

President Report:

We have spent most of 2022 trying to catch up for lost time over the covid years and I think mission accomplished.

January 2022 we ran a Twilight Trial & in all K9 style we thought outside the box, and brought something new with 2 international judges Dave Munnings & Neil Ellis on board to provide us courses & judged by our very own Victorian Judges Megan Smith & Geoff Taylor. These courses were eye openers, they were open, flowing and with next to no training everyone did an amazing job. The vibe was pumping, even attracting interstate competitors.

March we then continued that vibe and awesomeness with our very own Stephen Pearson judging Zeljko Gora's Agility courses. Those courses were on point! Just so much fun. We also had new judge Caroline Bentley judge her very first appointment, fresh from her judge's test with some amazing courses, she was also super encouraging, reminding us all to have fun with our dogs, embrace NFC and enjoy the ride.

June & July we didn't let winter bring us down, we moved training inside with some tricks training in June thanks to Sarah, Amanda & Nikki. On 24th July our club ran its very first and very successful Trick Test with over 60 titles achieved that day, it's safe to say everyone had a blast. Huge thanks to Nikki for not only suggesting the idea but also running it and being our trial secretary.

August thanks to Laura's suggestion we ran indoor contact training & we added Little Nippers for all the new babies club started to gather.

While we were all training hard with contacts, Kris & Darren were working tirelessly to get our trailer completed. These 2 worked long hours in the nights after work on weekends, in the cold & managed to have it finishing just in time for September training to kick off, which thanks to the flooding rain we didn't get a lot of chances to train & how magical is that draw for the dog walks? 😊 Thanks to Geraldine for giving up her Garage for a few weeks.

During Aug -Oct we welcomed 6 new members- Tracey T (more welcomed back), Caroline B, Kylie B, Louisa F, Emily M & Lucy L to our club.

November was a buzz- Jan twilight, March double, July Tricks all wasn't enough, we still had November double trial to run. Which was another raving success. Because it wouldn't be K9 without trying something new, this time it was Dash for Cash, gathering Information from Darren in NSW, we thought we would give it a go... Fun, Speed, Cash, and laughter was the aim of the game.... Our very own Darren Wallace Nailed it! He designed & judged the event, and we can all agree it was SUCH A FUN

course. Yes my very own Mr Plug being the winner (what can I say?).... Then we had Veterans where we cheered and celebrated our amazing, retired dogs who are still looking fabulous out there. It was just so heart-warming to see them show us all they still got it!!! We also introduced our longer bars to our trial with 7 all up and these were used throughout the course, we got a lot of comments about how people loved and noted the difference.

Top Dog- While the rains postponed State Trial – Top Dog went ahead with K9 members doing extremely well. It was K9 11th year sponsoring the event alongside Action Dogs

Our Top Dog Winners-

600 Top Dog Agility Trish & Trigger with the fastest clear round across all heights

Michelle with both her dogs Squeak & Tuppence winning both
400 & 200 Top Dog Agility & Jumping

500 Top Dog Jumping Katie & Mr Plug with the fastest clear round across all heights

State Champion winners

600 Trish & Trigger

500 Rosaline & Izzy

200 Michelle & Tuppence

With a special mention to Greg & Rum, Rosaline & Izzy who are both now retired after a smashing career in the sport.

Club gained 3 new Agility Champion this year- 500 Alois Martha with Chole, 300 Tegan with Pip & 600 Trish with Trigger

I wanted to give a big shout out to our towers this year- Sharon, Darren, Cassie, Alois helping me- there literally would not be club without these few people and it's a big commitment- The entire club relies on these few people to put their hand up, show up on time & stay to the end. Sally was also a big help getting people to come to the shed to help.

We refreshed K9 Logo and have a new range of merchandise coming soon.

As Gift for all our hard work we purchased a new set of numbers coming soon, a replacement 5m Speedtrax tunnel (to replace the Sure Grip) & we also brought a new 3meter tunnel. Short but mighty.... This can be used as a straight tunnel only.

So there you have it an extremely busy, successful & amazing year at K9 that couldn't have happened so well if it wasn't for the combined effort of Club members and my simply amazing team on committee who are just incredible humans. Thank you everyone

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