



# Blacktown BARK

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***Congratulations to Kim Lindsay & Likabullet  
Together, on & January 2012 they won the first Australian  
Rally-O Competition with 100/100  
See inside for the Rallyo Roundup***

# President's Report

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year. I hope you all have a great 2012.

I would like to welcome the new members for January and February and I hope you stay with us will be a memorable one. This year sees us with plenty of challenges, organising our Championship All Breeds Show in March and our two Obedience Trials in June & September. This year we will be seeking permission to hold a Rally O Trial as well. More on that later.

I must thank Lyn Mansfield for all her hard work in organising the Championship Show

I would like to congratulate Kim Lindsay for being the first person to attain 100 out of 100 at the Manly Dog Club's Rally O Trial held on the 7th January, 2012. Other members to attain great passes were Ngaire Chant, Paul Li, Trudy Dive and Rita Thompson and Bec Pandelis. A big congratulations to all those members.

Your Chief Instructor, Jan Baker is looking for members who might be interested in becoming an instructor at this great Club. So if you are interested, please see me or Jan Baker on the grounds on Tuesday nights.

We will also be setting up Rally O Obedience training on Wednesday nights for those members wishing to participate in Rally Obedience.

Looking forward to seeing everyone back at training on Tuesday, 31st January, 2012.

Regards,  
Ron Probert

## Important Dates for 2012

31st January	Training resumes
1st February	General Meeting
7th February	New members night
6th March	New members night
7th March	Committee Meeting
<b>10th &amp; 11th March</b>	<b>All Breeds Championship Show</b>
3rd April	New members night
4th April	General Meeting
1st May	NO new members accepted on this night
2nd May	Committee Meeting
5th June	New members night
6th June	General Meeting
<b>24th June</b>	<b>Obedience Trial</b>
3rd July	New members night
4th July	Committee Meeting
1st August	General Meeting
7th August	New members night
4th September	New members night
5th September	Annual General Meeting
<b>22nd September</b>	<b>Obedience Trial</b>
2nd October	New members night
3rd October	General Meeting
6th November	New members night
7th November	Committee meeting
4th December	NO new members accepted on this night





So who has mastered the sit and heel??



## Training Ground Rules Tuesday night

- ✓ Please ensure you have a suitable collar and lead for your dog when attending training. There have been some incidents of dogs slipping their collars or simply snapping their leads. If you have any questions talk to your Instructor. They are there to help you.
- ✓ Dogs **MUST** be kept on a lead at **ALL TIMES** unless your Instructor instructs otherwise.  
This is for your safety, as well as others.
- ✓ Please clean up after your dog. Keep one or two doggy bags in your pocket just in case.  
Doggy bags can be obtained at the canteen.
- ✓ Keep the equipment clean - make sure your dog does not urinate on the witches hats used for class assembly at training.
- ✓ Bitches in Season are **NOT** allowed on the grounds.  
Please leave the girls at home for the duration of the season as it upsets the male dogs.





# Promotions



## Bone Award



November/December's Bone Award will be drawn on our first night back at training 1 February, and then the following week we will be drawing the bone award for January.

### WHITE TO ORANGE

13/12 Nada & Narko & "Medo"  
13/12 Roger & "Max"  
13/12 Logan & Robyn & "Sebastian"  
13/12 Nicole & "Boondi"  
13/12 Jayra & "Yuki"

### ORANGE TO GREEN

13/12 Pamela & "Merlin"  
13/12 Jannie & "Shansin"  
13/12 Jessica & "Bear"

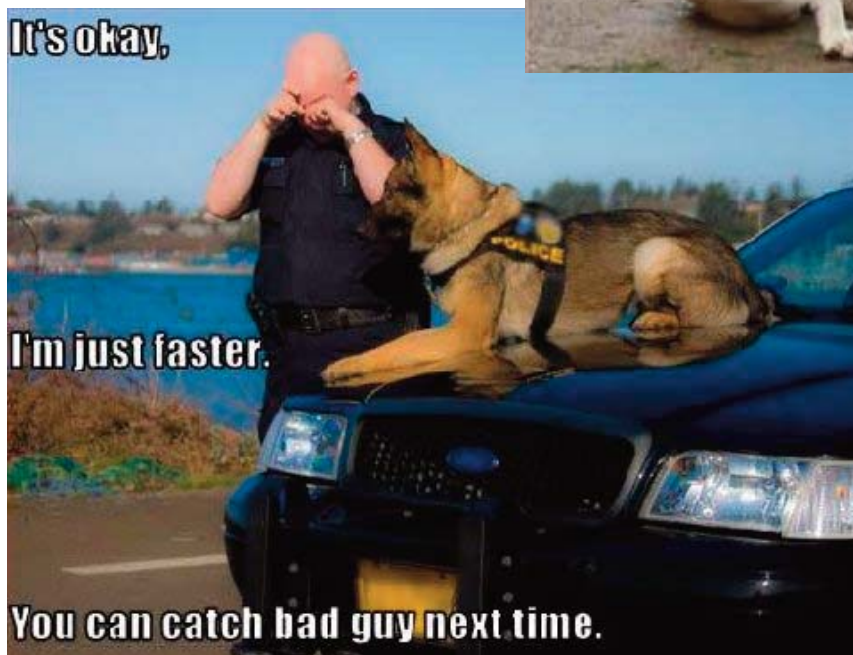
### GREEN TO BLUE

13/12 Michael & "Diesel"

### BLUE TO YELLOW

### YELLOW TO RED

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Dogs ...  
They make a  
difference



**DOGSNSW**  
Promoting Responsible Dog Ownership



**Are you interested in having a go at trialling in RallyO or traditional Obedience?  
Maybe you are interested in Agility?**

**In order to compete in any DOGS NSW** or Competition, you must first become a member of DogsNSW. Then you can participate in activities like conformation, obedience, agility, herding, retrieving, and much more.

You receive 12 free monthly editions of Dogs NSW magazine each year, which informs owners about how to care for their canine friends. It also keeps members informed about the latest news from DOGS NSW.

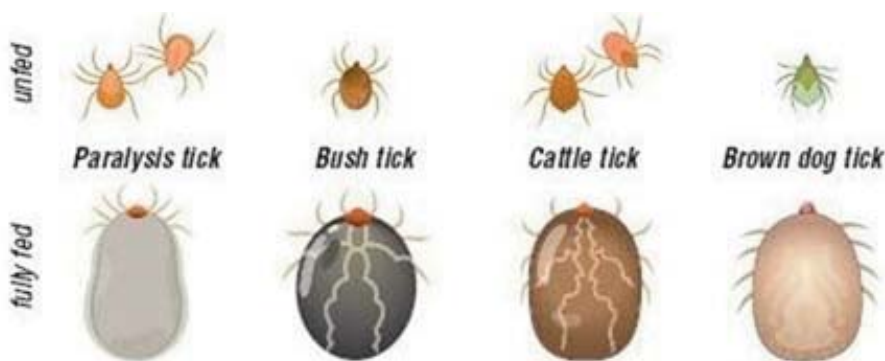
You can enjoy fantastic savings via membership discounts on DOGS NSW facilities hire for your special event, dog merchandise, books and sponsors' discounts and you benefit from advice about local government and dog management matters.

DOGS NSW acts as an advocate, regarding Local Government dog management matters. It responds to Government and regulatory dog issues.

Want to know more or join? Visit [www.dogsw.org.au](http://www.dogsw.org.au) or call their Member Services team on (02) 9834 3022 or 1300 728 022.

You can join online or by fax/post: Just download the membership form, print out, fill in, and send back to the address/fax on the form.

## TICK ALERT



Even 'cool' dogs can get ticks.

Paralysis ticks harm thousands of dogs in Australia each year and can cause death. Ticks can also cause anaemia, skin damage, irritation and allergic reactions. It's tick season, so here is a good way to get them off you, your children, or your pets.

This method works in those places where it's sometimes difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a head full of dark hair, etc.

Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and swab it for a few seconds (15-20), the tick will come out on its own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away.





# The First Australian RallyO Trial

Congratulations to Ron Probert. Along with (left to right) Dianne Hollett, Vicki Ethertington OAM, (Ron) and Darryl Turley they were the first Judges selected to Judge at an Australian RallyO trial.



Kim Lindsay and Bullet - Winners of the First Trial conducted by Manly Club with Bobby and Ngaire Chant (well, her hand at least) who also gained their first pass.



Pec Pandelis with Boxcrest Play it Wild 'n' Cool receiving their first RallyO Pass. She also passed with her 3 other dogs, while the pup dreams of when he can start trialling.





# Trial Results

CCD Title gained  
Shanoss Fire and Ice  
Call name "Icy"  
Border Collie  
Owned by Bev Schlyder

13 August 2011 - The Working  
Dog Club  
Judge Ron Probert  
2nd Place 96 points

12 November 2011 - Macquarie  
Towns Trial  
Judge Linda Dibbin  
94 points

3 December 2011 - Wollondilly  
Trial  
Judge Mrs S Field  
2nd Place 95 points



## 3 Rally O Competitions + 3 passes + 3 dogs = 3 Titles



Manly 7th Jan  
Sally 95, Pixie 92, Bella 95, Judge Di Hollett  
ACTCA 19th Jan  
Sally 95, Pixie 92, Bella 95, Judge Elaine Temby  
ACTCA 24th Jan  
Sally 95, Pixie 96, Bella 95, Judge Charlie Giles

Congratulations Rita Thompson!  
She is one of 3 NSW people who now have their RallyO  
Title.

(I'm writing this on 28 January - tonight is the Castle Hill  
RallyO Trial. Fingers crossed that by the time you read this  
Paul Li will also have his title. Editor)

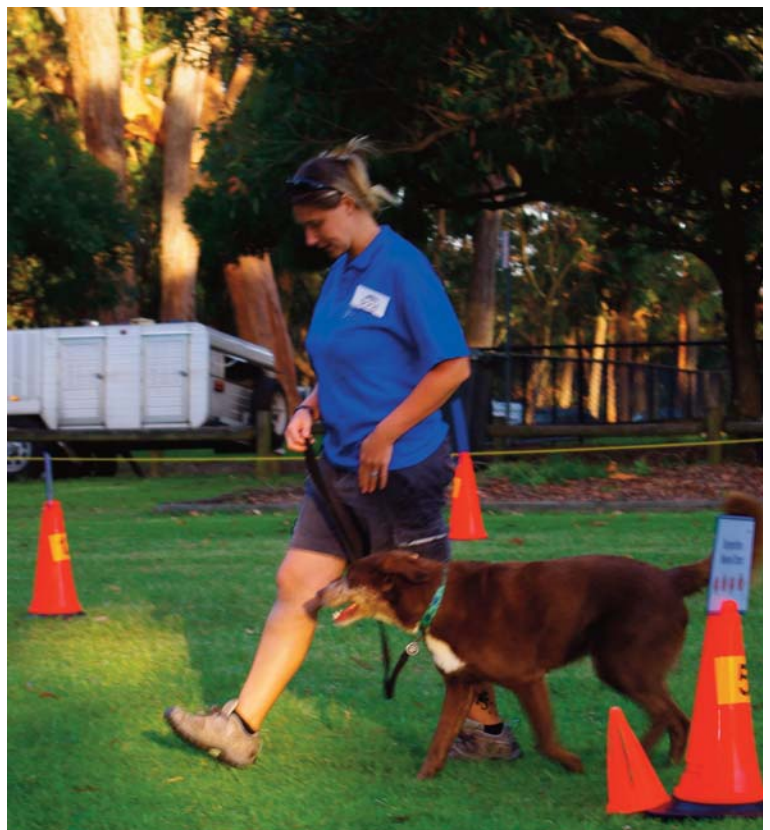
## RallyO

Rally Obedience aims to demonstrate a dog's usefulness as a companion and not merely their ability to follow specified routines in the ring.

RallyO is a fast-moving and motivational sport for both Handler and dog that demonstrates a Handler and dog's competency in basic Obedience exercises without requiring exact precision for success.

Dogs in Rally events should demonstrate willingness and enjoyment. To that end, handlers may use praise, encouragement and patting throughout their performance.

Navigating a RallyO course enables handlers to focus on working as a team with their dogs which quickly and easily starts to improve their working relationship.



# 2011-2012 OFFICE BEARERS & COMMITTEE

<b>Club Officials</b>	President	Ron Probert	9622 1783
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<b>Club Patrons</b>			
<b>Life Members</b>	Clr. R. Dickens, G. Petra, S. Rose, Ron Probert, Jan Probert, Ian Olsen, Peter Guenther		



Got any thoughts about how we can make our Club better?

Drop a note in the box at the Canteen or tell the guys there what you think! All suggestions are welcome! (well ... almost all)



## Canteen service for you & your dog

A Canteen service is available on Tuesday nights at training. We offer everything from a hot cuppa to chips, lollies and drinks.

There are even treats for your dogs. We also sell leads and Collars. Check chains & soft collars. Come and meet the Team, there is Jan, Ian and Fionaa. They are friendly and helpful and will help you with anything you would like to buy. Also any Information you want to know. So before or after training come and say hello.

The Club's postal address is  
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The due date for material for the next edition of the Bark is  
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Send your contributions to the Editor or hand it in to Jan, Ian or Fiona at the canteen on training nights.

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