

# Howler



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February 2019

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A copy of the ratified minutes (of all meetings) are available to all members on request at the office on training days.



The mission of Hills Dog Club Inc. is to enhance the human-dog relationship through training, education and the promotion of good breeding practices within our community.

### Important Dates.

#### General meetings: 2019:

13 Feb, - - - 13 Mar, - - 10 Apr,  
8 May, - - - 12 Jun, - - 10 Jul,  
14 Aug, - - - 11 Sep, - - - 9 Oct,  
13 Nov, - - - 11 Dec.

#### 40th Birthday Celebrations

4th & 5th March - normal training times

#### AGM and Award Presentation

3rd April - Showgrounds Club House

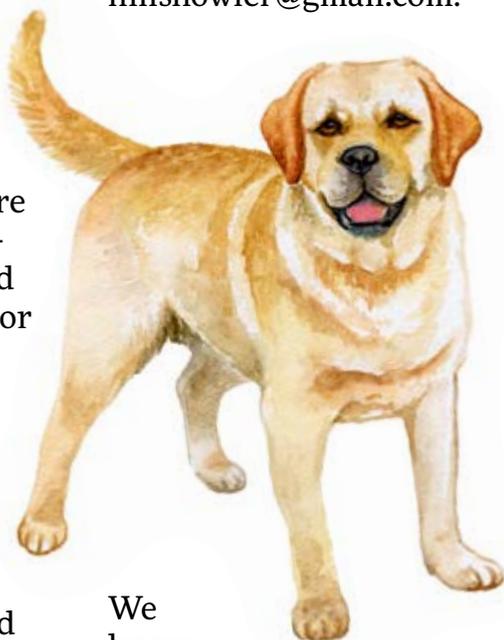
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## EDITORS NOTE.

Hulloooo and welcome to the first Howler for 2019! An especial welcome to those new to our club. The Howler is here to tell you about club events, doggy news (not the pee-mail kind), to celebrate your achievements, offer training tips and most importantly, to give you something pretty to stick on your fridge! It's also your space to share your doggy experiences – what's worked for you and what hasn't, what recipes or products you've enjoyed, what you've achieved with your dog, how fluffy your new puppy is... you get the idea.

Our big focus this year is on getting YOU involved - so we're happy to announce a new regular segment: Dog Day Out page 8. We'll be checking out parks, walks and beaches all over Sydney and looking to share reviews from you, our members, on whether they get your paws up or tails down. Can you tell



We know you'll be busy getting back into class and doing lots of practice at home. But meanwhile, check out Beginners instructor Rachel's tips for getting the most out of your time at club (page 3), Puppies instructor Narelle's

us about a walk? Hop onto our Facebook or send us a howl at hillshowler@gmail.com!

## PROMOTIONS - DECEMBER 2018

### Beginners to Graduate

👉 Jaclyn with Ellie the Poodle X

advice on leaving your pet alone at home (page 3) or maybe check out the book I reviewed (page 7) for a fun read.

Happy training!

Ellen  
Editor

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P.S. Notice anything different about our howling dog? This year is our club's 40th anniversary! We'll have an extra-special commemorative issue next month, so keep your eyes peeled.





## STARTING DOG TRAINING WITH YOUR PUPPY OR YOUNG DOG

by Rachel Lawler

Taking your new family member to dog training classes for the first time can be an overwhelming experience, but it doesn't have to be! There are a few things that you can do to be prepared and ready to take on all that dog training classes and its environment can throw at you.

### 1. Load up that treat pouch

When we are asking our new puppy or dog to focus for an hour in a class, we need to make it worthwhile for them. Dog training class should be the time when the best treats come out, whether it is bbq chicken, sausage, cabanossi or cheese. Bring out the food that makes them want to jump through hoops to get it!

### 2. Reward generously

For most puppies and young dogs coming to our classes, it is the first time they have been around this many people and dogs. Make sure you take that into consideration and reward

generously for positive behaviour.

### 3. Give your dog plenty of room from other dogs in class

Not all dogs are comfortable with being close to other dogs, especially when they are on lead. When you are in class, make sure you give other dogs space and save play time with friends for after class. If you can see that your puppy or dog is not comfortable in a certain situation, do not feel that you need to stay. Move

into a different position in the class or put yourself on the outskirts.

### 4. Practice at home

It's true when people say that the class is actually for the human, not the dog! When you are at home, work on the skills your instructor has shown you in class. It is much easier for your dog to learn new things in a comfortable, less distracting environment. Once they have nailed it there, you will notice that they will perform the behaviours much easier when you are out and about.

## 5. Pick your instructor's brain

Ask questions!! Your instructor is always willing to listen to questions you may have and answer appropriately. There are some very knowledgeable people at the club who can give you their opinion about problems you may be having as well as about progressing in obedience or even other avenues of dog training.



## LEAVING YOUR PET ALONE

by Narelle – Puppies 1 Instructor

Wouldn't it be wonderful to take our pets everywhere with us? Reality is that it is quite difficult to do. Even if you are one of the lucky people that can take your dog to work, or work from home, there will be times when you will need to leave your pet alone.

Most people will purchase a new puppy when they are on holidays and be able to spend lots of time at home with the puppy. The holidays come to an end and the puppy then finds itself very alone and without the usual attention from owners and children. The house becomes an empty, quiet place and the puppy can miss the attention.

Planning and consistency are the keys to help your dog learn that you will return, and

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that it is normal to be on their own. Begin by leaving your puppy alone for short periods – just a few minutes and then gradually build this time up. Each time you return do NOT make a fuss over your puppy. Enter the house and when you are ready, and your puppy is calm, praise and pat him and play a game.

### **Vary your routine**

Some owners comment “As soon as I pick up the car keys he starts crying and jumping in distress, I get upset and don’t know what to do!”

That is simply because he associates the keys with the owner leaving. Varying the owner’s routine will help the dog disassociate the keys with absence. The owner could leave the keys in a bag near the door and just pick the bag up on the way out.

Other ways to vary the routine. Leave via different doors – if you always go out the back door – change and leave by the front door. If you always put on your joggers in front of the dog – put them on in another room or carry them out the door and put them on outside.

If you always press the garage door opener and the puppy hears that; perhaps open the door earlier or wait until you are outside.

On the other side of the scale my dogs know when I am going to work by my routine – they know I will be gone for

a long time and by the time I get to the front door they are curled up in their beds ready to go back to sleep.

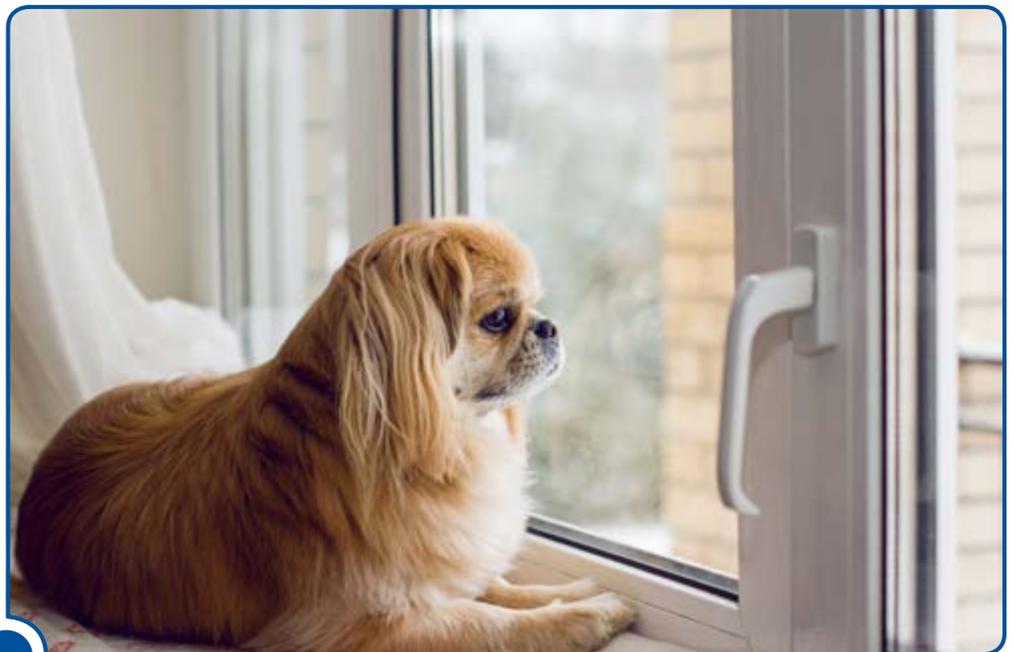
Puppies can also pick up on your feelings – if you are stressed, they will pick up on this and feel stress too, not knowing why. Don’t fuss over them before you leave – this may make them feel like they should fear something.

Just say – “off to work see you later!”

- There are Adaptil collars or diffusers which can help to relax your puppy and make time alone less stressful.

- Don’t let them have the run of the entire house – reduce the area they have to roam around the house – it can help to reduce stress.

- Ensure you leave water and bedding



### **Some things you can do to help**

- Leave a radio on in another room – this will help the puppy to think someone is at home

- Leave safe toys with food to keep them occupied

- Technology – some people can see their dogs and speak to their dogs via video surveillance and even provide treats by a dispenser. However, this could have an adverse effect by getting your dog excited when you are not there.

Don’t forget you need to do this as soon as your new pet arrives – every day! Help your puppy fit into your lifestyle!!!



# MOVERS AND SHAKERS



*Carole Hately's Bella got her second Rally Novice pass at Cooma in December*



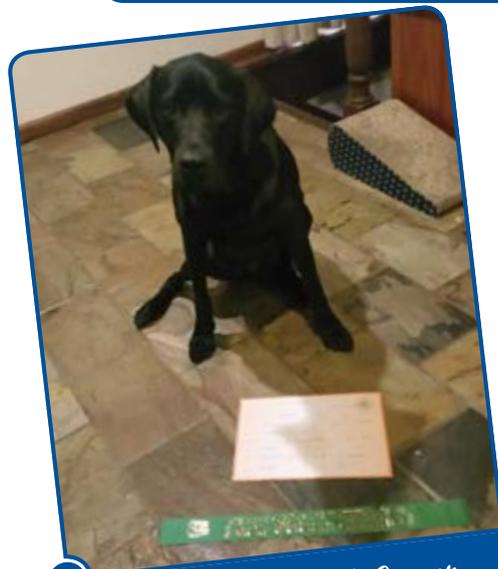
*Karyn Gresser's Gypsy got her first title in December Rally Novice!*



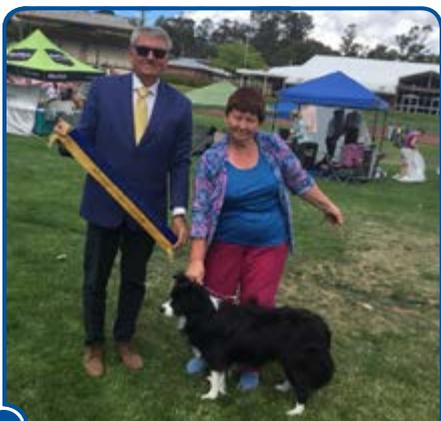
*Julie Wooster and Ruby got their K9 Companion Award in December*



*Carole Hately's show results from Cooma, NSW Womens Dog Club, Lake Bungendore and Canberra Dec & Jan*



*Heidi Richardson's Cooper got his first Rally Novice pass at Northern Suburbs trial in January. He scored 90 under judge Ron Probert*



*Carole Hately's Annie got Runner Up Neuter in Group at Cooma Show in December*



*Ash Truscott's Harleyr*



*Joel Douglas Hogan's puppy graduate.*



The Sydney Opera House has recruited 5 working dogs on official Seagull Patrol at their restaurants, the Opera Bar and Opera Kitchen.

Seagulls stealing food and bothering customers has been an ongoing issue for the venue. The dogs - Roxy, Penny, Scamp and Tauzer - and their handlers are part of a trial scheme to see if their presence will keep seagulls from being a nuisance. The dogs wear special dog booties to protect their paws from the hot pavement while on the job. The fifth dog is Bailey Haggarty, Assistant Director of Seagulls at the Australian National Maritime Museum. (No, really - he has his own blog and everything.)

Bailey began the patrol program a few months ago and inspired the Opera House to employ 4 more pooches to continue the program. Steve Davis, Venue Manager, told ABC Sydney that they've seen an 80 per cent reduction in replacement of customers' food since the 4-legged Seagull Patrol have been present. The trial will continue until Jan 31.



Sources: ABC Sydney, Sydney Opera House, Newshub.co.nz



Welcome back everyone!

The last of the teenage years of this century is with us already. Time flies doesn't it?

This year is going to be very busy with the instructors course starting and around fifteen new instructors joining our ranks. Good luck to them, and I am sure they will enjoy the lectures and experience they are about to have. The lectures are really good - so much so, our experienced instructors attend as well to pick up on new information and ideas.

The Club will be 40 years old this year and we will be celebrating this on club days of the 4th and 5th March. It may be hard to believe, but we train close to 1,000 people per year on how to train their dogs

To all of you that are returning, either continuing on from last year or are starting as new members, welcome to our Club. Our aim is to ensure you learn how to train your dog so that you have a well trained family member (even better than your kids)!! We have our AGM in April so if you would like to get more involved, and learn more then why not come along to our monthly meeting on the second Wednesday of each month and see how we operate. Both you and your dog (not invited to the meetings) can learn even more about the dog world.

Apart from what you learn and see at our Club, there are many other aspects of dog world activities to get involved in, both serious and fun, such as Obedience, Rally, Flyball, Agility - to mention just a few.

Have a good time with your best friend!



Gordon Fenbow

President

## BOOK REVIEW.

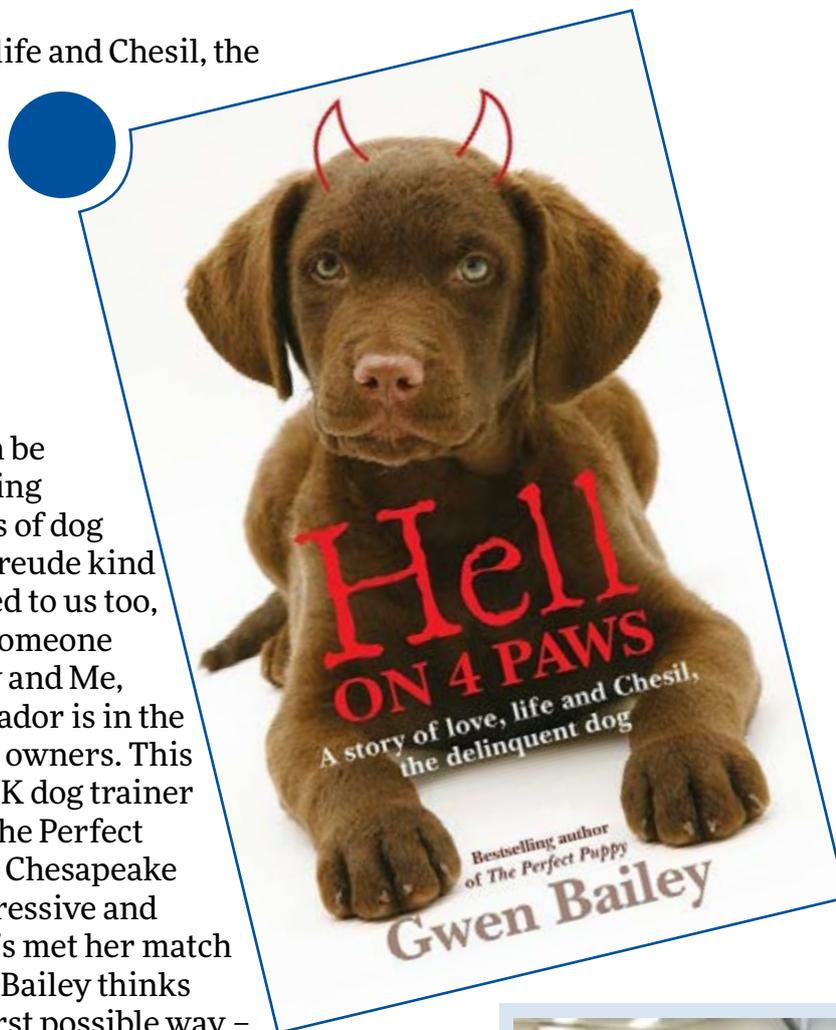
Hell on 4 Paws: A story of love, life and Chesil, the delinquent dog

By Gwen Bailey

Octopus Publishing Group,  
2010

*Reviewed by Ellen Mok*

We all know dog ownership can be messy. And for most of us, reading about the trials and tribulations of dog ownership is fun, in a schadenfreude kind of way. (Because it's all happened to us too, but for once, it's happening to someone else!) But this book is no Marley and Me, where an arguably typical Labrador is in the hands of naïve first-time puppy owners. This is the memoir of Gwen Bailey, UK dog trainer best known for her bestseller *The Perfect Puppy*. Her new partner's adult Chesapeake Bay Retriever is fat, smelly, aggressive and pushy, and while she thinks she's met her match – in a good way – with the man, Bailey thinks she's met her match – in the worst possible way – with his dog. I found this book easy to read as well as a fascinating exploration into the intellectual and emotional line between being a dog trainer and being a dog owner.



Did you know we have more than 60 instructors at our club? So maintaining our high standard of teaching requires a bit of preparation! 30 January was the night our instructors gathered to update our teaching manuals, refresh exercises and share knowledge. Now bring on training for 2019!

## TOP TRAINING TIPS

A simple but powerful one from our Chief Instructor Dianne Atkins to start off the year...

**“Don’t blame them,  
train them!”**

Sick of the walking the same route with your dog? We at the Howler are looking to round up the best dog days out! This year, we'll be including a monthly review written by one of our members sharing a great walk in a park or a forest or beach. But - we'll need your help to sniff out the best spots to take your dog. Where have you visited lately? Can you and your dog lend us a paw? Drop us a line at hillshowler@gmail.com.



*Well sign posted and visible from Castle Hill Rd*

## DOG DAY OUT: CUMBERLAND STATE FOREST

by *Tony Vink*

Place: Cumberland State Forest, West Pennant Hills

Walk duration: 30-60 mins

Off-leash areas: None

Amenities: water, toilets, picnic/bbq areas, cafe, visitors' info centre

Walking through the forest over wide paths, sided with timber edges and balustrades, and under a lush green canopy of the indigenous trees, I felt very privileged to have such a beautiful place to come and enjoy nature.



*Multiple bridges over the whole trail.*

With the dogs (mostly) on leash, we took about an hour to complete the trail as laid out. The trail takes us through the Arboretum and the Regrowth forest, loosely separated by the access road. There are several plaques with information about forest regeneration, timber use and sustainable forestry. Many individual trees are labeled for easy identification, not that Cinnamon and Yoda had more than a 'read pee mail' and 'reply all' interest in them. Here and there the sound of water invites you to look for a little creek or a small waterfall and if you're lucky the occasional duck will be swimming in the pond.

There are three trails in fact but we choose

the longest one which is varied and winding with steps, timber bridges and some inclined places. Not too laborious but I would recommend good shoes and that you are at least relatively confident walking on uneven terrain. The paths were a bit messier than usual, the recent storms last December had caused havoc in this area specifically. The shortest route is the 350m Sensory Trail, really not enough for the dogs, but you can add it to the others and so design your own walk.



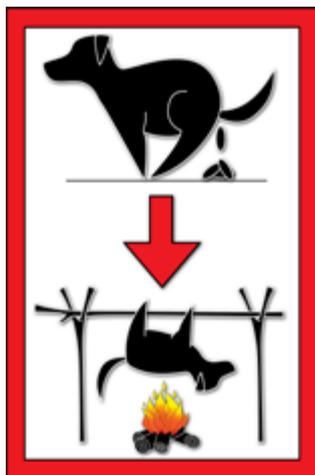
*Cinnamon modeling the proper use of a timber bench along the trail*

The start and finish of the trails are next to the picnic and barbecue areas and the car park. There you will find Cafe Saligna and Plants Plus Cumberland Forest, a wonderful little nursery with the usuals, but specifically, tube stock, young indigenous trees, to start your own forest. The Tree Top adventures office is also on site. I still need to bring my (human) boys there for a climb in the canopy.



*Broad steps - very pretty*

Bring a camera, if not your mobile phone. Bring poo bags. There are water taps, benches, tables and barbecues. After rainy days it might be a bit slippery and humid, but that scares no dog lovers, am I right?



So how do we rate these walks and trails?  
Well, let's give them a score out of 4 paws, eh?

Access from the Hills: . . . . .

Fun for Humans: . . . . .

Fun for Dogs: . . . . .

Amenities: . . . . .

Adventurous: . . . . .

Overall score: . . . . .

This jewel in the Hills is a fantastic resource for families with or without dogs. Pack a picnic and treat your dog to a whole new range of sights, sounds and smells.

## TELL ME ANOTHER ONE



What's the dog's favourite composer?

Poochini!

Why won't the dog listen to the farmer's sheep jokes?

Because he's herd them all.

## SEEK BACK

Even before term had started, a group of 40+ members gathered in the club house on 23 January to hear Maureen Shepherd share her knowledge about training a dog the seek back. The seek back is an exercise from obedience competition Utility level (UD) where the dog and handler heel around the ring to make a track. Somewhere along this track, an article carrying the handler's scent is placed and the dog must find it and bring it back to the handler. Maureen shared her thorough training method with a presentation followed by a demonstration from one of her own dogs.

While the seek back in the trial ring is indeed impressive, Maureen explained that using their nose is something all dogs love to do, and should be encouraged to do so outside of competition. "Remember," she said, "a dog was put on God's Earth to use his nose!" One of our instructors, Ryan, proved just this when his Labrador Barney enthusiastically found first a birch scented box in

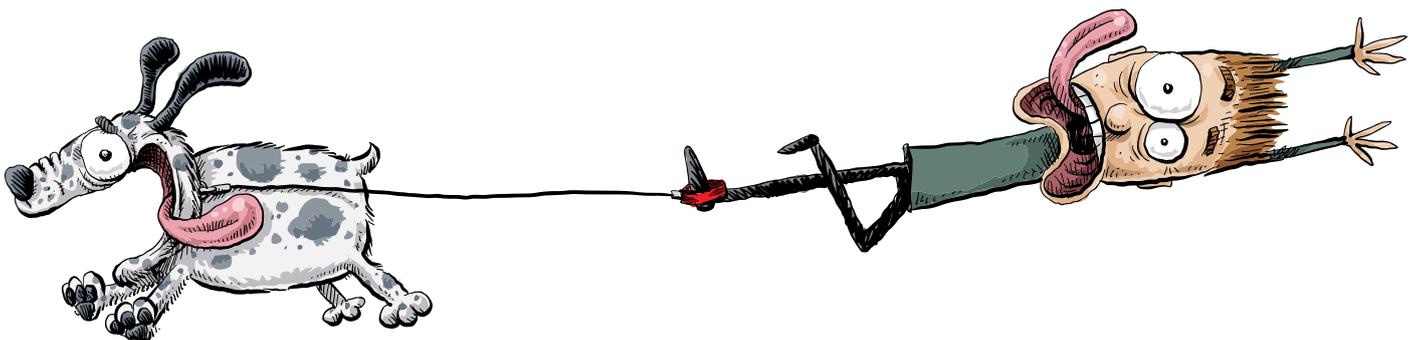


*Maureen, knowledgeable instructor.*



*Your keys sir.*

the grass, and then Ryan's car keys as he had been trained to do. What a help Barney must be! Attendees described Maureen as "entertaining and knowledgeable" and loved learning about this fascinating exercise. Thanks Maureen!



# NOTICE IS GIVEN OF THE GENERAL MEETING

## *of Hills Dog Club Inc.*

**When:** . . . . . Wednesday **13 February 2019** - 7:30pm  
**Where:** . . . . . Meeting Rooms at Castle Hill Showground.  
**Who:** . . . . . Everyone is welcome to attend.

### AGENDA

1. Open Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of previous General Meeting
4. Business arising from the minutes
5. Correspondence
6. Treasurer's Report
7. New members
8. Chief Instructor's Report
9. Show Secretary's Report
10. Trial Secretary's Report
11. Publicity Officer's Report
12. Election of November 2019 Trial Judges  
(carried over from November)
13. Public Officer
14. Donations
15. General Business





You're invited!  
Come along to training on

Mon 4 Mar 7 pm  
Tues 5 Mar 10:30 am

at Castle Hill Showground, Dog Rings

to help us celebrate our 40th  
anniversary.

Training  
Obedience demonstrations



## 4 SIMPLE STEPS FOR **SUN SAFETY** AT TRAINING

It's getting hot! Remember these steps to keep you and your dog safe at training.



### 1 DRINK WATER

Bring a bottle of water to training and help yourself to the taps and bowls for your dog.



### 2 FIND SHADE

If you can train in the shade, great! If not, make sure to find shade during breaks.



### 3 WEAR A HAT

A hat and loose-fitting clothes will help keep you cool and protect you from sunburn.

### 4 TAKE BREAKS

Time flies when you're having fun. So don't forget to take frequent breaks to rehydrate and cool off - both you and your dog!



**YOU ARE READY TO TRAIN!**

Stay safe!

poster by ellen for Hills Dog Club Inc.

**NO TUESDAY CLASSES HELD  
IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

# Hills Dog Club Inc. TRAINING TIMES

**Mon.** 7pm -> Puppies\*,  
Beginners, Graduate & Advanced  
8pm -> Competitive  
Trialling dogs class  
\*Puppy classes are for dogs 12-20  
weeks.  
**Tue.** 10:30am -> All Classes

**NO CLASSES HELD ON  
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Forgotten to bring treats to training?  
Lamb Treats are on sale at the office for \$5 a packet

## CLUB MEETINGS

The club meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, except January, in the clubhouse. Meetings start at 7.30pm. All welcome! Tea and coffee provided. Club financial year is 1st January to 31st December.

## CORRESPONDENCE AND NEWSLETTER

All Club correspondence or enquiries should be addressed in writing to The Secretary, PO BOX 392 Round Corner NSW 2158 Hills Howler is available at the clubhouse on training days/nights and online. All members are encouraged to contribute. For admin purposes, please keep us informed of **change of email** address.

**NOTICE:**  
Election Obedience- and Rally Judges will take place at the general meeting every November

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Subject: Send Howler



## GROUND RULES

1. As a condition of membership, all dogs are required to be properly vaccinated according to current veterinary guidelines.
2. Members are responsible at all times for the behaviour of their dog/s whilst present on the training grounds or representing the club.
3. All dogs must have properly fitted equipment and remain on lead at all times (unless instructed otherwise by a club instructor). No check/choker chains are to be used on any dogs in Puppy, Beginners or Graduate classes.
4. A member shall not ill-treat a dog at any time. Any such action may give rise to suspension or expulsion from the Club by resolution of the Committee.
5. Bitches in season and/or dog/s which are un-well or have an infectious condition are not permitted on the obedience training grounds.

6. Members are to pick up after their dog/s and help keep the grounds clean and tidy.
7. Adequate sensible dress with appropriate footwear (no thongs, scuffs or bare feet) is required to be worn by Handler during training.
8. Dogs are not to be left unattended whilst on the training grounds unless crated or tethered in a safe area. Members are reminded not to approach dogs that are confined. All dogs are to be kept under control and supervised while at the counter or in the clubhouse.
9. The Club reserves the right to ask any member to muzzle or in extreme cases, remove their dog/s from the training grounds. If a muzzle is required this must remain in place whilst on the club grounds. This will be at the discretion of the Committee.
10. Members who use Club equipment must ensure it is

- returned to the storeroom and stored correctly after classes are conducted.
11. Children are welcome to attend classes provided they are supervised by an adult/parent/guardian at all times.
12. Child members (aged 7 to 11 are to be accompanied by an adult/parent/guardian in classes) and Junior members (aged 12 to 15 under adult/parent/guardian supervision on grounds) are welcome to train providing they have sufficient control of their dog during classes. This will be at the discretion of the class/chief instructor.

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We train we're fine come rain or shine

## FOR NOTICE OF CLASS CANCELLATION

In the event of extreme weather conditions (heat or rain)

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[www.facebook.com/hillsdogclub](http://www.facebook.com/hillsdogclub)  
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Did you enjoy reading this newsletter? Yes, of course you did. Would you like to get involved? We at the Howler are looking for members to join our production team! Do you like to write? Do you like to take photos? Do you go to dog events on the weekends and can share your experiences? Are you an artist? Are you an IP lawyer who can keep us on the straight and narrow? Do you like to surf the net looking for

*Is there something else amazing you can do?*

fun dog stuff? Is there something else amazing you can do that we haven't thought of but would contribute to our newsletter?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, WE WANT YOU! Drop us a line at [hillshowler@gmail.com](mailto:hillshowler@gmail.com) or have a chat to instructors Ellen or Tony at the club. The Howler is for members, by members, and we want to become bigger and better!



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## Hills Dog Club

### Annual General Meeting and Trophy Presentation Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

**To be held in the club rooms, Hills Dog Club, Castle Hill Showground  
Commencing at 7:30pm**

#### AGENDA:

- Meeting Opened
- Apologies
- Acceptance of the minutes of the 2018 AGM
- To receive and adopt the balance sheets and accounts of the club and accompanying reports thereon;
- REPORTS:
  - o President
  - o Secretary
  - o Other reports as may be submitted.
- Election of Returning Officer
- Election of not less than two (2) scrutineers
- Elect Office Bearers and Committee
  - o (d) to receive from the returning officer of the Chairman pursuant to Rule 42 the result of the ballot for the election of Office Bearers and the Members of the Committee or pursuant to Rule 40, to elect Office Bearers or Members of the Committee.
- Elect Patrons (maximum 3)
- Elect an Auditor
- Any other business, written notice of which has been given at least 7 days prior to meeting.

Please note the following from the Hills Dog Club Inc constitution.

40. The Office Bearers and the Members of the Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and shall take office at the General Meeting held in the month following the Annual General Meeting. The Office Bearers will hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.

41. All nomination of Members proposed as Office Bearers or as Members of the Committee may be received in writing and/or nominated from the floor at the Annual General Meeting. [11.15]

42. If there be more than the required number of Members nominated for the election to any office, an election by ballot shall take place, but if there be only the required number, the Chairman shall declare those nominated to be duly elected.

**Following the Annual General Meeting the Presentation of Awards for 2019 will be held.**

# Hills Dog Club Committee Nomination Form 2019

I hereby nominate

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(please print)

For the position of

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Signature of nominee

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Signature of proposer

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Signature of seconder:

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Completed form to be handed to Secretary, Michelle Gurney or her Nominee, Mrs Anne Small at the office counter by 8.00 pm Monday April 16, 2018 or posted to the Club Official Address - The Secretary, Hills Dog Club Inc. PO Box 392, Round Corner, NSW, 2158.

No responsibility or liability is accepted for any nomination form handed to any other person, or sent to a different address.

Please note the following in the Hills Dog Club Inc. constitution:

16. (a) A Junior Member, Provisional Member, Associate Member, Child Member, Honorary Member or Honorary Life Member shall not be entitled to vote or take part in the proceedings of a General Meeting and shall not be eligible to hold office, but shall be entitled to exercise all other privileges of Membership.

(b) Provisional Membership shall not entitle a person to be admitted to any other category of Membership without approval of the Club's Members in General Meeting.

24. There shall be a Committee consisting of the Office Bearers and four (4) but no more than six (6) Members plus Publicity Officer, Show Secretary, Trial Secretary, Chief Instructor, and if appointed, Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, Registrar, Ground Equipment Officer, Education Officer, and Trophy Stewards.

37. The Office Bearers of the Club shall be: (a) The President (b) Two (2) Vice-Presidents (c) The Treasurer (d) The Secretary All Office Bearers must be financial members of Dogs NSW [Reg X 2.6 [a] [b]]



## HILLS DOG CLUB Inc. AWARDS

Each year members of this Club are invited to enter our awards. The awards acknowledge excellence in Obedience, Rally Obedience and Tracking Competition as well as Achievement in Combined Canine activity. In addition, Title Trophies are presented to any member's dog that has gained a Title in an approved dog discipline.

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**ARE YOU APPLYING FOR A POINTS SCORE TROPHY? YES/NO**

**If YES, please complete form for CATEGORY 1**

**ARE YOU APPLYING FOR A TITLE TROPHY? YES/NO**

**If YES, please complete form for CATEGORY 2**

**ARE YOU APPLYING FOR A TRACKING TROPHY? YES/NO**

**If YES, please complete form for CATEGORY 3**

**ARE YOU APPLYING for the CHAMPIONSHIP HONOUR BOARD? YES/NO**

**If YES, please complete form for CATEGORY 4**

### EXPLANATION of AWARDS

The awards fall into 4 categories:

#### Category 1: OBEDIENCE & RALLY O

Category 1 Awards are competitive within the club, and are awarded by the club. These awards are based on **points gained** in competition at different levels, i.e., CCD, Novice (CD), Open (CDX), UD and UDX.

To be eligible for these awards you must:

1. Be a financial member of the Hills Dog Club Inc. at the time of participation in your nominated trials AND at the final closing date for submission of entries.
2. Have been an active member of the Hills Dog Club Inc. at the time of participation in your nominated trials for these awards.
3. Submit a complete, correct and legible entry form by the closing date, with photocopies of the original qualifying certificates attached OR the original qualifying certificates must be sighted by a Committee member and your entry form signed by the Committee member.

Any trial conducted within NSW or ACT is eligible for nomination.

Each of the Obedience Awards is based on the **combined total of the required number (which depends on the level of competition) of the participants' highest scores gained in the competition year stated.**

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded according to the number of points gained, with the highest scoring Handler and Dog in each **competition level** winning the Perpetual Trophy for the year.

Perpetual Trophies will be awarded to the highest scoring Handler & Dog in each level of competition. These awards will be automatically granted. The Perpetual Trophies are:

CCD	Abbey Memorial Trophy
NOVICE	Hazel Baldwin Trophy
OPEN	Hilda Smythe Trophy
UD	Barry Langdon Trophy
UDX	Hills Dog Club Inc. Trophy
OPEN & UD	Karen Valeschini Memorial Trophy
RALLY O	Iris Bollinger Perpetual Trophy
TRACKING	Hills Dog Club Inc. Trophy
HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT in CANINE COMP.	Dianne Atkins Perpetual Trophy

The closing date for entries will be 12th February 2019.

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Awards will be presented at the 2019 AGM, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

**ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA for the DIANNE ATKINS PERPETUAL TROPHY for HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CANINE COMPETITION:**

The following additional criteria must be met for this Perpetual Trophy to be presented to a Hills Dog Club Inc. member. If there is no member who meets the criteria, the trophy will not be awarded that year.

1. A club member must meet all other club requirements for trophies.
2. The competition year will run from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.
3. A nominee must achieve a minimum of 2 Titles with the same dog in the designated competition year.
4. As the purpose of this Trophy is to celebrate high achievement, the number and difficulty of titles will be taken into consideration.
5. In the event of multiple successful applications, the Chief Instructor and the President of the club will make the final decision. Their decision will be final. No correspondence will be entered into.
6. Members may nominate themselves and their dogs for this award, or another member may nominate them.
7. Nomination forms must be completed, signed and submitted by 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019.
8. Late entries will not be accepted.

Qualifying titles include:

Obedience	Tracking	Endurance	<b>OR</b> any other title granted by the ANKC, or any other title deemed by the Club to be a fair title, e.g., Flyball, Canine Good Citizen, Hills Canine Companion Award, etc.
Rally O	Herding	Conformation	
Agility	Earthdog	Search & Track	
Flyball	Gundog	Dancing with Dogs	

## AWARDS for OBEDIENCE

The competition period for CCD & NOVICE runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.  
This is a 2-year period.

### CCD

Your best THREE results only will be accepted and *must fall within a 12-month time zone of the above 2-year period.*

228 to 239 points	Receive a bronze medal
240 to 251 points	Receive a silver medal
252 to 300 points	Receive a gold medal

### NOVICE

Your best THREE results only will be accepted and *must fall within a 12-month time zone of the above 2-year period.*

528 to 539 points	Receive a bronze medal
540 to 551 points	Receive a silver medal
552 to 600 points	Receive a gold medal

The competition year for OPEN, UD & UDX runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

### OPEN

Your best SEVEN results only will be accepted.

1246 to 1273 points	Receive a bronze medal
1274 to 1301 points	Receive a silver medal
1302 to 1400 points	Receive a gold medal

### UD

Your best THREE results only will be accepted.

534 to 544 points	Receive a bronze medal
545 to 555 points	Receive a silver medal
556 to 600 points	Receive a gold medal

### UDX

Your best THREE results only will be accepted.

534 to 544 points	Receive a bronze medal
545 to 555 points	Receive a silver medal
556 to 600 points	Receive a gold medal

### OPEN & UD

Your best THREE results from each Class will be accepted.

## AWARDS for RALLY OBEDIENCE

The competition year for all Rally Obedience awards runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 inclusive.

Your best SIX results from any Class will be accepted and these can be a mix of classes.

456 to 479 points	Receive a bronze medal
480 to 503 points	Receive a silver medal
504 to 600 points	Receive a gold medal

## Category 2: TITLE TROPHIES

Category 2 Awards are the club's way of recognising Titles achieved by members and their dogs. These awards are based on **having gained a Title in a particular dog discipline, as recognised by the ANKC.**

Because this is a Title award only, **the awards are not points based.**

To be eligible for these awards you must:

1. Be a financial member of the Hills Dog Club Inc. at the time of participation in your nominated trials AND at the final closing date for submission of entries.
2. Have been an active member of the Hills Dog Club Inc. at the time of participation in your nominated trials for these awards.
3. Submit a complete, correct and legible entry form by the closing date with photocopies of the original qualifying certificates attached OR the original qualifying certificates must be sighted by a Committee member and your entry form signed by the Committee member.

The closing date for entries will be 12th February 2019.

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

The Trophies will be presented at the 2019 AGM, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

## Category 3: TRACKING

This Perpetual Trophy is to be presented to a member and their dog, for achieving the most outstanding performance in a 12-month period in Tracking.

The following criteria must be met for this Perpetual Trophy to be presented to a Hills Dog Club Inc. member. If there is no member who meets the criteria, then the trophy will not be awarded that year.

1. A club member must meet all other club requirements for trophies.
2. The competition year will run from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December in any given year.
3. As the purpose of this trophy is to celebrate high achievement, the number and difficulty of titles will be taken into consideration. (Please refer to point 4, below.)
4. Highest Tracking achievement gained in the 12-month period: Grading of passes will be taken into account for the same titles. Then, all other titles and grading and all passes will be taken into account in the same 12-month period if the score is tied.
5. In the event of multiple successful applications, the Chief Instructor and the President of the club will make the final decision. Their decision will be final. No correspondence will be entered into.
6. Members may nominate themselves and their dogs for this award, or other members may nominate them.

Nomination forms must be completed, signed and submitted by 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

The Trophy will be presented at the 2019 AGM, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

## Category 4: HONOUR BOARD

The Honour Board is to acknowledge the outstanding performance of an ANKC title Championship dog, across all our sports, and will display the dog's name and the title achieved, on the Honour Board.

The following criteria apply:

1. A club member must meet all other club requirements for trophies and awards.
2. The competition year will run from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December in any given year.  
PLEASE NOTE for 2018 ONLY, any member whose dog achieved their title prior to the introduction of the Honour Board award, may apply for their dog's name to be included provided that the member was financial and active in the club at the time the title was achieved. This applies to the 2018 award period only.

Nomination forms must be completed, signed and submitted the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

The award will be announced at the 2019 AGM, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

### SUMMARY of AWARDS

AWARD TYPE	QUALIFYING PERIOD and/or other criteria	ENTRIES CLOSE	DATE of PRESENTATION
C A T 1	Obedience & Rally O Achievements & Perpetual Trophies	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	At the Hills Dog Club Inc. 2019 AGM, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019
	<b>CCD &amp; Novice:</b> from 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2017 to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2018 inclusive. <b>This is a 2-year time frame.</b> However, your BEST THREE RESULTS ONLY WILL BE ACCEPTED and the passes must fall within a <u>12-month</u> time zone of the above period.		
	<b>Open, UD &amp; UDX:</b> from 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2018 inclusive.		
C A T 2	Title Trophies	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	At the Hills Dog Club Inc. 2019 AGM. 3rd April 2019
C A T	Tracking Trophy	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	At the Hills Dog Club Inc. 2019 AGM 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019
C A T 4	Hills Dog Club Inc. Honour Board	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	At the Hills Dog Club Inc. 2019 AGM 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019
	To acknowledge the outstanding performance of an ANKC title Championship dog, across all our sports, and will display the dog's name and the title achieved, on the Honour Board.		

## COMPLETE THIS FORM for CATEGORY 1

### OBEDIENCE & RALLY O ACHIEVEMENTS & PERPETUAL TROPHIES AWARDS

Name of Dog \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Trial	Date	Class	Points	Cat No.	Office Use

TOTAL POINTS: \_\_\_\_\_ (not needed for Dianne Atkins Trophy)

**Please tick box for Trophy and/or Medallion applied for:**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abbey Memorial Trophy (CCD)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hilda Smythe Trophy (Open)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Karen Valeschini Memorial Trophy (Open & UD)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Dianne Atkins Perpetual Trophy<br>(Highest Achievement in Canine Competition) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazel Baldwin Trophy (Novice)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Barry Langdon Trophy (UD)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hills Dog Club Perpetual Trophy (UDX)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Iris Bollinger Memorial Trophy<br>(Rally O) |
|--|--|

**Medallion:**            Gold                Silver                Bronze   

Member's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Original qualifying certificate/s sighted by Committee Member & signed \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby confirm that the above information is true and correct and that I have been a financial member of the Hills Dog Club Inc. now and when the above results were achieved.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be returned by 12th February 2019.**

It may be handed in on the Training Ground at the counter,  
 or given to Genevieve Young, or posted to:  
 The Secretary, Hills Dog Club Inc., PO Box 392, ROUND CORNER, NSW, 2158



## Hills Dog Club Inc.

**COMPLETE THIS FORM for CATEGORY 2**

### **MEMBERS TROPHY FOR NEW TITLES GAINED IN 2018**

Any dog that has gained a title in 2018 is entitled to receive a trophy recognising this achievement.

### **PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES**

Members need to attend the 2019 A.G.M. on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019, to accept the trophy on behalf of their dog.

OWNER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DOG'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(Include Kennel name, and other titles if applicable)

TITLES GAINED \_\_\_\_\_

(in the order gained)

NB: Multiple titles gained during the year will be engraved on a single trophy with the exception of Champion or Grand Champion, which will be presented as an individual trophy.

*Please attach proof of title (e.g., copy of certificate or amended registration certificate).*

**This form must be returned by 12th February 2019.**

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or given to Genevieve Young, or posted to:

The Secretary  
Hills Dog Club Inc.

PO Box 392, ROUND CORNER, NSW, 2158

**COMPLETE THIS FORM for CATEGORY 3**

**TRACKING PERPETUAL TROPHY 2018**

Name of dog and handler:					
TRACKING Test No.	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	TITLES GAINED
	Pass	Good	Very Good	Excellent	
1					
2					
3					T.D.
4					
5					
6					T.D.X.
7					
8					T.CH.
TRACK & SEARCH Test No.	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	TITLES GAINED
	Pass	Good	Very Good	Excellent	
1					
2					
3					T.S.D.
4					
5					
6					T.S.D.X.
7					
8					TSD CH.
9					
10					TS.GRAND CH.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Original qualifying certificate/s sighted by Committee Member & signed \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby confirm that the above information is true and correct and that I have been a financial member of the Hills Dog Club Inc. now and when the above results were achieved.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be returned by 12th February 2019.**

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## Hills Dog Club Inc.

### COMPLETE THIS FORM for CATEGORY 4

**For THIS YEAR ONLY, any member whose dog achieved their Championship title prior to the introduction of this Honour Board award, may apply for their dog's name to be included, provided that all other eligibility criteria are met.**

#### **PRESENTATION OF AWARD**

Members need to attend the 2019 A.G.M. on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019,  
to accept the award on behalf of their dog.

OWNER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DOG'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(Include Kennel name, and other titles if applicable)

CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE/S GAINED

\_\_\_\_\_  
(in the order gained)

*Please attach proof of title (e.g., copy of certificate or amended registration certificate).*

**This form must be returned by 12th February 2019.**

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or given to Genevieve Young, or posted to:

The Secretary  
Hills Dog Club Inc.

PO Box 392, ROUND CORNER, NSW, 2158



# Hills Dog Club Inc.

Postal Address - The Secretary PO Box 392 Round Corner NSW 2158

Renewal Application - due by the 3rd Tuesday in March

**A copy of your dog/s current vaccination must be submitted with your renewal**

## PERSONAL DETAILS

I/We (Last name).....

First name .....

Address .....

Suburb ..... Postcode .....

Phone..... mobile.....email.....

Optional for Dogs NSW members - Membership Number .....

## DOGS DETAILS

NAME .....BREED.....AGE.....

NAME .....BREED.....AGE.....

Apply to be admitted as member(s) of the Hills Dog Club Inc. (club year 1<sup>st</sup> Jan – 31<sup>st</sup> Dec)

I/We enclose my/our **RENEWAL FEE** of

Full Membership	Adult	\$15.00	<input type="radio"/>	Dual	\$20.00	<input type="radio"/>
Associate Membership	Adult	\$15.00	<input type="radio"/>	Dual	\$20.00	<input type="radio"/>
Full Membership	Family	\$30.00	<input type="radio"/>			
Associate Membership	Family	\$30.00	<input type="radio"/>	Junior	\$10.00	<input type="radio"/>

**CASH OR  
CHEQUE  
ONLY**

**\* NB: Dual Membership is any two people residing at the same address**

**PLEASE TICK ONE BOX – ONLY FULL MEMBERSHIP ENTITLES YOU TO VOTE**

*General meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month except January*

In the event of me/us becoming members, I/we also undertake to be bound by the Constitution of the Hills Dog Club Inc. ("the Club") I/We understand that members & dogs train at their own risk & indemnify and hereby waive and release the Club its members and workers from any and all liability for any injury or damage which I/we, my family, guest or my dog may suffer while on Club grounds or in the Club buildings. I/we also declare that ALL dogs trained by me/us on this ground hold a valid vaccination certificate from a registered Veterinarian according to current guidelines.

Signature(s).....Date.....

## OFFICE USE

Membership Fee    \$ ..... Vac. Cert. Sighted \_\_\_\_\_

..... Receipt number \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL    \$ ..... Office Staff Signature \_\_\_\_\_