October competition.

Plush Puppy has provided a gift voucher valued at $50 for a raffle at a future event – it was agreed that this be raffled at the November competition.

9 Draft questionnaire for members

A draft questionnaire for circulation to members was discussed for relevant information to include. It was agreed that the survey is important and should go ahead. Gay will receive the completed questionnaires and collate the responses. Moved by Robyn Kirkman, seconded Ann Bulke. All in favour.

10 Draft Club protocols

In order to facilitate our operation, it is proposed that a set of Club protocols be established, so that all members are aware of appropriate procedures and who has responsibility for various actions. The protocols would be read in conjunction with, but be subordinate to, our Club constitution. It was agreed that this will be beneficial to ensure we are all on the same page re who has responsibility for what.

Gay also presented some protocols re crating and management of dogs at club events. It was discussed that some of the protocols such as distance required between crates, may not be feasible at some venues. Agreed action: the protocols can be adopted as a guide, and members would be notified where venue restrictions may limit the ability to comply with these. Coral raised the point that a practice adopted by some obedience clubs (including Toowoomba) is to put yellow tape on crates and yellow ribbon on dogs which the owner does not wish to be approached. This may be due to reactive issues, or may be due to handler wanting the dog to remain focused and not be distracted. The club has agreed to trialling this strategy and Gay and Deb have undertaken to purchase some yellow tape from Bunnings.

It was agreed that Gay further modify the draft protocols in light of discussion and that the document be circulated for further consideration at the next meeting.

11 Draft Guidelines for competitors

Ann Bulke kindly drafted guidelines for competitors. It was agreed that Gay further modify the draft protocols in light of discussion and that the document be circulated for further consideration at the next meeting.

12 Club banner

In 2009, Robyn Kirkman kindly prepared a banner/sign for display at the Brisbane Royal. This has been subject to some wear and tear, and it was agreed that options for acquiring a fabric banner for future use be investigated.

It was agreed that Robyn Kirkman would follow up with a contact through the school her children attend re where they obtained their banner, pricing etc.

13 Website

Eddie Kirkman has updated some areas of the website. In particular, a wider range of photos has been included – see http://www.danceswithdogsaustralia.com/queensland-picture-gallery.html

The point was raised that not many judges have sent in photos and their profiles. Sharon to contact the judges with this request.

It is noted that documents to be added to the website must first be endorsed by the club.

14 CCC *Dog World* news

Nil to report.

15 Other business

15.1 Collection of sponsor donations for competitions

Responsibility for collection of produce or other materials donated by sponsors for competitions and activities rests with the Club, not with the sponsor. In the case of DWDCQ, we have been very fortunate that VIP has been extraordinarily generous with the amount of product that it has donated as prizes for our competitions. This does however mean that there is a large volume of material to be transported to competition venues. While ideally one person would undertake the task of collecting the prizes and transporting them to the competition, in reality most competitors' vehicles are typically overloaded when travelling to competitions. The Committee considered a broad framework as follows:.

- The Club Secretary will advise the sponsor in writing regarding the dates of competitions (once the schedule of competition dates for the year has been finalised), and seek confirmation of their continued sponsorship of competitions.
- As part of the sponsorship arrangement, the Club will undertake, where feasible, to display banners and/or other signage of the sponsor at the event. Normally this would be two banners or other signs, and their display would be subject to the logistics of the venue and the capacity of the Club to arrange their transport (depending on size etc).
- A designated officer (appointed by the Committee) will liaise with the sponsor regarding the collection of donated products or other prizes, normally at least 2 weeks in advance of the competition date, to determine a mutually agreeable arrangement for such collection.
- Members will be asked to advise the designated officer if they are willing to be on a list to share the task of collection of prizes and their transportation to competition venues.
- The designated officer will liaise with members on that list regarding their availability to assist with this task for specific competitions.
- In the event that any problem arises in relation to fulfilment of this function, the designated officer will advise the President.

It was noted that this is not a major issue for the remaining 2 competitions scheduled for 2010: The 2 October competition is at the VIP grounds; therefore transport of sponsored prizes is not required. Gay has undertaken to transport prizes to the November competition at Redlands as she is not competing therefore has space in her vehicle. Sharon will send an email to club members seeking assistance with transport of sponsored prizes to competitions in 2011.

15.2 Photography at Club competitions

The issue of photography (still or video) at Club competitions was raised, including whether participants should be asked to give written permission to be videoed or photographed. Advice had been received that performances or other activities in a public venue were open to being photographed. It was however agreed that DWDCQ will continue with current stance which is that, out of courtesy, no video footage or photos will be published by the Club without permission.

15.3 Training competitions

Deferred until next meeting.

16. Next meeting

Possible date: Sunday 28 November. Gay to email re possible dates and confirm.

Upcoming Workshop

In 2011 DWDCQ is holding a 2 day workshop with top UK trainers Kath Hardman & Karen Sykes, more details about Kath & Karen, including info on how to register, are below

Registration form available at http://www.danceswithdogsaustralia.com/dwdcqregformapril11.html

Dates: 1 - 3 April 2011

Venue: Main Pavilion, Dayboro Showgrounds

Registration Fee: Full workshop – $200 Daily rate – $100
Registration fee includes the workshop, lunch, morning and afternoon teas on Saturday 2 April and Sunday 3 April. **Registration fee is payable by 25 February 2011.**

Top Handlers, Top Judges, Top Trainers.

Karen Sykes & Fly

Kath Hardman & Spice

Kath Hardman and Karen Sykes are known around the world as highly successful handlers in both Heelwork to Music and Freestyle. They are also respected international judges and have travelled around the world to hold their popular training seminars.

Success in Competition
Kath and Karen are the only handlers in the UK to have qualified their dogs to compete in both the Crufts Heelwork to Music and Freestyle Competitions every year since Crufts first recognised the sport. They have also been consistently within the top 10 handlers in the UK for over a decade.

Karen Sykes
2008 winner of Crufts Heelwork To Music Competition with her working sheepdog 'Fly'
Kath Hardman
2007 Joint winner of the Crufts Heelwork To Music Competition with her working sheepdog 'Ginnie'
2008 winner of Crufts British Freestyle Competition with her crossbreed 'Spice'
2008 winner of Crufts International Freestyle Competition with her crossbreed 'Spice'
2010 winner of the FCI Heelwork to Music Championships at the World Show in Denmark with her Border Collie 'Amber'

International Judges
Both Kath and Karen have judged in Japan, USA, Switzerland, The Czech Republic and Denmark. They were individually honoured to accept invitations to be 'Head Judge' at the Scandinavian Heelwork to Music Championships and the World Heelwork to Music Championships in 2009 and 2010 respectively.

International Trainers
Renowned for their excellent training seminars both at home and abroad, Kath and Karen have taught in Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Japan, USA, Israel and The Czech Republic. Seminars are being planned for Russia and France in 2010 and Australia, Sweden and France in 2011.

Their combined experience and teaching skills enable them to cover every aspect of training for heelwork to music and freestyle from choosing music, motivating a reluctant dog, calming an over-excitable dog, teaching individual moves and choreographing a routine, to improving performance in the ring. Their relaxed style and sense of humour ensures that their seminars are fun as well as informative.

Learn more about Kath and Karen by visiting their website www.dancingdogs.co.uk

Upcoming Events

DANCES WITH DOGS COMPETITION
DANCES WITH DOGS CLUB, QUEENSLAND
Redlands Dog Obedience Cub grounds,
Judy Holt Park, Bailey Road, Birkdale

Date:	Saturday, 20 November 2010
Time:	Judging commences **6.30** pm
Vetting:	5.30 pm to 6.15 pm
Music Check:	5.30 pm to 6.15 pm
Judges:	Barbara Murfet, Wendy Russell, Gay Westmore
Entry Fee:	$10 per entry, $5 for Rookie. Cheques to be made payable to Dances with Dogs Club, Qld.
Entry Form:	Entries to be submitted on the DWD Entry Form (Rules and entry forms available from the ANKC website)
Entries close:	5 November 2010
Entries to:	Trial Secretary, PO Box 593, Coolangatta 4225.
Enquiries:	Ann Bulke; email : annswitch@bigpond.com Phone: 07 55 907 804
Classes:	Dances with Dogs Freestyle – Starters, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced Dances with Dogs Heelwork to Music – Starters, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced Note: A dog may only be entered in one class in each division
Venue:	The competition will be conducted outdoors, on grass. The ring area will be approximately 12 m x 15 m. Judges will be located on one of the long sides.
Other:	Freestyle Division will precede Heelwork to Music Division. Competitors are asked to have only the selected piece of music on one disc, if possible. It can include multiple copies of the one track but should preferably not include tracks other than the one to be used for the routine. There is ample parking on the grounds, close to the ring. There are toilets/change facilities on the grounds. Limited catering will be available. VIP Pet Foods generously sponsors all DWD Club of Queensland DWD competitions.

Upcoming Events Cont'd

Event	Venue	Details
Judges Training	Pine Rivers Dog Obedience Club Rob Akers Reserve Bells Pocket Rd Strathpine QLD 4500	Sunday 24th October 10am
DWDCQ Meeting	Pine Rivers Dog Obedience Club Rob Akers Reserve Bells Pocket Rd Strathpine QLD 4500	Sunday 24th October 2pm
DWDCQ Trial	Redlands Dog Obedience Cub, Judy Holt Park, Bailey Road, Birkdale	Saturday 20th November 6.30pm
Move Your Feet To The Beat Seminar	TBA	Saturday 22nd January, 2011 Time TBA

Trial Results

Grafton Dog Obedience Club
11th & 12th September, Camp Tailwaggers

SATURDAY 11th September
Judges - Barry Vickers,Val Bonney, Debby Lamprecht

FREESTYLE STARTERS -
1st - Gaye & Ryan (Golden Ret.) - 166
"Sunshine, Lollipops & Rainbows"
2nd - Maree & Mozart (Border Collie) - 163
"Best Years of our Lives"
3rd - Ros & Cobber (Labrador) - 153
"76 Trombones"
4th - Rachael & Schatzi (White Shepherd) - 150
"On a Mission"
5th - Gina & Cruze (Coolie) - 149.5
"The Muppet Show"
6th - Mandy & Ruby (Kelpie) - 146.5
"Man from Snowy River"
7th - Lynn & Pippa (Poodle) 133
"Sleepy Joe"

FREESTYLE NOVICE
1st - Brittney & Aria (Jack Russell) – 145
"The Wizard of Oz"
2nd - Gay & Piper (Golden Ret.) - 140
"The Lion Sleeps Tonight"
3rd - Nicky & Ebony (Cavalier) - 138
"Y.M.C.A."

SUNDAY 12th September
Judges - Barry Vickers, Ann Bulke, Debby Lamprecht

FREESTYLE STARTERS -
1st - Maree & Mozart (Border Collie) - 169
"Best Years of our Lives"
2nd - Gaye & Ryan (Golden Ret.) - 166
"Sunshine, Lollipops & Rainbows"
3rd - Gina & Cruze (Coolie) - 158.5
"The Muppet Show"
4th - Mandy & Ruby (Kelpie) - 154
"Man from Snowy River" - TITLE
5th - Rachael & Schatzi (White Shepherd) 153
"On a Mission"
6th - Cathy & Harrison (Std. Poodle) - 140
"Ain't that a Kick in the Head"
7th - Michele & Shala (Rhodesian Ridgeback) 138 "Cunnamulla Fella"
8th - Lynn & Pippa (Poodle) 137 "Sleepy Joe"

FREESTYLE NOVICE
1st - Brittney & Aria (Jack Russell) - 163
"The Wizard of Oz"
2nd - Pam & Ingot (Golden Ret.) - 148
"These Boots are made for Walking"
3rd - Nicky & Ebony (Cavalier) - 143
"Y.M.C.A."
4th - Margaret & Takira (Border Collie) - 134
"Don't Fence Me In"

FREESTYLE INTERMEDIATE
1st - Karen & Zoya (Malinois) – 154
"One Singular Sensation"
2nd - Maree & Raastus (Border Collie) – 151.5
"Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines"

FREESTYLE ADVANCED
1st - Angie & Inka (Malinois) - 164
"Ghostbusters"
2nd - Ros & Banjo (Labrador) - 149
"Radetsky March"

HTM STARTERS
1st - Gay & Tally (Kelpie) - 155.5
"Getting to Know You"
2nd - Val & Whizz (Border Collie) - 147
"Popcorn" - TITLE
3rd - Val & Cody (Border Collie) - 142.5
"Dancing in the Street"
4th - Jo & Zorba (German Shepherd) - 136
"Waltzing Matilda"

HTM NOVICE
1st - Maree & Raastus (Border Collie) - 162
"Glen Miller Medley"
2nd - Maree & Mozart - (Border Collie) - 154
"If My Friends Could See Me Now"
3rd - Margaret & Takira (Border Collie) - 154
"San Antonia Rose"
4th - Tabitha & Flame (Golden Ret.) - 146.5
"Cry Me A River"
5th - Gay & Piper (Golden Ret.) - 139
"Whistle a Happy Tune"

HTM INTERMEDIATE
1st - Maree & Mutley (Border Collie) - 167
"Black & White"
2nd - Jo & Kruger (German Shepherd) - 164
"Phantom of the Opera"
3rd - Ros & Banjo (Labrador) - 145

HTM ADVANCED
1st - Angie & Inka (Malinois) - 175
"Salamanca"
2nd - Gay & Gemma (Golden Ret.) - 169
"Proud"

FREESTYLE INTERMEDIATE
1st - Maree & Raastus (Border Collie) - 168
"Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines"
2nd - Karen & Zoya (Malinois) - 165
"One Singular Sensation"

FREESTYLE ADVANCED
1st - Angie & Inka (Malinois) - 174
"Ghostbusters"

HTM STARTERS
1st - Val & Whizz (Border Collie) - 158
"Popcorn"
2nd - Jo & Zorba (German Shepherd) - 155.5
"Waltzing Matilda"
3rd - Val & Cody (Border Collie) - 151
"Dancing in the Street"
4th - Gay & Tally (Kelpie) - 144
"Getting to Know You"

HTM NOVICE
1st - Maree & Mozart - (Border Collie) - 159
"If My Friends could see Me Now"
2nd - Margaret & Takira (Border Collie) - 159
"San Antonia Rose"
3rd - Tabitha & Flame (Golden Ret.) -151
"Cry Me A River"
4th - Maree & Raastus (Border Collie) - 149
"Glen Miller Medley"
5th - Gay & Piper (Golden Ret.) - 139
"Whistle a Happy Tune"

HTM INTERMEDIATE
1st - Maree & Mutley (Border Collie) - 164
"Black & White"

DWD at the Brisbane Ekka

October is upon us and it seems like an age since the excitement and stress of the Ekka, but here, rather belatedly, is a report on the three days of DWD competition at this year's Royal Queensland Show.

As with last year, the competition was spread across three days and was held in the Douglas Wadley pavilion after the day's conformation judging was over.

The first day of competiton was the Friday and the handlers, helpers and dogs all gathered in Syme Street to be let in at lunchtime. Then it was through to the section of benches that had been put aside for us and the waiting began. The conformation showing was on in both rings and there was a steady stream of enthusiasts filing through. As usual, the props and bling drew people in for a closer look, after which dogs were patted, props and costumes were examined with interest and handlers hid their nerves and answered the questions of the public. We also got the chance to hand out a number of flyers for the club, which over the three days generated a bit of feedback via the website.

Finally the showing was over, the ring was set up and the competition began. The only entrant for the Starters Freestyle class was absent, so the afternoon kicked off with the six entants for Intermediate Freestyle. The pavilion had filled up with an eager crowd - many of whom had come in specifically for the "dancing dogs" - so we were fortunate that everything was running to schedule and it started pretty well on time.

Maree Field, Trevor Telford and Jo Meredith were the judges and were treated to six entertaining routines. Full results are below, but the class was won by Angie Burke and her Malinois "Inka" performing to the Ghostbusters theme, complete with a bed, giant phone, ambulance and large bucket of slime. This one was also a real crowd pleaser.

Second place went to Karen Moore and her Malinois "Zoya", performing to "One Singular Sensation". As always, Karen was very elegant and Zoya was working beautifully (and not quite as manic as usual).

They were closely followed into third place by Gay Westmore and her Golden Retriever "Gemma", dancing some nice controlled moves to to "Begin the Beguine".

Of the other routines, Sharon Clark's "Eye of the Tiger" routine with her Border Collie "Casey" came in fourth and her slightly more laid back routine to "Dove L'Amore" with Border Collie "Cian" was fifth.

The following Tuesday it was the turn of HTM, with the Starters and Novice classes being held. A couple of earlier incidents in the show ring had caused some delays, so unfortunately the competition did not get under way until almost 4.30, but there was still a reasonable crowd in to watch. Barbara Murfet, Angie Burke and Gay Westmore took their places on the judges table, giving first place in HTM Starters to Maree Field with her Border Collie "Mozart" (moving to “If They Could See Me Now”) and second to Tabitha Young and her Malinois "Ruby", performing to “Blue Monday”.

Tabitha was also the only competitor in Novice, with her Golden Retriever "Flame" and a routine to “Cry Me a River”.

The final day of the DWD competition was on the last Friday of the show and first of all it was back to Freestyle. By this time in the week the show ring floor was a smorgasbord of interesting smells - with one particularly troublesome spot, smack bang in the middle of the arena, that proved to be just a bit too distracting for several of the dogs.

For the final day the judges were Val Bonney, Ann Bulke and Maree Rablin and in spite of the distractions they still had some fantastic routines to judge.

Freestyle Novice was won by Brittney Young and her Jack Russell "Aria" doing a lovely routine to “the Wizard of Oz”. Brittney started off dressed like Dorothy, complete with checked skirt and shiny red shoes, but halfway through the routine there was a change in the music and the skirt was discarded to reveal glittery hot pants.

DWD at the Brisbane Ekka (Continued)

In the advanced class, first place was taken out by Maree Field and her Border Collie "Mutley", dancing to "All That Jazz". Those who were watching closely would have seen Maree (well, more precisely, Mutley) manage to snap her cane in half about 20 seconds into the routine, but she simply folded the two sections together and carried on as if nothing had happened. A close second place went to Ros Smith with her Labrador "Banjo" and their routine to "Radetzky March".

The final class of the three days was the Intermediate HTM, with four very different routines managing to get qualifying scores. Angie Burke and her Malinois "Inka" performed a very dramatic Spanish dance to "Salamanca" to take out first place – quite a contrast to the second place routine from Gay Westmore and Golden Retriever "Gemma", with their beautiful and gentle interpretation of "Love Lifted Me" (which they were also invited to perform before the Best In Show was awarded). Third place went to Karen Moore and her Malinois "Zoya", performing to "Short Skirt, Long Jacket" and Jo Meredith and her German Shepherd "Kruger" came fourth with a very theatrical performance to "Phantom of the Opera" (complete with long cape and mask).

As with previous years, the crowd were most supportive throughout the whole competition, with many of them staying on for the presentations each day.

The whole event ran very smoothly, so a huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard behind the scenes to make that happen - especially Coral Pethers who organised the competition for the RNA and the pool of judges and stewards who between them covered off the various jobs for the three days. Thanks also to the event sponsors who provided the prizes and trophies (the RNA, the Toowoomba Dog Obedience Club, Annswitch Canines and Advance dog foods).

But the biggest cheer of all must be for the competitors who put themselves out there in a very challenging environment and provided some fantastic and entertaining routines, many of which I am hoping to be able to put up on Youtube soon.

Results (qualifiers)

Freestyle Novice
Brittney Young and "Aria" (Jack Russell) – 143

Freestyle Intermediate
Angie Burke and "Inka" (Bel Shep Mal) - 171.5
Karen Moore and "Zoya" (Bel Shep Mal) - 166.5
Gay Westmore and "Gemma" (Gold Ret) - 164
Sharon Clark and "Casey" (Border Collie) - 155.5
Sharon Clark and "Cian" (Border Collie)- 149.5

Freestyle Advanced
Maree Field and "Mutley" (Border Collie) - 155.5
Ros Smith and "Banjo" (Labrador) - 153

Heelwork to Music Starter
Maree Field and "Mozart" (Border Collie) - 172
Tabitha Young and "Ruby" (Bel Shep Mal) – 135

Heelwork to Music Novice
Tabitha Young and "Flame" (Gold Ret) – 157.5

Heelwork to Music Intermediate
Angie Burke and "Inka" (Bel Shep Mal) - 161.5
Gay Westmore and "Gemma" (Golden Retriever) 154.5
Karen Moore and "Zoya" (Bel Shep Mal) - 145
Jo Meredith and "Kruger" (German Shepherd Dog) - 140.5

Angie & Inka

Brittney & Aria

Cathy & Levi

Gay & Gemma

Ros & Banjo

Jo & Kruger

Angie & Inka

Sharon & Cian

Karen & Zoya

Cryptic Crossword - Answers

		F					E		T	W	I	S	T	I	N	G
T	W	O		S	T	A	Y			E						
		C			A		E		A	S	S	E	S	S		B
C	R	U	F	T	S		S			T				H		A
H		S						P		M			P	A	I	R
O								R		O		G		D		R
R				A	P	P	R	O	P	R	I	A	T	E	L	Y
E	K	K	A					C		E		Y				V
O								E								I
G				R		A		D					C	H	I	C
R	I	C	H	A	R	D	C	U	R	T	I	S				K
A		O		Y		V		R								E
P	A	R	K			A		E						E		R
H		A				N			J		W	O	L	V	E	S
Y		L	Y	R	I	C	S		U		A			E		
						E			M	A	R	Y		N	E	W
D	O	G	S	B	O	D	Y		P					T		

Trial Results

Dances with Dogs Club, Queensland
2nd October, VIP Petfoods

FREESTYLE STARTERS -
1st - Debby Lamprecht - Tealpoint On The Ball (GSP)
"Pretty Woman" - 167.5
2nd - Catherine Freeman - Leafield Winston (Gold Ret)
"Voulez Vouz" - 153.5
3rd - Eddie Kirkman - Marbryc Ebony (Shepherd)
"You've Got a Friend" - 127

FREESTYLE NOVICE -
1st - Maree Field - Rowesdale Mozartmusicman (B/Collie)
"Best Years of our Lives" - 145.4
2nd - Joan Philp - Java (Shepherd)
"The German Shepherd Song" - 139
3rd - Ros Smith - Labridge Copy Write (Labrador)
"76 Trombones" - 135.9

FREESTYLE INTERMEDIATE -
1st - Robyn Kirkman - Jarrah (Kelpie X)
"Lady Marmalade" - 153.5
2nd - Cheryl Pearce - Skipson Mister Reprize (Dachshund)
"Thank You for Being a Friend" - 149

FREESTYLE ADVANCED -
1st - Angie Burke - Nordenstamm Inka (Malinois)
"Ghostbusters" - 162.5 TITLE
2nd - Maree Field - Mutley (B/Collie)
"All That Jazz" - 161

HTM STARTERS -
1st - Catherine Freeman - Leafield Winston (Gold Ret)
"Standing on the Corner" - 137

HTM NOVICE -
1st - Sharon Clark - Borderland Murphy (B/Collie)
"Fly Me To the Moon" - 147.5
2nd - Gay Westmore - Buffalo Rustic Scotsman (Gold Ret)
"Whistle a Happy Tune" - 145.4
3rd - Maree Field - Rowesdale Mozartmusicman (B/Collie)
"If My Friends Could See Me Now" - 135.5 TITLE

HTM ADVANCED -
1st - Maree Field - Mutley (B/Collie)
"Black or White" - 151.5
2nd - Gay Westmore - Buffalo Rustic Memories (Gold Ret)
"Proud" - 136.

MEMBER PROFILE

This month's Member Profile is **Cathy Fuller**

Name - CATHY FULLER

Dog's names & breeds? Levi & Harrison - Standard Poodles

Previous dog sports participated in? None

How did you get involved in DwD? Swept along with the momentum, although I attended DWD style classes with my 12-year-old dog in 2000.

What's your favourite type of music? Anything that easy to move to, no particular style.

What do you love most about DwD? The fun the dogs can have with it.

What would you have liked to achieve by this time next year? To have Levi complete a routine, and have Harrison in the Advanced division.

What's you ultimate goal in DwD? To have Levi doing an awesome routine.