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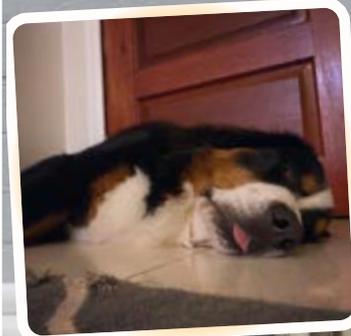
July 2020



Carole Hately's Piper, Annie and Bella.



Lisa Hope's dog



Louise Horton's Nessie



Robyn Coats' Scout



Biddy: Pretty as a picture

YES WE'RE BACK!
All you need to know

It's a ruff ride: when car racing and dog training come together

In the doghouse: how to enjoy multiple dogs

Important Dates.

General meetings: 2020:

8 Jul.....12 Aug.9 Sept.14 Oct.
11 Nov.....9 Dec.

Interclub (Ob) - TBA

Sept. Double Championship Shows - TBA

Oct. Suzanne Clothier talk. - TBA

Evening Trial - TBA

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EDITOR'S NOTE.

Hi readers,

Hottest news on the block: we're back! Hooray! Training at the Showground for current members resumes Monday 20th July, 7pm and Tuesday 21st July, 10:30am. We are very excited to see you all and feel confident that following our guidelines (page4), we will be able to train safely and have a good time!

This month we have a classic story from Barb Monument, who was a club instructor when she lived in the Hills. She is a dedicated reader of the Howler and we thank her for sharing this great tale of heart-stopping adventure... with a few tips about dog training along the way. Don't miss it on page 5.

We know many of our members have acquired new dogs since we saw you last. Puppy instructor Narelle has shared some of her best tips on managing a multi-dog household. If your house is feeling less like pooch paradise and more like a circus, make sure you check out her advice on page 8.

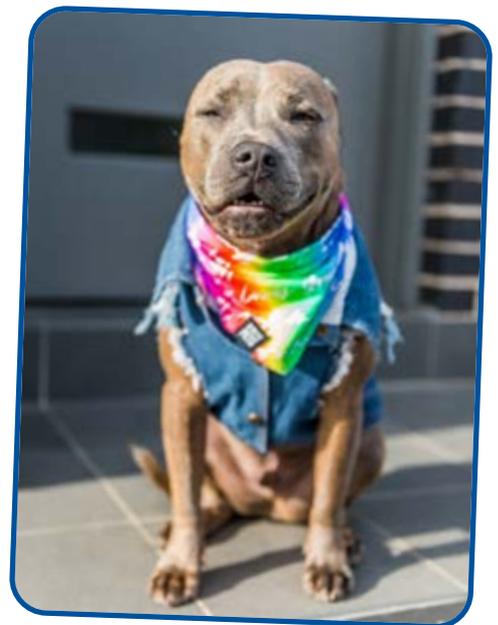
We got quite a few photos to our request on facebook a couple of weeks ago, see them on the 1st 3 pages of this Howler. Thanks to all who sent in a photo. We love 'em.

It's time to dig out your training manual, dust off that treat pouch and head on down to class, we'll see you all soon.

Happy training!

Ellen, Editor

*Ellen Mok, Tony Vink
Graphic Designer
Tony Vink*



Rocky Chau's sun in eyes



Bored with lockdown, Renee Higgins



Alison Inving's Hawkeye



Alison Inving's Jasper



Cat Bartlett's Elara



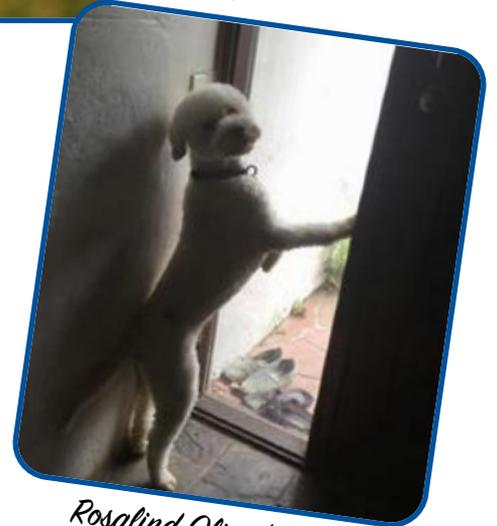
Dennise Foley's Dior



Dianne Atkins' Abbey



*Fay Mullan's champion
tongue roller*



Rosalind Oliver's Holly



Lisa Hope's Mojo

Thank you for sending in your funny, weird and just beautiful doggies photos.



Tony's Cinnamon - Croc wrangling



Louise Horton's Nessie



Robert Henderson's BCs

THE TIME HAS COME!

Exciting news! We are thrilled to announce that **training at the Hills Dog Club will resume for current members** on Monday 20th July at 7:00 pm.

In order to ensure safety, please note:

- 🐾 **One handler per dog please.** Accompanying members must remain outside the training field (with the exception of Child Members who must be accompanied by an adult).
- 🐾 On arrival, **please have your name checked off in front of the office** by a club worker and **then go straight to your class.** Classes will be marked with signage and traffic cones. Please be on time as you must be checked off to attend class.
- 🐾 **Ground fees will be waived** for the dates of Mon 20/7, Tues 21/7, Mon 27/7 and Tues 28/7.
- 🐾 We are running classes only at present - **no training rings** will be available at this time.
- 🐾 **If you are feeling unwell, please stay home.** We will miss you, but will welcome you back when you are well.

NOTE!!

New members wanting to join - At this moment, in order to ensure social distancing can be maintained, training classes are for **current registered members** only. However, we anticipate being able to welcome new members very soon. We know those of you who have new dogs are anxious to begin training and we look forward to welcoming you soon.

Please note that the above guidelines are based on current advice from NSW Health, Dogs NSW and Hills Shire Council, however the COVID-19 situation can change rapidly. We encourage you to keep up with government health advice and we will do our best to keep you notified of any changes to our events.

You can also keep in touch with us via Facebook and our web page. We have shared many training videos over the past few months which we know you will find useful. For more training tips and activities, check out our latest newsletters. And we look forward to seeing you all soon!

Stay safe and happy training,
Hills Dog Club Inc.



WRX RACETRACK DRIVING AND DOG TRAINING - ARE THERE SIMILARITIES?

by Barb Monument

I spent Queens B'day at the WRX Club Driver Training course at Wakefield Park, Goulburn at my husbands behest, you know the old, "we never spend any time together", kind of thing. Under sufferance I agreed, if he was prepared to be completely embarrassed with me tootling around the track I would give it a go & I was terrified.

During the "briefing" they mentioned on more than one occasion the objective was to push us out of our comfort zones. I was thinking to myself, I for one, was pretty happy there.

Additionally, they made the comment that "if you continue to do the same thing, and it DOESN'T work, unless you CHANGE something, it will always be the same. This resonated with me when I began to think about my dog training & instructing. More of that later.

The track was divided into 4 parts, oh I should have mentioned there is an instructor in the car with you the whole time. Some might think this comforting, however, they were there to help do that pushing thing I mentioned. I also thought they were very brave.

Part 1 was all about weaving around orange cones, breaking & accelerating hard - sounds easy enough at 40kms an hour, not so flat out, oh & without knocking any of the cones over. So far so good, I managed to do quite nicely on this run.

Maybe those serpentines & weaves in Rally-O helped me there.

Part 2 was a series of cornering, finding & driving through the Apex on the road (oh yes flat out again) Did I happen to mention this was my husbands car too!!!! No pressure. I was completely unnerved venturing so close to the corners & changing direction over ripple strips etc. First run, success. 2nd run saw me mowing the grass, all out of shape, spinning around, panicking & yes it was tears before bedtime for me. I would have happily picked up my toys & left, however my trusty co-driver Phil then said & I quote:-

- a. What are the tears for? - ummm because I was scared out of my wits
 - b. Are you hurt? - ummm NO, what does that have to do with it
 - c. Is the car driveable? - ummmm yes, looks OK
- OK then let's try that again - there was nothing for me to say



My husband's idea of spending time together!

At first I wondered why he wasn't more comforting & nurturing, then realized that he was "training me" by focusing on the positives & not reinforcing the negative things, just like us with our dogs.

So the 3rd run, same thing happened, I anticipated being panicked & the corner became my nemesis. Then I thought about his words & decided that I could try it again, not over-think the corner & get it right & I DID.

Part 3 & 4 were even bigger & faster challenges but I started to see that the order they were in was establishing better control & laying a solid foundation for that control, so like us with our dogs, we need to start with small basic steps & get them right before we move on & start building.

Sometimes the frustration gets in our way when things don't go right, BUT if we just take a step back, reset & move on, more than likely those doubts & difficulties become a distant memory.

The afternoon was about putting it all together round the whole track (with instructor still onboard). I was by this time determined to get around the entire track unhurt, no tears, no damage & trying to remember every detail I had learnt when my instructor said "try breathing Barb – it will help & you can do this". When I looked at him, he was unnerved, confident in my ability & the cars capabilities. This allowed me to trust in myself.

First run, brilliant, second run faster & better, 3rd run faster, better line & heaps of fun, 4th run over confident on last corner & right into the "spin cycle" round & round & round, loads of grass & mud flying everywhere – BUT were there tears, NO, were we hurt, NO, was the car damaged, NO, was I terrified, YES, was I crying, NO – good heavens I was laughing (so was the instructor) & all I wanted to do was go again, to change that corner into a positive. Confidence allows us to push out of our comfort zones which is empowering & invigorating. Over confidence can sometimes make us come unstuck, which just means we go back a step, to reset. I didn't see this as a failure only an adjustment. Certainly not a reason to give up.

Can I say one of the biggest things for me throughout the whole day was worrying about what Neil, my husband would be thinking – was he embarrassed, was he worried about his car, was I making a fool of him & myself. NONE of those things happened, he had complete faith in the instructors & he was proud of me for having a go (I am sure a little worried about the car at times). At the dinner that night they gave out an inaugural award for Most Improved June 2012 Driver Training – BARB MONUMENT by a unanimous vote, I was gob smacked &

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speechless (that says it all really) but it made me realize too that our perception of ourselves can be quite different from that of others.



Chloe: " Yay, car ride... let's get there quickly mum!"

On the drive home I started to think how I kept relating this experience to my dog training & instructing.

In recent times I had been "very" unsuccessful with Obedience Trialing & Rally-O, training was fun & fulfilling for both Chloe & I, but as soon as we stepped through those "real" ring ropes "something" seemed to shift, it was no longer fun & I became unsettled, nervous & lost confidence in both of us. I tried different things to combat this "fear" to no avail, so made the decision, sadly, to give competing away. There seemed no point continuing to panic my dog & spoil the experience for her. After this weekend it is evident the only thing holding me back is me, so I now think back to those words of the weekend, "if you continue to do the SAME thing & it DOESN'T work, unless you CHANGE something it will always be the SAME. May be time to get back in the saddle & ask for some extra help.

As an instructor I am extremely proud of the work we do & our class members, the fact

they come week after week to do the best for their dogs & themselves, is, a testament of their commitment. As instructors it is important that we positively reinforce those in our classes just as we do with our dogs. Additionally we need to empower our members in the right way, which will give them confidence & allow them also to step out of their comfort zones & push a little more ONCE that foundation base is solid.

For our members, if we are pushing you a little, it is because we believe in you & your dog's capabilities.

LEAVE IT EXERCISE

by Dianne Atkins, Chief Instructor

This is an update to the way Hills Dog Club is teaching 'Leave it'. Please do yourself and your dog a favour by learning this well. In fact, teach it to your friends and family, you'll be their 'dog whisperer' and they'll appreciate your efforts. Tony

“Leave it” is one of the most valuable lessons to teach a dog. “Leave it” teaches your dog impulse control that can be useful in many situations, from food that has fallen on the floor, something your dog picks up on a walk, or to come away from another dog or animal or any object you do not want him to approach. Like the recall this is an important for their safety and should be taught very early on in your training program.

This is not a difficult exercise to teach, and we can make a game of it. Put a piece of food in the palm of your closed hand, and extend your hand towards the dog's nose and give the “LEAVE IT” cue. Keep your fingers closed around the food. It is vitally important that you do not move your hand away from the dog if he is pushing into your hand to

grab it. It is up to your dog to turn away from the food. Immediately he does, then mark it and using the cue “TAKE IT” reward the dog with the food in your hand.

Repeat this exercise daily until your dog does not attempt to take the food. When you are sure that your dog understands “LEAVE IT”, and does not attempt to eat the food you can use various other items of distraction – balls, toys etc to build impulse control.

After you have trained “LEAVE IT” and your dog understands what you mean, it is important to remember to go back to the basic training programme outlined above at least once a week and practice this exercise. If you get into the habit of saying “LEAVE IT”, “LEAVE IT” constantly, but do not go back to the training programme and reward your dog for leaving something, your cue will become completely ineffective.



We train we're fine come rain or shine

FOR NOTICE OF CLASS CANCELLATION

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Pages updated Monday 4pm & Tuesday 8:45am

MULTI DOG HOUSEHOLDS

by Narelle Brown

ONE DOG, TWO DOGS, THREE DOGS OR FOUR?

Let me preface this article by saying you do not need two dogs in the household, one dog can be incredibly happy on its own and love the fact that they are the special dog for the family. Some people worry that one dog can be lonely at home and want to get another dog - not for themselves but for their existing dog.



Relaxing on holidays - Syrus & Holly.

There are many households including my own where introducing a second dog required tactical responses and military precision in the first few months to keep the dogs apart and safe. It took six months of differing levels of separation to have them comfortable and working together. That 6 months was well worth the outcome where I could leave them together knowing they would be well behaved.

Now I am back to a single dog household I can see that there is a change in the energy in the house compared to two lively poodles being busy and interacting and engaging in play, in training and in producing lots of laughs.

For those members that have never had a problem with a number of dogs in the household - this article is not for you, you are obviously a long term multi-dog owner devoted to training and raising wonderful companion dogs. However, some members who have chosen to add an additional dog to their family are experiencing difficulties - so here we look at why:

A new dog is an unknown quantity, it is competition for food and your attention, for love and space.

Consider your dog's personality.

Dare I say it, some breeds are more likely to settle with a new dog in the household more easily than others. However, if you have a dog that is dominant, fearful, stressed or a dog that guards their space, guards their food or guards their owner you may have a problem with introducing another dog in the household. Please think twice about this and get expert advice.

Introduce safely.

Where possible meet a new dog outside the home several times - see how your dog reacts.

Have a playdate at your place and then keep the dog overnight - watch the interactions with toys, with the confines of space and food.

Gates in the house at first can separate the dogs. This can help the existing dog know that this new one is here to stay and there is no threat to his food, and it might be fun to have a buddy to play with every day.

Manage your Stress.

Be calm - the dogs will pick up on your tension or concern. Have a calm controlled voice, no yelling or screaming or over excitement.

Good training will help set the rules before the new dog comes into the house.

Training is important for your existing dog and the new one in the household. If the new dog does not know the rules - the boundaries will be broken which may have your other dog thinking "what the heck?" Things like sitting and waiting before the food is put down, waiting to be invited up onto the lounge. Not barking at the door. Not jumping over guests. Giving the ball when requested. Good recall - all the things we teach at the club!

Exercise and play safely.

Watch the play. You decide when play gets too much and intervene, distract the dogs, introduce new toys and safe play.

Have lots of space. *Praise your dog when he shares his toy, is gentle, ignores the new one or allows the new one to share his bed! Reward, reward, reward.*

I can remember the look I would get from one of my dogs when the other took his toy – I would just say “she’ll only have it for a moment just wait,” and she would be distracted and drop the toy and he would retrieve it again.



Tug-o-war - Rio & Ace

Don't let the interaction heighten to the point where there is going to be a fight. Throw a ball for one to the left and the other to the right. Go for lots of walks together, but also take the dogs out separately to ensure that there is no separation anxiety and that you build a relationship with the new dog just as strong as your existing one.

EXERCISE HELPS TO DESTRESS US AND THE DOGS – Tired dogs are less likely to get up to mischief.

Consider the size of the dogs you choose, especially if your current big dog could easily hurt a small furry breed. However, I have seen great relationships between a German Shepherd and a small Maltese and a Great Dane and Jack Russell.

You need to let the bigger or rougher dog know when it is too much – teach them to be gentle. You may teach the larger dog to drop so that the smaller dog gets to know them a little better and not at such a large standover height.

Equally teach the smaller one to stop if he is getting too much for the big dog to manage.

Big dogs may not like little dogs jumping and barking in their face. Think also of the senior dog who may find the energy of a frisky puppy too much. The older dog may just want some quiet time – notice this, be aware of this and manage the interaction.

Giving some time out to all the dogs might be good - for a while.

SOLVING PROBLEMS MAY NEED THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX!

Guarding the Bed. If you have 2 or 3 dogs that are fighting for space on the bed and there is not enough space for all. The first dog on the bed may guard the bed with snarling and gnashing – you may want to introduce crating or tying them on to their bed at night. Make sure each has their own special bed. Start a bedtime ritual. Train - “it’s bedtime” and the dogs go and settle on their beds. This way you manage the situation by your expectations, not the dogs’ expectations.

One dog finishing his own meal and chomping down the other’s food – Feed in separate areas – the baby gates may be helpful here.

OLD MYTHS

Some owners say you pat the oldest or the most dominant dog first, feed them first and so on.

Nowadays there is less of bowing to the highest member of the pack and more of treating them all the same – teach them what is acceptable in the household, so they know the rules from the start.

Do not punish; instead, teach your dogs appropriate behaviour. Individual dogs’ requirements may be different, depending on temperament and level of training. Of course, treat them the same in what matters most – love and your attention.

Nevertheless there are going to be some interactions from time to time – just like children with their brothers and sisters – some growling and pretend fighting, some rough play seems to be ok but you will know when this is getting out of hand.

Seek help from a vet or behaviour management specialist if the situation becomes dangerous.

In the back of my mind I can hear one incredibly wise trainer's advice – "Remember if we allow the dog to practice the behaviour it will become what they do and more difficult to change."

I have seen all sorts of dogs get along, old and young big and small – the best relationships are ones where good training has taken place and the rules are clear!

Narelle Brown Puppy 1 instructor Next time – "Bringing a Puppy Home"

Multi – Dog Households certainly involve increased financial costs for food, vet bills, insurance, grooming and extra time and commitment.

Some Councils also put a limit on the number of dogs or animals you have at a property.

At time of printing, Hills Shire Council limits dogs to:

Residential properties:

Dogs in excess of 25 Kilograms – 2 dogs

Dogs between 11 and 25 kilograms – 3 dogs

Dogs less than 11 kilograms – 4 dogs

Units and townhouses:

2 dogs less than 11 kilograms or 1 dog - otherwise with the written permission of the body corporate

Rural properties:

As appropriate to size of property

Dog kennels must be at least 450mm from a boundary fence

Please check laws applicable to your council.

WHERE DO WE GIVE THE REWARD?

by Pat Robards

I thought I might mention where I find it important to give my dog her reward as it is very very important, well I consider it is. Of course it depends on the level of training you wish to attain and accuracy - however where you treat can be very important in learning.

The trainer feeds wherever it benefits the training (which means the trainer). For example if Cindy is heeling I'll ask for a hand touch, give my marker word, briefly pausing when I reward her for her position which is nice and neat and close. I give her the goodies in the same position I marked, nice and neat and close. I am conditioning that area as a pleasant place to be.

I'll pause for a second as I mentioned so Cindy can taste and savor the treat, learning usually does not end with the click/bridge or marker word interestingly enough... although a few have written that it does - but dogs don't read very well! Something happens after you reward; learning ends after the consumption of the treat or a play with the tug/toy.

I never feed - especially a 'green' dog - out of the position I am trying to reinforce. Working on a sit the dog receives the goodies sitting. Same as heeling, my dog gets her goodies in heel position - down in the down position and so on. I've found "feeding for the position" one is trying to strengthen - strengthens the behaviour.



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The Creation Story as told by a Dog.

On the first day of creation, God created the dog.

On the second day, God created man to serve the dog.

On the third day, God created all the animals of the earth...

as potential food for the dog.

On the fourth day, God created honest toil so that man could...

labour for the good of the dog.

On the fifth day, God created the tennis ball so that the dog might or...

might not retrieve it.

On the sixth day, God created veterinary science to keep the dog...

healthy and the man at work.

On the seventh day, god tried to rest –

But he had to walk the dog.

author unknown



NOTICE IS GIVEN OF THE GENERAL MEETING

of Hills Dog Club Inc.

Notice,
different
building from
usual.

When: Wednesday **8 July 2020** - 7:30pm

Where: Harvey Lowe Pavilion at Castle Hill Showground.

Who: All club members are welcome to attend.

AGENDA

1. Open
2. Attendees and Apologies
3. Confirm previous minutes of general and any other meetings
4. Business arising from minutes
5. Correspondence
6. Treasurers Report
7. New Members
8. Chief instructors Report
9. Trial Secretary report
10. Show Secretary Re[port
11. Publicity Officer report
12. General Business.
13. Close



**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**

NOTE: NEW EMAIL ADDRESS!

**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.

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nights and online. All mem-
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NOTICE:
Election **Obedience- and
Rally Judges** will take place
at the general meeting
every **November**
Election of **Conformation
Judges** for the year **2022**
(April & 2 September shows)
to be announced.

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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 unwell 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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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND TROPHY PRESENTATION

OF THE HILLS DOG CLUB

Wednesday 22nd July 2020 in the Harvey Lowe Pavilion,
Castle Hill Showgrounds, Castle Hill
Commencing at 7:30 pm.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Open
2. Attendance and Apologies
3. Confirmation and acceptance of the minutes of the previous 2019 AGM
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report – including receipt and adoption of the balance sheets and accounts of the club for the previous year
6. Secretary's Report
7. Chief Instructor's Report
8. Any other business – received by the club in writing at least seven days prior
9. Appointment of Auditor
10. Election of Returning Officer
11. Election of Two Scrutineers
12. Declaration of all positions vacant – Scrutineer to take the chair and carry out the election of the next year's Committee
13. Meeting Close

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 2020 will be held.**

Hills Dog Club

Committee Nomination Form 2020

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, Taryn Gibbons or her Nominee, Mrs Anne Small at the office counter by 8.00 pm Tuesday 21st July, 2020 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]]