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WEB SITEwww.amcv.org.au**STATEMENT OF
PURPOSES**The objects of the Alaskan Malamute Club,
Victoria, Inc. are:

- a). to affiliate with the Victorian Canine Association Inc.;
- b). to promote and encourage the breeding of pure breed dogs and in particular the Alaskan Malamute.
- c). to promote and raise the standards and exhibition of registered pure breed dogs, particularly the Alaskan Malamute.
- d). to promote the holding of Exhibitions under the VCA Inc. Rules and Regulations and to conduct Exhibitions and/or promote Obedience training and to conduct Obedience training and to conduct Obedience Trials, Tracking Tests and Field Trials;
- e). to foster, promote and protect the interest of exhibitors of dogs at exhibitions and particularly the exhibitors of Alaskan Malamutes
- f). to collect, verify, and publish information relating to dogs and the breeding and exhibition of dogs;
- g). to educate and encourage members, breeders and judges to abide by the requirements and standards approved by the VCA Inc. for the conduct of Exhibitions and Shows;
- h). to promote good fellowship and sportsmanship amongst members and those participating in or attending at Exhibitions and Shows;
- i). to inform members of and make known to them the Laws and Regulations of the State relating to the ownership and care of dogs, and the responsibility of owners for the conduct and actions of their dogs;
- j). to hold functions and lectures relating to dogs and to the purpose of the Club generally;
- k). to provide awards and donate prizes for competitions at Exhibitions and for the competition by breeders and exhibitors of dogs;
- l). to foster relations with other clubs and bodies having similar aims;
- m). to promote and assist worthy causes, as agreed at a General Meeting of the members of the club;
- n). to invest the funds of the Club not immediately required in such a manner as the members or the Committee in lieu there of shall determine;
- o). to purchase, hire, lease, etc. and do such things as are conducive or incidental to promoting and achieving the purpose of the Club;
- p). to carry on such other activities or promote or encourage interest in breeding, upkeep and training of and the general well-being and improvement of Alaskan Malamutes and to do all such other things as may be necessary or conducive to carrying out the objects of the Club.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Welcome to the October edition of the Malamute Mail.

As many of you will have seen on either the AMCV Yahoo list, the Ozimals List, or the AMCV's Facebook Group, Sara Cartwright has tendered her resignation as secretary. Sandy Koch has seamlessly picked up the role once again, and my thanks go to both ladies.

Later in this edition you'll find a list of nominations received, to be voted on at our Annual General Meeting. At the time of writing this, I have not seen a list of who has nominated, but on behalf of all members, thank you to those who have offered to serve. I expect not all positions have attracted a nomination. If this is the case, please consider whether you have something to offer- nominations will be called for any unfilled positions, from the floor.

Thank you also to those who have served this past year but have chosen not to re- stand. Shellie Shewring has done an amazing job producing the Malamute Mail and has indicated she will not be re-standing. Fionna Paton has been a driving force in fund raising and has indicated she will not be re-standing. That means we need a Newsletter Editor, a Fund raiser, and Publicity and Education Officer, and a treasurer AT THE VERY LEAST! If you've been receiving this mag for years, and have some skills you can offer your fellow members, please give some serious consideration to putting your hand up. Our Club Rules require all Committee Members to be VCA members, so please bear this in mind.

Remember, if your dog has earned a title during the year and you have provided details, there'll be something for you to collect at the AGM, so please come along.

Our Specialty will shortly be held, and it remains the premier Specialty Show in Australia. I have no doubt our entry will be an extremely good one, and I'm looking forward to a memorable event. Good luck to all, and congrats t those who enjoy success.

We will also have enjoyed the Melbourne Royal, in the days leading up to our Specialty. Again, good luck, enjoy the day and well done to those in the ribbons.

One other highlight to be enjoyed is our premier weight pull event, the Tuggy Shield. The competition has been close and fierce (and fun!) all year, and it was great to see a HUGE entry on the day. It took over an hour of competition before we saw weight being added to the Trolley, we had that many entrants. It was fantastic to see the Am Staff club getting involved, and congrats to Bradley Acht and the amazing Shadow, who won the day with an incredible pull of 979 kilo's.

We're in for some fun, busy times! So we'll see you out and about. Enjoy your malamute!

Ian Luke
President

AMCV SCALE OF CHARGES

Membership

Joining fee	\$10.00
Single (VCA Member)	\$30.00
Non VCA	\$36.00
Double/Family (VCA Member)	\$35.00
Non VCA	\$48.00
Special Interstate (Non voting)	\$25.00

Other

"A" Suffix Application	\$5.00
Ch'd Certification	\$10.00
Working Dog Title Application	\$30.00

Malamute Mail Advertising

Member's rates:

Full page	\$30.00
Full Page - copy ready	\$20.00
Half Page	\$30.00
Half Page - copy ready	\$15.00
Quarter page	\$5.00
Eighth Page	per issue \$3.00
	or per year \$15.00

Stud Dog Register (1 year)	\$50.00
Breeders Directory (1 Year)	\$25.00
Puppy Register	\$25.00

Vale Notice (quarter page)	Free
<i>Normal rates apply for full and half pages</i>	

Non Members:

All advertising for non-members are double the rates listed above.

All Advertisers who pay for a years advertising will also have their ad placed onto the AMCV website at no extra cost!

DECEMBER 2011 ISSUE

Copy Deadline:
1st NOVEMBER 2011

If you have any letters, photos, or items of general interest to the members please email them to the Newsletter Editor,
Shellie Shewring

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WORKING DOG TITLES

For application forms for the AMCV Working Dog Titles, please contact the secretary or relevant co-ordinator. Please note that a \$30.00 application fee is payable upon submission of Working Dog Title applications. Applications must be submitted one month prior to the Annual General Meeting in order for awards to be presented at the AGM

NEW CHAMPIONS

Members whose Alaskan Malamutes have gained an Obedience Title, Australian Champion Title, Grand Champion Title or have become a 500 point Champion are eligible for a medallion from the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc. in recognition of their Malamutes achievement. To receive a medallion, members must send a copy of the relevant certificates to the Show Secretary, Sharen McPhan, 1665 Pound Road, Clyde North, Victoria, 3978 or email to sharen.mcphan@bigpond.com The medallions will be presented at the next Annual General Meeting. Notifications must be received prior to the 31st of August to enable the medallion to be engraved. If you need further details please contact the show secretary on the above address.

MOVING?

Change of address notifications must be made in writing to the Secretary at PO Box 6838, Shepparton VIC 3632, Australia

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, 13 October, 2011

7.30 pm

being held at the
Calabria Club

(Bulla Exhibition Centre)
5 Uniting Lane, Bulla

Melways Map Reference 177 G 8

**THE AGM WILL BE HELD AT THE
CONCLUSION OF THE SPECIAL
GENERAL MEETING**



Working Dog Titles

Congratulations to the following dogs for achieving Working Dog Titles:

- Working Team Dog - Tanome Get Off Of My Cloud. "Millie" owned by Sharen McPhan
- Working Team Dog - Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain. "Brock" owned by Sharen McPhan.
- Working Weight Pull Title - Tanome Jaek O Diamonds. "Jaek" owned by Sharen McPhan



← Photo thanks to Jennifer Cornell

2011 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Please note that this calendar is subject to amendment at the discretion of the AMCV Committee and that scheduling of some events may be altered due to temperature restrictions. Please contact the AMCV or check the website to confirm event schedule & venues

Month	Day	Date	Activity	Event	Venue
OCTOBER	Sunday	2	<i>Showing</i>	<i>AMCV Championship Show</i>	<i>KCC Park</i>
	Thursday	13	Meeting	Annual General / Committee	Bulla
	Sunday	16	Weight Pull	Weight Pull Competition 4	KCC Park
	Saturday	22	Backpacking	Day Hike 4	Toolangi
	Sat -Mon	29-31	Backpacking	3-day Hike	TBA
NOVEMBER	Sunday	6	<i>Publicity / Education</i>	<i>Nillumbik Pet Expo</i>	<i>Diamond Creek</i>
	Sunday	13	Show Activities Obedience	Open Show Activities Introduction & Breed Info Obedience Practice & Puppy Socialising	Bulla
	Tuesday	15	Meeting	Committee / General (if required)	Bulla
	Sunday	27	Christmas Fun Day	Includes BBQ, Funny classes & Agility Comp	Mt Macedon

NB: *Italics denotes dates to be confirmed* Shading denotes School Holidays or Public Holidays

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EXTREME WEATHER POLICY & RESTRICTIONS: Please note that temperature restrictions apply to some activities. In addition, events may be cancelled if forecast temperature on day of event is equal to or greater than 30°C, or in extreme weather conditions unless otherwise indicated. Please phone or email to confirm.



MEMBERS PIX



Miss Chardy owned by Mel Curran would like to thank Windchill Dog Gear for her gorgeous new pink harness!

From the Secretary

Change of Address:

Please note the change of postal address for the AMCV to PO Box 41, Hurstbridge 3099.

General Meeting Treasurer's Report:

The minutes and Treasurers' report for the General Meeting held on 28 July 2011 can be downloaded from the Members' page of the AMCV website: www.amcv.org.au/members.html

August Malamute Mail:

Could any new members who have not received their Members' Information Booklet or August Newsletter, or any renewed members who have not received their August newsletter, please email me at amcv@bigpond.com.au

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, 13 October, 2011

Commencing at 7.30 pm

being held at the Calabria Club
(Bulla Exhibition Centre) 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla
Melways Map Reference 177 G 8

AGENDA

1. Apologies
 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting
 3. Correspondence
 4. Treasurer's Report
 5. Vice Presidents' & Co-ordinators' Reports:
 6. General Business
 - 6.1. Proposed amendments to guidelines for Puppy Register
(see Notice of Motion 6.1)
 - 6.2. Proposed amendments to guidelines for Puppy Register for
Breeders' Directory (see Notice of Motion 6.2)
 - 6.3. Proposed amendments to guidelines for Puppy Register for
Stud Dog Register (see Notice of Motion 6.3)
 - 6.4. Proposed amendments to AMCV Club Rules – Membership
categories (see Notice of Motion 6.4)
 - 6.5. Proposed amendment to AMCV Club Rules – Committee
Positions (see Notice of Motion 6.5)
 7. Any other business
- The Special General Meeting is to be followed immediately by the
Annual General Meeting*

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, 13 October, 2011

to commence at the conclusion of the
Special General Meeting being held at the
(Bulla Exhibition Centre) 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla
Melways Map Reference 177 G 8

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Appointment of Returning Officer and 2 Scrutineers
3. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
(as published in the December, 2010 Malamute Mail)
4. Correspondence
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Committee Reports
7. Award Presentations
 - Show & Obedience titles
 - Register of Achievement
 - Working Dog Titles
 - Sled Dog & Driver Point Score Competition
 - State Cup Race
 - Top Weight-Pull Dog Competition
8. Election of office bearers and committee members

***Members are invited to bring along a
plate of food for supper.***

NOTICES OF MOTION

6.1 Puppy Register:

Motion: That, in addition to current requirements, the guidelines for litters registered on the Puppy Register be amended to require the Sire and Dam:

- be x-rayed for elbow dysplasia and passed.*
- hold a current (issued no later than 12 months prior to mating) ACES eye certificate or equivalent, and
- have within 12 months prior to mating been tested for thyroid including for TGAA, with such test results to indicate the dog is clear of thyroid problems.

**elbow x-ray results will not be required from dogs that have already been hip x-rayed before 1 January 2012.*

Moved by the AMCV Committee

6.2 Breeders Directory:

Motion: That, in addition to current requirements, guidelines for the Breeder's Directory be amended to require members advertising on the Breeder's Directory to only use breeding stock that has:

- been x-rayed for hip dysplasia and passed
- been x-rayed for elbow dysplasia and passed*
- hold a current (issued no later than 12 months prior to mating) ACES eye certificate or equivalent, and
- have within 12 months prior to mating been tested for thyroid including for TGAA, with such test results to indicate the dog is clear of thyroid problems.

**elbow x-ray results will not be required from dogs that have already been hip x-rayed before 1 January 2012.*

Moved by the AMCV Committee

6.3 Stud Dog Register:

Motion: That, in addition to current requirements, the guidelines for inclusion in the Stud dog Registry be amended to require dogs included in the registry to have:

- been x-rayed for hip dysplasia and passed
- been x-rayed for elbow dysplasia and passed*
- hold a current (issued no later than 12 months prior to mating) ACES eye certificate or equivalent, and
- have within 12 months prior to mating been tested for thyroid including for TGAA, with such test results to indicate that the dog is clear of thyroid problems.

**elbow x-ray results will not be required from dogs that have already been hip x-rayed before 1 January 2012.*

Moved by the AMCV Committee

6.4 AMCV Club Rules – Membership Categories:

Motion: That the definition of a Junior Member in the AMCV Club Rules be amended mean a member under the age of 18 years and that the Family membership be amended to read "Family Member – Includes parent(s) and any number of children under 18 years of age residing at the one address".

Moved by Dale Luke

6.5 AMCV Club Rules – Committee Positions

Motion: That the Publicity/Education Officer be made a separate role from Fundraising/Social coordinator.

Moved by the AMCV Committee

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE BEARERS

President:	Ian Luke	Fundraising Officer:	No Nominations Received
Vice President - Breed Welfare:	No Nominations Received	Obedience Co-Ordinator:	No Nominations Received
Vice President – Activities:	No Nominations Received	Malamute Health Officer:	Shelley Turner
Secretary/Public Officer:	Sandy Koch	Show Secretary:	Sharen McPhan
Treasurer:	No Nominations Received	Backpacking Co-Ordinator:	No Nominations Received
Newsletter Editor:	No Nominations Received	Sledding Co-Ordinator:	Colin McPhan
Referral & Puppy Registrar:	Ralph Koch	Weightpull Co-Ordinator:	Di Mitchell
Publicity & Education Officer:	No Nominations Received		

Nominations will be invited from the floor for those positions for which there are no nominees.

AGM AWARDS PRESENTATION

The following awards will be presented at the Annual General Meeting on 13 October. It would be much appreciated if all award recipients could be at the AGM to receive their awards.

REGISTER OF ACHIEVEMENT (ROA)

Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull WWPD WTD WPDx - S Vanderpol
Ch Tanome King of the Mountain ET WTD – S McPhan

NEW CHAMPIONS

Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull - S Vanderpol
Ch Windchill Tamambo Tanane – R & S Koch
Ch Tanome King of the Mountain ET - S McPhan

ENDURANCE TITLE

Ch Tanome King of the Mountain ET - S McPhan

ANNUAL WEIGHT PULL COMPETITION

Under 36 kg Class:

1st: Wilfred – *Ch Katakū Hurricane Wilfred*, Ian Luke
 2nd: Paddy – *Thomla Sweet Skykat*, Di Mitchell
 3rd: Daisy – *Thomla Sweet Oopsadaisy*, Ian Luke

36-45 kg Class:

1st: Shadow – *Katakū All Shadow*, Bradley Acht
 2nd: Jai – *Tanome Kiss Thiss*, Sharen McPhan
 3rd: Billy - *Ch Qannik Sno Luck*, Stewart Cumming & Linda Hewat

MOST IMPROVED WEIGHT PULL DOG

Daisy – *Thomla Sweet Oopsadaisy* – Ian Luke

TOP WEIGHT PULL DOG OF THE YEAR

Wilfred – *Ch Katakū Hurricane Wilfred* – Ian Luke

WORKING DOG TITLES

Title	Dog's Name	Owners
Working Pack Dog	Thomla Sweet Skykat (Paddy)	Di Mitchell
Working Pack Dog	Ch Katakū Hurricane Wilfred (Willy)	Ian Luke
Working Pack Dog	Thomla Sweet Oops a Daisy (Daisy)	Ian Luke
Working Pack Dog	Niltaran Ernace Kirabo (Keira)	Niltaran Kennels
Working Pack Dog	Niltaran Ernace Tungulra (Felix)	Niltaran Kennels
Working Pack Dog Excellent	Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull (Jethro)	Stuart Vanderpol
Working Team Dog	Thomla Sweet Oops a Daisy (Daisy)	Ian Luke
Working Team Dog	Ch Tanome King of the Mountain (Brock)	Sharen McPhan
Working Team Dog	Tanome Get Off Of My Cloud (Millie)	Sharen McPhan
Working Weight Pull Dog	Thomla Sweet Skykat (Paddy)	Di Mitchell
Working Weight Pull Dog	Tanome Jack O Diamonds (Jack)	Sharen McPhan
Working Weight Pull Dog	Katakū All Shadow (Shadow)	Bradley Acht
Working Weight Pull Dog Excellent	Ch Katakū Hurricane Wilfred (Willy)	Ian Luke
Working Weight Pull Dog Excellent	Tanome Kiss Thiss (Jai)	Sharen McPhan

If you have submitted your application for one of these awards and your dog's name does not appear on the awards list, please notify Sandy Koch immediately on 9714 8540 or by email to amcv@bigpond.com. Thank you.

2011 WEIGHT PULL EVENTS

ENTRIES TAKEN ON THE DAY ALL BREEDS WELCOME

VENUE: KCC Park – Westernport Highway (Dandenong–Hastings Road), Skye
Melways Map Reference 128 H 12

WEIGHTPULL EVENT FORMAT & SCHEDULE: Events will be conducted as per AMCV Weight–Pulling rules – copies of the rules are available on the AMCV website at www.amcv.org.au or from the Weight–pull Co–ordinator. Competitors are asked to arrive in plenty of time to register, weigh–in and organise equipment if necessary. The AMCV have weight pull harnesses available in a range of sizes that competitors can borrow for the event. Competitors are welcome to practice in the weight–pull chute prior to commencement of the event.

ELIGIBILITY: Any dog over 18 months of age (but not bitches in season) may compete in an AMCV weight–pull event, however please note that only purebred, ANKC–registered Alaskan Malamutes are eligible to compete for major prizes and annual awards, and the competing Malamute's registered name and registration number must be included on this entry form. Trophies or ribbons awarded to all class winners and placings (all breeds)

ENTRY FEES:

Entries will be taken on the day – no pre–entry required

AMCV MEMBERS:

First entry \$8.00, subsequent entries \$6.00.

NON-MEMBERS:

First entry \$12.00, subsequent entries \$10.00



***NOTE – Event will be cancelled if forecast temperature on day of competition is equal to or greater than 25°C.**



WEIGHT CLASSES:

Up to 36 kg class

36 – 45 kg class

46 – 55 kg class

Unlimited class

NB: Dog's weight is rounded down to nearest whole kilogram to determine weight class.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Ph: Di Mitchell on 0439 540 981 or Stuart Vanderpol 0413 118 305

EVENT	DATE	VENUE	REGISTRATION / WEIGH-IN	START TIME
Event 4*	Sunday, 16th October	KCC Park	9.45 – 10.15 am	10.30 am

* Event 4 - October 17th 2010 will count towards the 2011 Annual Weight–Pull Competition.

* Event 4 - October 16th 2011 will count towards the 2012 Annual Weight Pull Competition.

Extreme Weather Policy

Please note that a temperature restriction applies to this activity. In addition, events may be cancelled in extreme weather conditions. Please phone or email to confirm if you are unsure.

2011 ANNUAL WEIGHTPULL COMPETITION RULES

CLASSES ON OFFER WILL BE:

< 36kg, 36kg – 45kg, 45kg – 55kg, Unlimited

The requirements of the AMCV Weight Pulling Rules apply – copies are available from the Weightpull Co–ordinator or website www.amcv.org.au.

ELIGIBILITY

For a dog to be eligible for the Annual Weightpull Class Titles and Top Weightpull Dog of the Year award, the following applies:

- the owner/handler of the dog must be a current financial member at the time of the event for that result to be eligible;
- the dog must be a purebred ANKC registered Alaskan Malamute;
- the owner/handler must provide the dog's registered name and registration number on the entry form.

In addition, to constitute an event in a class there must be a minimum of two (2) eligible competitors in that class. If, during the course of the year, there are less than two (2) eligible competitors in a weight category no award will be given, however that dog may still be eligible for the Top Weightpull Dog of the Year award.

CLASS AWARDS

Class awards will be determined on the basis of a dog's highest three (3)* weights pulled in that weight class out of the maximum four (4)

eligible events*. A dog that has competed in less than three (3) events is not excluded from eligibility for class awards. Annual awards will be provided for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each eligible weight class. In the event of a tie, a joint award will be provided.

TOP WEIGHTPULL DOG OF THE YEAR AWARD

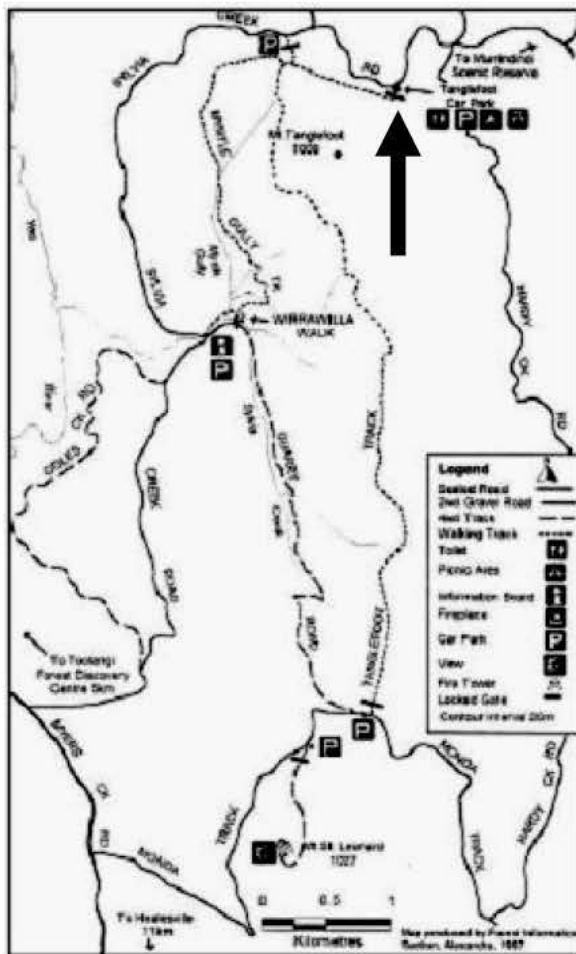
The Top Weightpull Dog of the Year title will be awarded to that dog that has achieved the highest combined weight/weight ratio calculated from that dog's best three (3) results* achieved in any of the weight classes from the four (4) eligible events*. Results will be calculated to 2 (two) decimal places. In the event of a tie a joint award will be provided.

NOMINATED EVENTS

The events in which results are eligible towards the end of the year awards are listed in the Activities Calendar in the Malamute Mail and on the AMCV website www.amcv.org.au. Please note that the event schedule is subject to amendment at the discretion of the AMCV and that weather restrictions may apply. Weightpull event results will be published in the Malamute Mail or can be obtained from the Weightpull Co–ordinator.

*Subject to amendment in the event of changes to the event schedule

BACKPACKING – 1 DAY HIKE



SATURDAY , 22 OCTOBER

Tanglefoot Car Park - Sylvia Creek Road, near Toolangi

Hike starting at 8.30 am sharp

Please register by 8.00 am

Hike Distance: Approximately 16 km

This hike has some moderately steep hills

Please notify James if you are interested in coming in case the event is cancelled or venue is changed.

How to get there: From Healesville take the St Leonards Road (Myers Creek Road) towards Toolangi (approx. 15 km) and turn right into Sylvia Creek Road, or turn left if coming from Toolangi. Continue on Sylvia Creek Road for approximately 9 km to the Tanglefoot Carpark. The parking area is in a bend on the right side of the road.

Please arrive early and allow yourself plenty of time to weigh in your dog and get ready.

What to bring: Sturdy lead & collar, canine backpack, weight for the backpack (pre-weighed), water & water bowl for your dog, basic first aid items, rubbish bags, sensible footwear, warm & waterproof clothing (the weather can be unpredictable), human backpack, food & drink, sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, etc. Please load and weigh your dog's backpack to roughly the correct weight at home, this will save time on the morning of the walk.



Who can participate:

DOGS MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 12 MONTHS OLD TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HIKE. Dogs must be 18 months old to carry weight to the Working Pack Dog title standard.

ALL BREEDS WELCOME – any reasonably fit, healthy dog over 1 year of age may participate. You don't have to walk the entire distance, and your dog does not have to have a backpack or carry the entire weight – it's up to you, and your dog.

NOTE: A first aid kit will be on hand, but walkers must carry their own basic first aid items. Dogs are to be kept on lead at all times and remain the responsibility of their owner/handler.

NOTE: THE EVENT MAY BE CANCELLED IF THE FORECAST TEMPERATURE IS 25°C OR OVER, OR IN EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS.

If in doubt please contact the Backpacking Co-ordinator the day before the hike

Cost:

\$3.00 per member
or \$5.00 per Family

Backpack Hire:

\$5.00 per day – please contact
co-ordinator to per book a club backpack

Facilities:

Bush toilet, Picnic tables at carpark

**For further information contact James Ganson on (03) 5968 9478 or 0409 939 211
or by Email to James.Ganson@bigpond.com.au**

Working Pack Dog Title:

This backpacking day will be a qualifying event for the Working Pack Dog title and Associate Working Dog Certificate. The rules for the Working Pack Dog title are available from the Backpacking Co-ordinator.

You will require a sturdy backpack which is sufficiently large to hold the required weights. The weight should be made up of something that is dense yet can mould to the shape of your dog: bags of damp sand and/or a soft pack of water (similar to the bladder of a wine cask) are suitable. Anyone attempting a walk should also carry a backpack containing some basic first aid items (dog & human), food (dog & human), drink (dog & human), water bowl and wet weather gear (as the weather dictates).

Your dog must carry 30% of its body weight for a minimum of 16 km for a walk to count towards the title - a dog weighing 40 kg would therefore have to carry 12 kg of weight, which is the equivalent of 12 litres of water. This is too much weight for an untrained and/or unfit dog to be

expected to carry. Obviously you will need to train your dog, gradually adding more weight, before you can consider tackling the full load, and your dog will need to be fit and in excellent physical condition.

The only decrease in the weight carried by the dog on a backpacking trip may be by NORMAL consumption of food or water by your dog. What your dog doesn't drink must get poured back into the container he is carrying, and the final pack weight must be no less than 75% of the initial pack weight.

Please watch your dog carefully for signs of stress, and please remove the weight from his pack and shorten your walk if you feel that he is not coping well. You know your dog best, and it is up to you to recognise and act appropriately if he is struggling.



Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc.
**Cup Weekend
 WPDX HIKE**

Saturday 29th – Monday 31st October 2011

Venue: to be advised

This is a 3 day hike to the WPDX standard
 Total distance approx. 70 km

Hikers must pre-register with the Backpacking Co-ordinator

Venue & Time:

Please contact the Backpacking co-ordinator for details of the starting point and time

It will be an early start so those participating are asked to arrive early to allow enough time to weigh dogs & packs and get ready.

Who can participate?

Dogs must be a minimum of 24 months old. Dogs over 7 years old must have proof of vet check. All members and dogs that have successfully completed at least one leg of their WPD requirement are welcome to participate.

What you will need*:

Hikers must be self-sufficient. Items you will require include the following:

Human backpack, tent, sleeping bag, sensible footwear (hiking boots recommended), sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, first-aid kit, warm & waterproof clothing (the weather can be unpredictable), rubbish bags & 3-4 days of provisions for the entire 3 days.

For your dog: Sturdy lead & collar, canine backpack, towel, weight for the backpack, 3-4 days of food, water & water bowl, first-aid items.

If you have a rough idea of the weight of your dog, please load and pre-weigh your backpack at home to save time on the morning of the walk. (The idea is for the dog to not carry sand as the weight but non consumable human items you would/may be carrying, i.e. tent, first aid kit, torch, dry sneakers, as well as dog food and water)

**This is a guide only and is not intended as a complete list*



NOTE: Walkers must carry their own basic first aid items. Dogs are to be kept on lead at all times and remain the responsibility of their owner/handler.

**PLEASE CONTACT THE BACKPACKING
 CO-ORDINATOR
 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
 IF YOU ARE THINKING OF ATTENDING.**

James Ganson - Phone (03) 5968 9478 or 0409 939 211
 Email: amcv@bigpond.com.au



Working Pack Dog (WPD) Title:

This backpacking event will be a qualifying event for the Working Pack Dog Excellent title. Dogs and handlers must have successfully completed at least one day hike to the WPD standard and dogs must be at least 24 months old to participate to WPDX standard.

- The dog's weight and the weight of his pack must be verified by an impartial witness or trip official prior to the start of the trip. The dog shall carry an initial load of at least 30% of his body weight. The weight carried shall not decrease except by normal consumption of items such as food or water.
- Pack trips shall be backcountry trips with the dogs carrying equipment necessary for the trip. Backcountry is a remote area, inaccessible and unsuited to vehicular traffic at the time of the trip, where support and aid is not generally available. Campouts will be necessary due to the distance requirements. Campouts will take place in the backcountry, not at trailheads, roadside

campgrounds and the like. Suitable locations for pack trips are National Forests, Parks, hiking and undeveloped natural terrain.

- A total of 193 kilometres shall be completed in 1 to 3 trips.
- Each trip shall be a minimum of 64 kilometres with an average of 16 kilometres per day on travelling days under normal conditions such as maintained trails and normal weather conditions. Day trips from the base camp must adhere to the weight requirements unless the applicant does not wish to include those kilometres in the trip total.
- Because some trips will take place in mountainous terrain, each 305 metres of elevation gain may be substituted for a 1.6km of the total kilometres requirement.

Entries Close Friday 21st October, 2011

Alaskan Malamute Club Victoria, Inc.

Open Show

To be held at

Bulla Exhibition Centre, Uniting Lane, Bulla

Sunday, 13th November, 2011

JUDGE: Mr Peter Frost

Entries, accompanied by the Fees, to be sent to the Show Secretary
Ms Sharen McPhan, 1665 Pound Road, Clyde North, 3978. Ph: 0410 192 210
 Cheques to be made payable to **The Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc.**

Catalogue: \$3.00 please order and pay with entry

Entry fees – per class : \$7.00 (includes all levies). Special Classes \$2.50 per class, 5 entries or more \$2.00 each. Entries not accepted without fees. Desexed Classes \$5.00

Judging Times: Judging commences at 10.00am with Breed Classes. Special Classes after General Specials.

Fixture Closes: 5 pm

Exhibit Numbers: A stamped addressed envelope must be enclosed for return of exhibit numbers, otherwise exhibit numbers are to be collected from the Show Secretary on the day of the Fixture.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES:

Dogs: **1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 21** Bitches: **1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 11a, 21a**

SPECIAL CLASSES:

18 Best Desexed Dog	26 Best Coat: Bitch
18a Best Desexed Bitch	27 Best Head: Dog
24 Best Gait	28 Best Head: Bitch
25 Best Coat: Dog	30 Best Tail

Baby Puppies may only compete against other Baby Puppies and are not eligible for Special Classes

Champion Class - The winners of these classes are not eligible to compete for Best Dog, Best Bitch, or Best of Breed, therefore can only compete for Best Champion in Show. The Champion class shall be judged first.

Classes 18 & 18a: Desexed dogs and bitches can only compete in this class.

Classes 24 to 30: To compete in Special Classes 24 to 30 exhibits must be entered and compete in at least one ordinary class – Champions may compete in these classes.

Special Prizes: Trophy and sash will be awarded to Best Exhibit, Runner up to Best Exhibit, Best of each Class. Sashes only will be awarded to Best Opposite Sex of each class and for all Property class winners. Trophy list incomplete (refer catalogue for full details)

Information & Activities Day



Sledding



Showing



Weight Pulling



Backpacking

Sunday, 13 November - 11.30 am – 1.30 pm

Bulla Exhibition Centre - Calabria Club, 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla

Melways Map Reference 177 F8

Being held in conjunction with Obedience & Puppy Socialising
& the AMCV Open Show

The Information and Activities Days are an ideal opportunity for those who would like to find out more about the Alaskan Malamute breed and what's involved in showing, obedience training, backpacking, weight pulling & sledding, and how to get started.

You do not need your own equipment – we will have equipment that you can borrow to try the activities. The Dog Shop will be there with harnesses, dog-lines, collars, backpacks and other working-dog and Malamute related items for sale.

Further Information:

Phone Stuart on 0413 118 305 or Sandy on 9714 8540, Email: amcv@bigpond.com



Non-members and other breeds all welcome

Extreme Weather Policy

Please note that this event may be cancelled if forecast temperature on day of event is equal to or greater than 30°C, or in extreme weather conditions.

If unsure, please check the website www.amcv.org.au, phone or email to confirm.



Obedience & Puppy Socialising



Agility practice

OBEDIENCE PRACTICE & PUPPY SOCIALISING

The AMCV will also be conducting Obedience Practice sessions & Puppy Socialising on the same day at the same venue commencing at 11.00 am.

All Welcome - do your dog a favour and come along!

CHRISTMAS FUN DAY

SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER
COMMENCING APPROXIMATELY 11AM

DAYS PICNIC GROUND
LIONS HEAD ROAD, MT MACEDON
MEL REF - 609 G10

DIRECTIONS: From Melbourne:

Follow the Calder Hwy past Gisbourne. Take the Macedon/Mt Macedon turn off and turn right at the T-intersection, heading under the Fwy. Continue straight ahead at the roundabout and stay on the Mount Macedon Road, continue through the Mt Macedon township. Not far past the turnoff to the Camels Hump, turn right towards Sanatorium Lake / Barringo Road and take the left fork into Lions Head Road. The AMCV will be setting up at the far end of the picnic ground - Look for the club Banner.

SANTA WILL STOP BY!!!!

Plus there will be a Raffle, games and prizes, great canine gifts available from our dog shop and you can enter your dog in our games, fun agility competition and other exciting events



WHAT TO BRING:

ALL THE FAMILY, INCLUDING DOGS & KIDS!!!! BYO plate, cutlery, drinks, dessert & chair. Remember to bring something to reliable tether your dog with (stake & chain), water, food, bowl and something to provide shade for your dog. All breeds are welcome.

THE CLUB WILL BE PROVIDING A SAUSAGE SIZZLE, BREAD & SALADS

COST: MEMBERS - FREE NON MEMBERS \$5



* ALL WELCOME *
BRING YOUR
DOGS!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE PHONE SANDY ON 9714 8540



VALE



Sampson

On the 5th July at 10 ½ years young on the day of a very severe earthquake, Sampson lost his brave battle with bone cancer, that insidious disease that strikes both humans and our animal friends without a lot of warning. Sampson loved his weight and bike pulling, always giving his best - he even rounded up some cattle on the farm one day. Your friendly smile and malamute-howl to welcome people and other dogs will always be remembered - our front gate is now deserted and silent. We miss that large figure standing there to welcome us when we return .



*Run Free Sampson.
Robin & David Bourke.*

FIRTH PARK HIKE

Wombat State Forest – 3 September

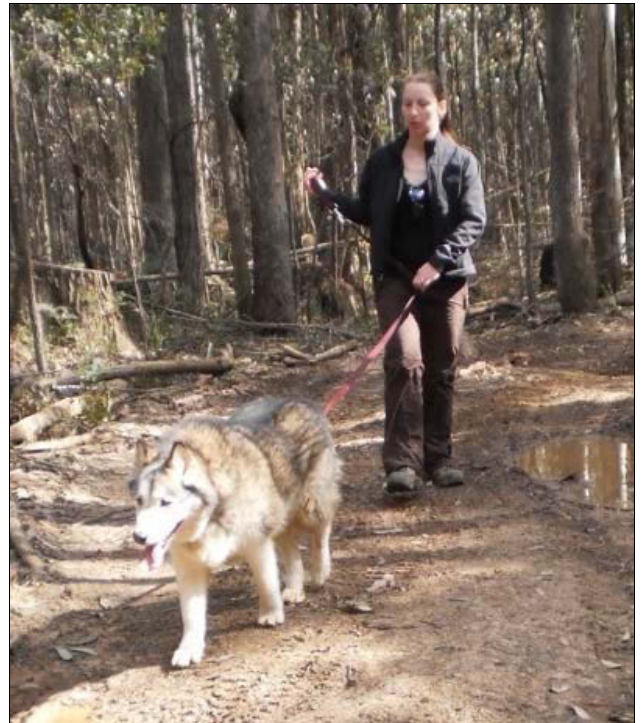
Six hikers and their Malamutes came along to Firth Park for our annual Wombat Forest Day hike. Congratulations to James and Ernie for completing a leg towards Ernie’s Working Pack Dog title, and also to Kelly & Courtney with Sass, Sue with Max, Stuart with Jethro and Sandy with Buffy for completing the hike just for fun.



Stuart Vanderpol & Jethro



James Ganson & Ernie



Kelly Byrne & Sass



Sue Williams & Max

Next Hike:

Saturday, 22 October

Tanglefoot Picnic Ground (near Toolangi)

Details elsewhere in this issue



James & Ernie, Sandy & Buffy, followed by Kelly & Sass

State Cup Race - 16/17 July 2011 – One Eye

1-Dog Distance: 3 x 3.6 km

Place	Name	Dog(s)	Heat 1 Time (h:m:s)	Heat 2 Time (h:m:s)	Heat 3 Time (h:m:s)	Total Time	Kph	Point Score	Windchill Factor
1	Stuart Vanderpol	Jethro	0:11:32	0:12:58	0:13:20	0:37:50	17.1	100	100.0
2	Heidi Price*	Milo (GSP)	0:12:36	0:12:24	0:12:54	0:37:54	17.1		99.8
3	Di Mitchell	Paddy	0:13:25	0:12:30	0:13:48	0:39:43	16.3	99	95.3
4	Ralph Koch	Buffy	0:13:07	0:12:58	0:14:10	0:40:15	16.1	98	94.0
5	Joedy Neeleman	Sienna	0:20:45	0:22:38	0:22:06	1:05:29	9.9	97	57.8

2-Dog Distance: 3 x 6.0 km

1	Ian Luke	Daisy Wilfred	0:22:11	0:25:41	0:25:18	1:13:10	14.8	100	100.0
2	Sharen McPhan	Brock Millie	0:26:55	0:27:21	0:28:38	1:22:54	13.0	99	88.3
3	Jo Winther	Hamish Jazz	0:27:51	0:27:01	0:29:19	1:24:11	12.8	98	86.9
4	Ralph Koch	Ellie Gus	0:26:38	0:27:50	0:29:58	1:24:26	12.8	97	86.7
-	E'vette Levett	Argos Eden	0:24:14	0:26:38	DNF				

4-Dog Distance: 3 x 6.0 km

1	Colin McPhan	Jack Jai Shelby	0:23:56	0:27:05	0:30:24	1:21:25	13.3	100	100.0
2	Vaughan Winther	Buckley Gabby Jet	0:28:12	0:32:39	0:35:54	1:36:45	11.2	99	84.2
3	E'vette Levett	Bridie (SL) Betty Sasha	0:30:48	0:34:47	0:37:55	1:43:30	10.4	98	78.7

Veteran

Place	Class	Name	Dog(s)	Time (min/sec)
1	1-dog	Stuart Vanderpol	Jasper	6:40
2	1-dog	E'vette Levett	Genna	7:27
3	1-dog	Jo Winther	Boof	8:08
1	2-dog	Di Mitchell	Chloe / Leah	7:15

Junior, Pee Wee & Mini Pee-Wee

Class	Name	Age	Dog(s)
Mini Pee Wee	Tyler McPhan	4	Maxine
Pee Wee	Ella	11	Bridie
Pee Wee	Josh Winther	10	Panda
Junior	Laura Luke	12	Sugar
Junior	Jess Winther	12	Diesel

Touring

Place	Class	Name	Dog(s)	Time (min/sec)
1	1-dog	Joedy Neeleman	Rocky	4:41
2	1-dog	Ralph Koch	Angel	5:09
1	2-dog	Ian Luke	Sugar / Sam	DNF



Ian, Daisy & Wilfred



Sharen, Brock & Millie



Jo, Jazz & Hamish



Vaughan, Jet, Gabby & Buckley



Stuart & Jethro



Di & Paddy



Ralph & Buffy



Colin, Jack, Jai & Shelby

Excursion Event – 23 July 2011 – Knowsley

Excursion Distance: 16.3 km

Name	Dog(s)	Total Time h:mm	Kph
Ian Luke	Daisy Wilfred	1:20	12.2
Sharen McPhan	Brock Millie	1:25	11.5

Excursion Event - 27 August 2011 – You Yangs

Excursion Distance: 17.4 km

Name	Dog(s)	Total Time h:mm:ss	Kph
Sharen McPhan	Brock & Millie	1:34:47	11.01



Photos thanks to Jennifer Cornell and Joedy Neeleman

SLEDDING POINT SCORE

1-Dog – Best 4 out of 7 results											
Place	Name	Dogs	14 May	15 May	4 June	5 June	2 July	3 July	State Cup	Total	Best 4
1	Stuart Vanderpol	Jethro	100	100	99	99	100	99	100	697	400
2	Ralph Koch	Buffy	96	98	98	98	98	96	98	682	392
2	Di Mitchell	Paddy	97	97	97	96	99	97	99	682	392
4	Chris Stacey	Kayla	94	96	95	95				380	380
4	Joedy Neeleman	Sienna	90	89	91	91	97	95	97	650	380
6	Fred Parker	Spike	92	92	92	94				370	370
7	Catherine Lawson	Heidi	91	90	90	89				360	360
8	Stewart Cumming	Timber			100	100		100		300	300
9	Linda Hewat	Timber	99	99						198	198
10	Vaughan Winther	Gabby	98	95						193	193
11	Jo Winther	Hamish			96	93				189	189
12	Sharen McPhan	Brock	95	93						188	188
13	Jo Winther	Jett	93	94						187	187
14	Mick Hodgson	Ralfie			93	92				185	185
15	Ross Belyea	Elwoode		91		90				181	181
16	Kevin Ryan	Asher			89	88				177	177
17	Ian Luke	Wilfred						98		98	98
18	Sharen McPhan	Jai				97				97	97
19	Catherine Lawson	Spike					96			96	96
20	Fred Parker	Heidi					95			95	95
21	Colin McPhan	Brock			94					94	94
22	Stewart Cumming	Billy		88						88	88
22	Steve Cartwright	Shiloh			88					88	88

2-Dog – Best 4 out of 7 results											
	Name	Dogs	14 May	15 May	4 June	5 June	2 July	3 July	State Cup	Total	Best 4
1	Ian Luke	Daisy Wilfred	100	100			99		100	399	399
2	Jo Winther	Jazz Hamish	98	99			98	99	98	492	394
3	E'vette Levett	Eden Argos			97	100	95	100		392	392
4	Ralph Koch	Gus Ellie	95	97	98	98	97	98	97	680	391
5	Sharen McPhan	Brock Millie					96	97	99	292	292
6	Vaughan Winther	Gabby Jet			100	99				199	199
6	Justin Celentane	Ice Miki	99				100			199	199
8	Colin McPhan	Jai Shelby	96	98						194	194
9	Sara Cartwright	Tuscan Asia			96	97				193	193
10	Stephen Cartwright	Tuscan Asia	94	96						190	190
11	Sharen McPhan	Jai Shelby			99					99	99
13	Stewart Cumming	Baloo Billy	97							97	97

4-Dog - Best 3 out of 5 results									
	Name	Dogs	4 June	5 June	2 July	3 July	State Cup	Total	Best 3
1	Colin McPhan	Jack Jai Shelby			100	100	100	300	300
2	Vaughan Winter	Buckley Jet Gabby			99	99	99	297	297
3	E'vette Levett	Bridie Betty Sasha	100	DNF	98	98	98	394	296
4	Ian Luke	Daisy Wilfred Sugar	DNF	100				100	100

BROCK'S STORY

I'm not normally one to brag, but I felt that this story just needed to be shared with everyone.

In April 2009 Brock was sold as a 10 week old puppy to what was supposed to be his loving forever home. Now, other than to say that there are some despicable, low-life scum on this earth, I am not going to say any more about these people as they do not deserve another second of my time.

On 20th August 2010 I received a phone call from the RSPCA in Wangaratta saying that a dog has been surrendered to them who, according to his microchip number, is registered to me (thank goodness for microchips!). Without a second's thought I told the lady we would be there in the morning to pick him up. The next morning Colin and I took a 3 hour drive to pick Brock up. When I walked out to the pens to collect Brock he was standing there with a very unsure look on his face, obviously having no idea of why he was there. All I said was "hello" and he instantly transformed into this happy, excited boy who couldn't wait to get out of there and jump into my arms. I don't know how long a dog's memory is, but he definitely remembered my voice!

Brock fitted in beautifully at home, it was almost as if he never left. Brock was about 8 kgs overweight and had fresh wounds on his face and leg, which were obviously from a recent fight. When I put the blow dryer on him to get the dead coat out I found more scars on his legs and neck. But, whatever happened in the past, didn't taint his beautiful temperament. He seemed to be very laid back and was just enjoying the attention. Brock was home to stay!

We decided to enter Brock in the AMCV's Specialty just to see how he would cope in the show scene. He took to it like a duck to water so we figured we might as well enter some more shows. Brock commenced his show career on the 23rd October winning Best Of Breed both days and being well on his way to his Australian Champion title. After just 3 months in the show ring (we didn't show for the first 3 months of 2011) Brock gained his Australian Champion title on 25th April after winning Best of Breed and Intermediate in Group. Considering where this boy came from, we were over the moon with his achievements to date.

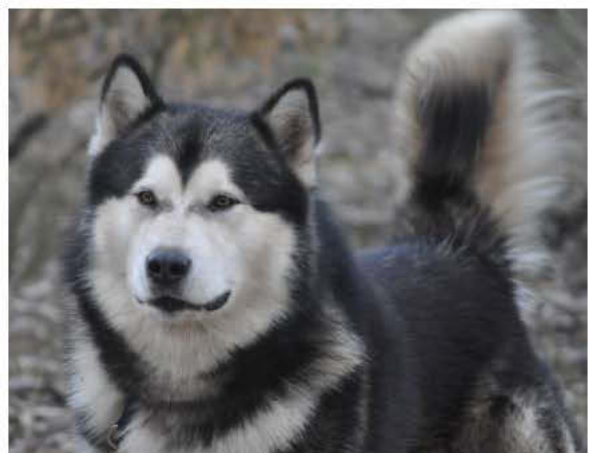
On the 11th June Brock & Colin competed in the Dalmatian Club's Endurance Test and Brock passed with no problems at all – he made it look positively easy!

On the 3rd July Brock commenced his sledding career, running in the 2-dog class with his sister Millie. Just two months later both Brock and Millie completed the necessary km's, which included two excursions that were approximately 18 km's each, to be awarded their Working Team Dog titles. By Brock being awarded his WTD, he was then eligible to be inducted into the AMCV's Register Of Achievement.

So, in just 12 short months Brock went from god knows what, to being awarded his Australian Champion title, his Endurance Title, his Working Team Dog title and being inducted into the AMCV's Register Of Achievement. What this remarkable boy has achieved in such a short time is nothing short of amazing. Nothing like making up for lost time! Brock is simply loving life and at only 2 years of age, who knows what the future holds. We will be forever grateful that Brock came back home, because he is definitely here to stay!

I am very proud to present **Australian Champion Tanome King Of The Mountain E.T. WTD ROA – "Brock"**. Proudly owned, bred, and VERY MUCH LOVED by Sharen & Colin McPhan, Tanome Alaskan Malamutes.

Thanks for letting me share. ☺



2011 WEIGHT-PULL RESULTS



Weight Pull Event 4 - Tuggy State Shield Event

11 September 2011 - KCC Park

Weight Class	Overall Place	Mal Place	Dog	Owner/Handler	Dog's Weight (kg)	Weight Pulled (kg)	Time (secs)	Weight / Weight Ratio	Best Pull (w/w)
< 36 kg	1	1	Wilfred	Ian Luke	35.0	790	46.05	22.54	2
	2	2	Jai	Sharen McPhan	35.6	790	55.41	22.19	3
	3	3	Paddy	Di Mitchell	31.5	538	38.94	17.07	
	4	4	Daisy	Ian Luke	29.0	496	39.51	17.1	
	5	-	Scooby*	Sanda Sankovic	26.0	454	60.06	17.46	
	6	5	Gus	Ralph Koch	35.5	412	63.82	11.60	
	7	6	Jack	Sharen McPhan	36.4	370	43.59	10.16	
	8	-	Buster*	Lincoln Hancock	24.8	202	15.77	8.12	
	9	-	Ruby*	Simone Dines	26.7	160	10.32	5.99	
	10	7	Luci	Shelley Shewring	32.4	160	16.1	4.94	
	11	-	Zima*	Nathan Cattenazzi	21.6	160	33.98	7.41	
	12	8	Xander	Shellie Shewring	31.8	160	55.50	5.03	
36 – 45 kg	1	1	Shadow	Bradley Acht	40.0	979	15.26	24.47	1
	2	-	Breeza*	Simone Dines	38.5	328	10.57	8.57	

Highest Pull for the Day:

979 kg pulled by Shadow

* Non-registered Malamute or other breed

Best Pull for the Day:

Weight:Weight ratio of 24.47 pulled by Shadow



Shadow pulling 979 kg



Wilfred



Paddy



Jai



Daisy



Jack



Xander



Gus



Breeza

2010/2011 Annual Weight-Pull Competition

Class Results

<36 kg Class

Place	Event Date	Dog	Owner/Handler	Dog's Weight (kg)	Weight Pulled (kg)	Time (secs)	Weight / Weight Ratio	Total Weight Pulled BEST 3
1	17/10/2010	Wilfred	Ian Luke	31.5	664	12.13	21.07	2307
	10/04/2011			33.4	664	55.24	19.88	
	7/05/2011			33.5	853	14.53	25.46	
	11/09/2011			35	790	46.05	22.54	
2	10/04/2011	Paddy	Di Mitchell	31.5	538	31.28	17.07	1740
	7/05/2011			31	664	56.07	21.41	
	11/09/2011			31.5	538	38.94	17.07	
3	17/10/2010	Daisy	Ian Luke	28.9	202	17.41	6.98	1068
	7/05/2011			28	370	28.66	13.21	
	11/09/2011			29	496	39.51	17.1	
4	11/09/2011	Jai	Sharen McPhan	35.6	790	55.41	22.19	790
5	7/05/2011	Avalanche	Merv Turner	36.4	664	33.64	18.24	664
6	10/04/2011	Ernie	Merv Turner	35	286	36.27	8.17	614
	7/05/2011			33.8	328	50.17	9.7	
7	11/09/2011	Gus	Ralph Koch	35.5	412	63.82	11.6	412
8	11/09/2011	Jack	Sharen McPhan	36.4	370	43.59	10.16	370
9	7/05/2011	Claude	Merv Turner	31.25	286	11.63	9.15	286
10	7/05/2011	Thor	Merv Turner	36.5	202	10.33	5.5	202
11	11/09/2011	Luci	Shelley Shewring	32.4	160	16.1	4.94	160
11	11/09/2011	Xander	Shellie Shewring	31.8	160	55.5	5.03	160

36 – 45 kg Class

Place	Event Date	Dog	Owner/Handler	Dog's Weight (kg)	Weight Pulled (kg)	Time (secs)	Weight / Weight Ratio	Total Weight Pulled BEST 3
1	17/10/2010	Shadow	Bradley Acht	44.3	853	10.17	19.25	2496
	10/04/2011			42	664	25.26	15.8	
	11/09/2011			40	979	15.26	24.47	
2	10/04/2011	Jai	Sharen McPhan	40	790	26.2	19.75	1517
	17/10/2010			39	727	25.37	18.64	
3	10/04/2011	Billy	Stewart Cumming	38.1	538	9.9	14.12	1265
	7/05/2011			38.5	727	19	18.88	
4	10/04/2011	Avalanche	Merv Turner	37.5	790	11.86	21.06	790
5	17/10/2010	Jethro	Stuart Vanderpol	42	727	46.18	17.3	727
6	17/10/2010	Jack	Sharen McPhan	37	412	16.3	11.13	412
7	10/04/2011	Wesley	Merv Turner	40.3	160	5.77	3.97	320
	7/05/2011			37.55	160	28.12	4.26	
8	10/04/2011	Timber	Stewart Cumming	39.5	286	31.99	7.24	286
9	10/04/2011	Quake	Fiona Paton	39.2	244	12.58	6.22	244
9	10/04/2011	Thor	Merv Turner	37	244	35.43	6.59	244
11	7/05/2011	Madge	Merv Turner	38	202	10.43	5.31	202

Top Weight Pull Dog of the Year

Place	Dog	Registered Name	Owner	Weight / Weight Ratio BEST 3
1st	Wilfred	Ch Katakuru Hurricane Wilfred	Ian Luke	69.07
2nd	Jai	Tanome Kiss Thiss	Sharen McPhan	60.58
3rd	Shadow	Katakuru All Shadow	Bradley Acht	59.52

THE ALASKAN MALAMUTE CLUB, VICTORIA, INC.*Incorporations Registered No. A0016353X*

Minutes of a General Meeting of the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria, Inc., held on **Thursday, 28 July, 2011**
at 7.30 pm at the Bulla Exhibition Centre, Calabria Club, Uniting Lane, Bulla.

Present: I Luke (Chair), J Ganson, D Luke, R Koch, S Koch, D Mitchell, S McPhan, K Ryan, O Singer,
S Vanderpol, V Winther

Apologies: S Cartwright, C McPhan, F Paton, S Shewring, S Turner

The meeting commenced 8.00 pm.

AGENDA ITEMS**1. Apologies**

Motion: That the apologies as listed above be accepted.

Moved: J Ganson Seconded: D Luke

CARRIED**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

It was noted that the minutes of the previous General Meeting, dated 24 March 2011, have been misplaced and are in the process of being reconstructed.

3. Correspondence

A list of correspondence since the last General Meeting was read to the members:

(see Appendix 1: Correspondence list)

Motion: That the correspondence be accepted as tabled.

Moved: D Mitchell, Seconded: S McPhan

CARRIED**4. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's reports for the months of February through to May 2011 were presented.

It was noted that the amount of \$77.04 for Litter Registrations in April should be listed as Interest.

Motion: That the Treasurers reports for February through to May 2011, with the above amendment, be accepted.

Moved: R Koch Seconded: D Mitchell

CARRIED**5. Co-ordinators' Reports****5.1 Vice President (Breed Welfare) – Sandy Koch**

Health: Shelley Turner

Not a lot to report at the moment, we have received one other health report relating to heart problems but nothing else so far.

Please note the proposed changes to our Puppy, Stud Dog and Breeders register, hopefully these will be passed at the next GM.

There is a lot of research going on at the moment and FaceBook is a wealth of information, we are still in contact with the AMCA health chair and if any information becomes available or there is some worthwhile testing that can be done from Australia we will be letting the members know.

I am currently doing an Alopecia X trial on Ernie (in conjunction with a vet in Adelaide and the drug company) and will let the members know of any results.

Puppy Register & Referral Service: Ralph Koch

There are no puppies on the register.

There are currently 25 Malamutes and Malamute crosses on the referral list:

- 3 in Victoria

- 12 in NSW

- 8 in Queensland

- 2 in South Australia

Since the last General Meeting, 67 of the dogs listed have been adopted, and several more are on trial in new homes, largely thanks to the work done by the Alaskan Malamute Rehoming Aid group.

Publicity/Education & Fundraising: Fionna Paton

The raffle of the book for QLD Flood victims has picked up finally. We have now sold 37 tickets so it's getting there slowly. I propose that we draw this at the specialty even if all tickets are not sold.

The chocolate fundraisers were a success and have raised a total of \$1,040.00 with \$462.00 profit for the club. Elaina Chlebna very kindly donated her box of chocs back to the club to sell which was lovely. Thanks to all those who purchased them.

Michelle White donated 2 lovely mal bracelets to auction on the facebook group. The successful and very happy

bidders were Sharon & Rob Troisi and Sharen McPhan. This raised another \$340.00. The second Wolf Jigsaw Puzzle donated by Olive Singer was also auctioned and raised \$60.00 with Elaina Chlebna being the lucky bidder. I also have an auction running at the moment for the Iditarod poster donated by Tiffany Evans which is currently at \$90.00 and is still available to bid on until 4th August.

That brings the total raised so far for this year (not including the Iditarod poster) to \$3,855.00 with a total profit for the club of \$2,921.55. This means we have already exceeded last years figure which is wonderful. Based on this, I believe we will achieve at least \$4,500.00 for the year, easily.

I will not be re-running for Fundraising due to other things I have going on in my life but will complete this year. I urge you all to start think about putting your hand up for a committee position. Personally, I have found this role to be very rewarding and I have thoroughly enjoyed making you all part with your hard earned cash.

5.2 **Vice President (Activities)** – Stuart Vanderpol

Weight-Pull: Di Mitchell

Since my last report there have been no weight pull events held but there are now only about six weeks until the next event which is the Tuggy Shield on the 11th of September. The site is looking neat and tidy and I have killed the weeds again so that by the time we get to the next event, it will be back to its former glory!

Sashes are still on offer for donations so please contact me if you would like to put your hand up for these. Thank-you Ralph and Sandy for your response to the call for donations.

I believe we are yet to purchase the extra bricks so that we have sufficient weight for the next events. I will follow up to ensure we are prepared.

I am looking forward to the Tuggy Shield, where I am sure we will see some heavy weights pulled and I anticipate some titles to be achieved on the day too. See you all there.

Sledding: Colin McPhan

The sledding point score season is over for another year. Although this year's races have not been all that well attended, the camaraderie shown out on the track and around the campfire has been awesome. Congratulations to all the winners and placegetters.

Our State Cup has been run and won. Again, a rather poor turnout, but that didn't dampen the quality of competition out on the track. The weather made things interesting for everyone and quite a few mushers came back rather wet and muddy on Sunday morning. Congratulations to all the winners and placegetters.

We held the first of our long distances weekends on 23/24 July and, my apologies for sounding repetitive, but again the turnout was very poor. However, those who did attend had some nice runs with their dogs and two mushers completed the excursion distance of 18kms in very respectable times. Our last long distance event will be held on 27/28 August at a venue yet to be confirmed. I hope to see a few more faces at what will be our last event for the sledding season.

Backpacking: James Ganson

Due to the coordinator and regular Committee hikers not being able to make the last scheduled event, the hike had to be cancelled. The next hike is at Firth Park on 3 September and will definitely be going ahead – details will be published in the August Malamute Mail.

Show: Sharen McPhan

Our champ show is just around the corner and we are needing donations for sashes & trophies. If anyone would like to donate please let me know and I will let you know what's available.

The champ show schedule will be published in the August Mal Mail and entries close on 2nd September.

If anyone has dogs who have attained their Champion or Grand Champion title, or an obedience title please send me a copy of the relevant certificates by 31st August so we can organise medallions for presentation at the AGM.

Obedience: Kevin Ryan

Nothing to report.

5.3 **Newsletter** – Shellie Shewring

First of all i would like to sincerely apologise to the entire membership for the very late arrival of their June 2011 Malamute Mail. As enjoyable as it is, putting together our bi monthly newsletter is no easy task, with many hours going into each issue and the last few months for myself have been rather hectic between work and study making it very difficult to meet deadlines. With my studies continuing well into 2012 I have decided not to re-stand for the position of Newsletter Editor at the upcoming AGM. I am happy to have a chat with anyone who maybe interested in knowing more about taking on this roll and am happy to help support whoever takes on this position. As tonight's meeting is taking place i am at home putting the final touches on the August issue and hope to have it out to you all later next week.

5.4 **Secretary** – Sara Cartwright

No report provided.

Motion: *That the Vice-Presidents' and Co-ordinator's reports as presented be accepted.*

Moved: D Luke, Seconded: O Singer

CARRIED

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Business Arising from Correspondence:

Nil

6.2 Proposed amendments to membership categories:

Motion: *That the definition of a Junior Member in the AMCV Club Rules be amended mean a member under the age of 18 years and that the Family membership be amended to read "Family Member – Includes parent(s) and any number of children under 18 years of age residing at the one address".*

Moved: Dale Luke

This will be published as a notice of motion for the Annual General Meeting.

6.3 Donation by Olive Singer:

Olive Singer has donated a Malamute tapestry made by her as a prize for Best In Show for the Championship Show. Olive was thanked for her kind donation.

6.4 Late start of meeting:

The meeting commenced late due to the absence of the Secretary and the correspondence list having to be compiled. The President noted that the rules state that meetings can start within 30 minutes of advertised start time, however apologised for the late starts to the General Meetings and will endeavour to commence closer to the advertised time in future.

6.5 Mail from Peter Dykstra:

Several email communications have been received from a Queensland breeder, Peter Dykstra, claiming that hip dysplasia is diet related and denying that there is any genetic component. Mr Dykstra demanded that AMCV remove hip dysplasia article which recommends that both parents of a litter be passed for hip dysplasia, as it is impacting him. In his latest correspondence he has threatened legal action against the AMCV, however nothing further has yet been received.

6.6 Committee Positions:

A number of Committee are not restanding at the AGM, so members are encouraged to consider taking up a position on Committee.

6.7 Health testing requirements for the Breeders Directory, Puppy & Stud Registers:

Motions regarding additional health testing requirements for the Breeders Directory, Stud Dog Register and Puppy Register have been proposed and will be advertised in the August Malamute Mail. The notices of Motion will be on the agenda for a Special General Meeting being held immediately prior to AGM on 13 October.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

There being no further business the President declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Next Meeting: Special General Meeting & Annual General Meeting - 13 October, 2011.



Correspondence List
for the General Meeting held 28 July, 2011

Incoming Correspondence received since previous General Meeting

<i>From:</i>	<i>Details:</i>
Dogs Vic	Request for non-members' names for Levy payment
Vets All Natural	Renewal of sponsorship for 2011
Plush Puppy	Renewal of sponsorship for Champ Show 2011
Mr. L. Johnson	Non-renewal of membership
Dogs Vic	Neuter Champion Title
Dogs Vic	Thank you for your club's work at the Pet Expo
Utility Dog Club of Vic	Seeking donations
S Cumming & L Hewat	Change of address details
RSPCA	Thank you for your donation
Dogs Vic	'Bagging' and cyber bullying of other members
Bendigo DSE	Permit for sledding at Knowsley and One Eye
Vets All Natural	Invoice for products
Vets All Natural	Invoice for products
S & J Williams	Address change
Parks Victoria	Rejection of sledding application for You Yangs
Alison Rowe	Praise through website for rehoming
Dogs Victoria	New code of practice for rehoming shelters
Rebecca Jones	Key Safe code for meeting
Dogs Victoria	Companion Dog Club Newsletter
Dogs Victoria	Levy Form 2011
Dogs Victoria	Draft Calendar 2012
Mary Camilleri – Bendigo DSE	Permit for Knowsley Training Day
RASV	Requesting donations for Melbourne Royal
RSPCA	Banning of live exports
E Levett	Re: role of president
DSE Bendigo	Fire management plan
Dogs Victoria	VCA Representatives training sessions
Keeshond Club	Re subcontracting of judge in 2012
Dogs Victoria	Meeting room checklist and keycode
E Levett	Concerns re role of President
S Butcher	Response regarding sponsorship of Falls Snow Race

Outgoing Correspondence sent since previous General Meeting

<i>To</i>	<i>Details</i>
Siberian Husky Club	Change of secretary address
Cadbury Fundraiser	Change of secretary address
Dogs Vic	Non-member list of names for VCA Levy payment
Lorraine Green	Ch'd Scheme
Dogs Victoria	Weightpull booking KCC Park
Amy Groch - Bendigo DSE	Applications for sledding permits One Eye & Knowsley
You Yangs Park Ranger	Application for permits for sledding at You Yangs
Group 6 Judges & Trainees	Invitations for Breed Information Evening
Judy Locke - Parks Vic	Permit for Bannockburn
J Stewart - Ballarat DSE	Permit for Bannockburn
S Butcher	Re: sponsorship of Falls Snow Race
E Levett	Response from I Luke re role of President

Zinc and Selenium

Their roles in maintaining health, and the effects of deficiency

Dr Bruce Syme BVSc(hons). Vets All Natural Animal Health Centre, Castlemaine. Vic.

The role of Zinc :

Zinc is one of the essential trace minerals required in a dog's diet to maintain good health. It is also one of the most abundant minerals found in the body, and is concentrated in certain parts of the brain, pancreas, and adrenal glands, as well as being present in the nucleus of all cells.

Zinc is involved in a vast array of metabolic processes in the body; It has been scientifically identified as playing in a key role in over 200 critical enzymatic / metabolic pathways, is integral to the function of the whole immune system, is involved in the production of numerous hormones (thyroid hormone, insulin, sex hormones, growth hormone, cortisone ...), and plays an integral role in DNA synthesis, and therefore cellular reproduction. Zinc also plays a major role in brain function, learning and memory, as well as maintaining good eyesight. In the skin, zinc plays a role in maintaining healthy skin and is involved in hair growth and regulation. It is also vital to normal skeletal development and collagen synthesis. Zinc is also one of the more powerful anti-oxidants in the body.

Of the many and varied functions zinc performs in the body, perhaps its most vital role is that of DNA and RNA replication. DNA is required not only for cell division and growth, but also for the expression of genetic material (the translation of genetic codes (genes) into their metabolic function). At this level, zinc influences the molecular genetics of an organism, and deficiency of zinc can have far reaching effects, that can even be passed on to future generations.

Causes of Zinc deficiency :

The most potent sources of dietary zinc are found in red meats, white meats, and fish (especially oysters). It is also found in reasonable levels in cereals, legumes and root vegetables. Dietary deficiency can be caused by diets that are low in meats (ie vegetarian diets for dogs), but also in diets where the meat content has been highly processed and nutritionally damaged. Other more common and poorly understood causes of deficiency are now being discovered. Diets that are high in refined cereal grains are also high in plant phytates (especially soy based products), and these phytates actually bind to zinc in the intestines, and render it unabsorbable. Many cheaply prepared commercial dog foods have high cereal content, and often have high levels of soybean protein. Over supplementation with calcium also reduces zinc absorption, as does high intakes of iron supplements.

Any disturbance in gastrointestinal function will also affect zinc uptake. Chronic diarrhoea, inflammatory bowel disease, pancreatic insufficiency, and malabsorption syndromes can all cause zinc deficiency. Also the long term use of certain heart medications (diuretics and ACE inhibitors) can lead to excessive zinc losses.

Effects of Zinc deficiency :

Given the vast array of metabolic processes that involve zinc, it is not hard to understand why zinc deficiency has wide-ranging and seriously detrimental effects on general health.

The first, and most easily missed, sign of zinc deficiency is reduced appetite and gradual weight loss. Prolonged deficiency then starts to show more serious signs.

In the skin, deficiency causes a disruption to normal cell division, and the skin becomes dry and flaky. As it progresses, the skin can become grossly thickened and scaly looking (hyperkeratosis), similar to human psoriasis. Hair growth is also retarded, and eventually hair-loss spreads over the body (alopecia). In conjunction with the skin changes, the entire animal's immune system is severely depressed, and secondary bacterial skin infections and pustular dermatoses occur, along with increased susceptibility to all manner of bacterial and viral infections. Poor wound healing is also a notable sign, as is damaged and brittle nails, and thickened and crusty nasal pads and digital pads.

Deficiency of zinc during pregnancy and foetal development can lead to severe growth retardation, limb abnormalities, swollen joints, and poor skeletal formation. Brain development is retarded, and learning and cognitive functions are inhibited. Long term deficiency can result in premature ageing, senility, vision loss (especially night blindness), and hearing loss.

Reproductive performance is seriously affected by zinc deficiency. Because zinc is required for the production of the sex hormones (testosterone, oestrogen etc), deficiency of zinc causes abnormally low levels of these hormones. In male dogs it can cause low sperm count, loss of libido, and testicular atrophy (shrinking testicles). In bitches it reduces ovarian function, causing poor ovulation and low egg numbers, resulting in poor conception rates, small litter sizes and weak, under developed puppies of low birth weight.

Zinc deficiency also affects many other hormones, and can be involved in hypothyroidism, diabetes, and dwarfism. Its effect on suppressing the immune system has also been documented to prove that it makes animals more susceptible to developing a large range of degenerative diseases, including cancer.

During early post natal development, the puppy's immature immune system begins forming from bone marrow tissue. These immature immune cells leave the bone marrow and migrate to the Thymus gland, where they are "educated" to become mature immune cells (called thymic cells or "T" cells). These T cells are responsible for a significant part of the immune system, and are able to differentiate between normal body cells and "foreign" cells (ie bacteria, viruses, fungi, and cancer cells). The T cells are critical to normal immune function (these are the cells destroyed by the HIV virus leading to immune failure). Zinc is essential for the growth and development of the thymus gland, and for the proliferation and "education" of T cells.

When zinc is deficient, the thymus is small, or non existent, T cell numbers are low, and their normal

function is severely compromised, leading to a significant increase in infectious diseases, auto-immune disease, degenerative conditions, and ultimately cancer.

Supplementation :

Diets high in fresh meats should not require additional zinc supplements. Most premium commercial pet foods have additional zinc added to the ration, to counteract any damage/loss during processing. The ideal minimum level of zinc in the diet is 120 ppm (parts per million – AAFCO standard). For home prepared diets, additional zinc, in the form of zinc sulphate or zinc oxide, can safely be added at a rate of 10mg per 25kg bodyweight daily.

The role of Selenium :

Selenium is another essential trace element required in a dog's diet, but at a much lower level than that of zinc. In fact, high doses of selenium can be quite toxic, and a majority of scientific research into selenium was originally focused on its toxicity, not on its benefits. It was only recently discovered that selenium deficiency can have a significant impact on overall health.

Selenium's major function in the body is its involvement in the production of anti-oxidants, in particular, the anti-oxidant enzyme Glutathione Peroxidase. Anti-oxidants play a vital role in the bodies defence mechanisms. During normal cellular function (the creation of energy in the cells), oxidation reactions occur that produce by-products called "free radicals" – these free radicals are extremely reactive, electrochemically unbalanced molecules, with a negative charge (most commonly negatively charged oxygen), and although they are very short lived in the body (fractions of a second), they can cause electron transfers which result in massive energy releases within the cells, resulting in untold damage to the biological systems, including damage to DNA, proteins, fats, and the intracellular components.

Luckily, the body is well equipped with a cascade of anti-oxidants, which function purely to remove these free radicals as soon as they are produced, and before they can cause damage.

Anti-oxidants are generally enzymes that require certain levels of trace elements and vitamins for their production. The two most powerful anti-oxidant enzymes (glutathione peroxidase and superoxide dismutase) both require adequate sources of selenium to function. Other nutritional elements that combine to produce anti-oxidants include vitamins E (alpha-tocopherol), vitamin C (ascorbic acid), vitamin A (beta carotene), and the trace minerals zinc, copper and manganese. Numerous other anti-oxidant compounds can be found in most fresh foods and many herbs.

Health problems arise when either the production of free radicals is increased (consuming all the body's anti-oxidants), or the level of natural anti-oxidants in the body is decreased or depleted. Depletion of anti-oxidants is generally caused by a combination of deficient nutritional intake of the above mentioned vitamins and minerals (poor diet, highly processed foods), combined with an increased consumption of anti-oxidant enzymes (ie increased production of free radicals).

Free radical production can be increased by a number of factors. Most significant in Western society is environmental pollution. The chemicals known to produce free-radicals include chlorinated hydrocarbons, aromatic hydrocarbons, industrial acids, solvents, most pesticides and herbicides, preservatives in foods, printing pigments and inks and other industrial chemicals, fragrances and perfume vehicles, cosmetic vehicles and cosmetics, pollutants in air and water, many if not all pharmacological agents used in medicine and anaesthetics, which have a profound affect in producing radicals in the central nervous system. Chemical mobilisation of fat stores under various conditions such as lactation, exercise, fever, infection and even fasting, can result in increased radical activity and damage in particular to the immune and nervous systems. Stress (both physical and emotional), increases production of the hormones adrenaline and cortisone, which are then metabolised and result in high levels of free radical production.

Free radical damage has now been clearly identified as having a central role in most, if not all, degenerative diseases, and can ultimately be linked to chronic immune failure and the formation of cancerous cells in the body. The simple process of ageing, is understood to be directly related to the gradual decrease in anti-oxidants in the body, and the subsequent rise in free radical damage.

Re printed from the Vets All Natural Website

Just a Dog

From time to time, people tell me, "lighten up, it's just a dog," or, "that's a lot of money for just a dog." They don't understand the distance traveled, the time spent, or the costs involved for "just a dog."

Some of my proudest moments have come about with "just a dog." Many hours have passed and my only company was "just a dog," but I did not once feel slighted.

Some of my saddest moments have been brought about by "just a dog," and in those days of darkness, the gentle touch of "just a dog" gave me comfort and reason to overcome the day.

If you, too, think it's "just a dog," then you will probably understand phrases like "just a friend," "just a sunrise," or "just a promise." "Just a dog" brings into my life the very essence of friendship, trust, and pure-unbridled joy. "Just a dog" brings out the compassion and patience that make me a better person.

Because of "just a dog" I will rise early, take long walks and look longingly to the future. So for me and folks like me, it's not "just a dog" but an embodiment of all the hopes and dreams of the future, the fond memories of the past, and the pure joy of the moment.

"Just a dog" brings out what's good in me and diverts my thoughts away from myself and the worries of the day.

I hope that someday they can understand that it's not "just a dog" but the thing that gives me humanity and keeps me from being "just a human."

So the next time you hear the phrase "just a dog," just smile, because they "just don't understand."

Authored by Richard A. Biby



In Memory of Kimba



*Given a second chance at life, happy to the end...
Our thoughts are with Juzzy and Mel
on the loss of their lovely girl Kims.*



Ralph, Sandy & the gang at Windchill





VALE

Kimba

??/10/2001 – 26/08/2011

In January, 2004 a wonderful & majestic, but underweight, long-legged Alaskan Malamute came into my life. She weighed just 26kg's but had the most beautiful smile and tail. Her name was Kimba and she was rescued from the Peninsula Animal Aid Shelter in Pearcedale. I was to be her fourth owner!!

And so, a journey began over the next 7 ½ years.

Shortly after getting her home I contacted the AMCV and spoke to a wonderful lady – Sandy. She told me what to expect – possible escape artist, strong willed, dominant, possibly destructive etc. But she also provided the spark – an upcoming weightpull that she encouraged us to attend. That we did. It turned out comical with Kims managing to flip out of the harness! She did, however, go on to pull that day, and pull well.

Over the ensuing seasons, Kimba went on to achieve her Associate Working Weightpull Title, regularly pulling to just under 500 kg's. She loved the chute – tail high in the air, often with front legs elevated “paddling” the air as she pulled, and looking at those in attendance as if to say, “hey look at me!”

Her favourite activity, however, was sledding. April, 2004 was her first time in harness at the You Yangs. This was the real seed for her – and for me. The true calling. Kimba absolutely loved it and thrived in the environment. Her attitude was to run and run and run. Unwavering and unflinching in attitude. Nothing on trail bothered her. And she never left anything in the trailer – she gave her all right up to her last run in July, 2011. An amazing working ethic.

She went on to achieve some wonderful results in harness – Associate Working Team Dog Title, 1 Dog AMCV State Cup first place overall, 2 Dog AMCV State Cup first place overall and runner up, Fastest 2 Dog Team at the ASSA Nationals in Canberra, runner up in Novice Class at the last ASSA Vic v's SA State of Origin.

Kimba also ventured into backpacking. These were always enjoyable 16klm “walks.” To her, however, these were still competition! She had to be out front. She didn't like others in front of her, and if they were she had to pass them. My aching thighs were always testament as to how hard she had been “dragging” me! She went on to achieve her Associate Working Pack Title.

Kimba, I believe, is the most titled Associate Alaskan Malamute in the AMCV's time. A very proud achievement for a girl that was unwanted. A tribute to her work ethic and capability.

Kimba also enjoyed the many simple things in life – a good meaty bone, her birthday treat of fresh salmon, taking the wrapper off her Christmas presents, a swim at the beach or in the dam, a cuddle or nudging her way under our armpits, or a good sing a long! She was always happy. Always smiling. Tail held proudly aloft. She loved people. She loved to “convince” people to pat her, to get to know her. She loved the many pet expos we attended. The chance to win people over. Especially the kids. Young or old! Even at the vet hospital on her final day – she was still true to form. An older couple asked what was wrong, what breed she was, and how beautiful she was. Our Nimmies!

In July, however. Tragedy. Taking her to the vet for some lameness and swelling in her front leg returned a terrible diagnosis. Bone Cancer. And it was aggressive. It took her from us far too quickly. She sat in front of us on 25th August and her face said it all – “I can't do this anymore, it hurts.”



On 26th August I took Kimba for her last walk of the property, a groom and a good hug at her favourite spot. After some last photos with Mel and the girls she took her final car ride. Her head wedged between the head rests – same as always - staring at me via the rear vision mirror.


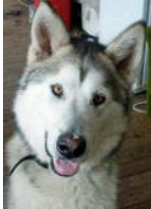
Kimba was not only my first dog, she was my first Mally. She showed me a wonderful world and through it we met some amazing people, made new friends, and did some great things.

Kimba made a huge impact on our lives. The girls were just learning her name – “Ba!” Her loss has left a massive void. She will be missed incredibly.

Set free to meet your awaiting friends. Run Free. Run Strong. Over the Rainbow Bridge. Your golden harness awaits. Forever in our hearts. Our beautiful Nimmies.

Justin & Melissa, Grace & Lily Celentane and Miki & Ice.

Referral Service Update

<p>Dogs for Adoption</p> <p>Please go to the AMCV website for further details - www.amcv.org.au/rescue.html</p>	 <p>NSW Name: BOLT Sex: Male - desexed Age: 11 months Breed: Malamute X</p>	 <p>QLD Name: DEMON Sex: Male - desexed Age: 2 years Breed: Malamute X Husky</p>
 <p>VIC Name: SASKYA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 6 years</p>	 <p>NSW Name: MONTANA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Malamute X Husky Age: 4 years</p>	 <p>QLD Name: SUMMY Sex: Male - desexed Age: 1 year Breed: Alaskan Malamute</p>
 <p>NSW Name: ZEUS Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Malamute X Husky Age: 9 years</p>	 <p>NSW Name: JOSHIE Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 5 years</p>	 <p>QLD Name: CHARLOTTE Sex: Female - desexed Age: 5 years Breed: Malamute X Husky</p>
 <p>NSW Name: BRONX Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 14 months</p>	 <p>NSW Name: NIKITA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 6 years</p>	 <p>QLD Name: SMOOCH Sex: Male - desexed Age: 5 years Breed: Malamute X Husky</p>
 <p>NSW Name: PRINCE Sex: Male - desexed Age: 6 years old</p>	 <p>QLD Name: MALOO Sex: Male - desexed Age: 5 years Breed: Alaskan Malamute</p>	 <p>SA Name: INALI Sex: Male - desexed Age: 18 months Breed: Alaskan Malamute</p>

Recently Adopted:

 Rocky - NSW	 Sasha - NSW	 Bullet - NSW	 Princess - VIC	 Abby - VIC	 Molly - VIC	 Princess - NSW	 Shakira - QLD	 Chi - SA
 Kodi - NSW	 Indy - VIC	 Storm - NSW	 Finley - VIC	 Chyna - QLD	 Pepper - NSW	 Cocoa - VIC	 Pepper - NSW	 Chyna - QLD
 Damon - SA	 Bindi - NSW	 Tasha - VIC	 Zorro - VIC	 Goldie - NSW	 Malachi - QLD	 Shiva - NSW	 Texas - NSW	 Shengus - SA
 King - TAS	 Rocky - NSW	 Maui - QLD	 Merlin - NSW	 Zoltan - NSW	 Tashka - NSW	 Mishka - VIC	 Koda - QLD	 Nikki - SA

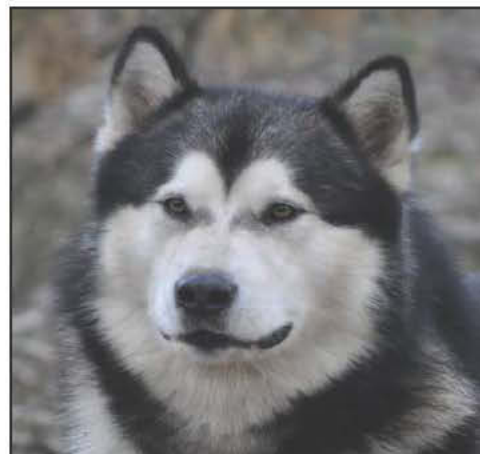
REGISTER OF ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to the following Alaskan Malamute on being accepted onto the AMCV Register of Achievement.

CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ET WTD ROA

“Brock”

Sire: Ch Qannik Sno Luck
Dam: Ch Alcaneeeka Tameka
Whelped: 23 February 2009
Owner: S McPhan
Breeder: S McPhan
Achievements: Australian Champion
 Endurance Title
 Working Team Dog (AMCV)



A fureva home for Zorro

My good friend Steve Cartwright offered me the opportunity to sponsor a little Malamute pup who was needing a new home. I straight away said hell yes . as I love malamutes and especially ones in need.

As time went on and talking back and forward with Steve he informed me that the little pup named Zorro needed to be re homed ASAP so Steve said he could take him in at his place. As a joke I suggested that we could foster him and help him find a fureva home not telling my partner Alex about this lol.

After talking or should I say begging my partner Alex, he agreed to having Zorro stay with us as a foster. I called Steve to tell him the good news. Steve agreed. So myself and my partner Alex drive the 3hour journey to Shepparton to meet and pick up baby Zorro. I couldn't stop smiling the whole way home and I could wait for our darling Mallie girl Miss Chardy to meet her new foster brother.



After a few weeks had past and Miss Chardy spent more and more time with baby Zorro we realised they had a special bond. That got me thinking maybe we should keep him as we had a few leads but nothing really solid. But how would we cope with two mallies and is the backyard bigger enough? How would I walk them together? Oh but he is soooooo cute.. What to do.. So I got Zorro's vaccinations and desex operation done so he would be ready for his new home. Still thinking about keeping him and making it work.



The more time we spent with him he seemed to follow me or Alex or Miss Chardy everywhere we went and giving us lots of kisses and hand (paw) shakes. We all started to fall in love with him more and more every minute of the day, especially me.. So on the 14th of August Alex decided that we should have a vote if we should give Zorro his fureva home, Alex voted YES, Miss Chardy smiled and wagged her tail so we took that as a YES and well I said YES !!

Its the best feeling, I just have to look in his deep brown eyes and know that we made the right choice. Thank you so much Cartwright gang and furkids for giving baby Zorro a second chance and letting us foster and now adopt our now darling furson Master Zorro.

Myself, Alex and Miss Chardy are so blessed to have Master Zorro in our life and are looking forward to a wonderful future all together as one BIG happy Mallie Family.

Submitted by :Mel Curran

2011 CONFORMATION POINT SCORE UPDATE

Results as submitted up to September 1st 2011

Most Successful Alaskan Malamute

Thomla Knls Ch Katakku Hurricane Wilfred	31
Turner/Ward/Troisi's Gr Ch Katakku Fire Storm (AI)	31
Thomla Knls Thomla Sweet Oops A Daisy	25
Levett/McCombe's Ch Snowsteeds Rustic Rising	19
Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Major League	17
Hewat/Cummings Ch Qannik Sno Luck	15
Mann's Ch Chizana Diamond Of Hope (AI)	13
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain E.T.	12
Katakku Knls Katakku Chill In The Air (AI)	7
VanDerPol's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull	6
Levett's Snowsteeds Return To Paradise	5
Koch's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tanane	4
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	4
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Buniq	4
Miles/McCombe's Kemulvak Red Red Wine (AI)	3
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra	2
McCombe's Icepure Wispa Whisky Dreamshot	2
Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Diamonds R Forever	1
McPhan/Hodgson's Asleda Limited Edition	1

Top Alaskan Malamute Dog

Thomla Knls Ch Katakku Hurricane Wilfred	22
Turner/Ward/Troisi's Gr Ch Katakku Fire Storm (AI)	22
Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Major League	13
Levett/McCombe's Ch Snowsteeds Rustic Rising	12
Hewat/Cummings' Ch Qannik Sno Luck	10
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain	9
VanDerPol's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull	6
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra	2

Top Alaskan Malamute Bitch

Thomla Knls Thomla Sweet Oops A Daisy	15
Mann's Ch Chizana Diamond Of Hope (AI)	11
Katakku Knls Katakku Chill In The Air (AI)	7
Levett's Snowsteeds Return To Paradise	5
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	4
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Buniq	4
Koch's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tanane	4
Miles/McCombe's Kemulvak Red Red Wine (AI)	3
McCombe's Icepure Wispa Whisky Dreamshot	2
Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Diamonds R Forever	1
McPhan/Hodgson's Asleda Limited Edition	1

Baby Puppy Dog

Kemulvak Knls Kemulvak Redd Barron	5
Katakku Knls Katakku Crown Jewels	4
Koch's Qannik Wind Chill Factor	4
McPhan's Tanome Against The Grain	2
Katakku Knls Katakku Big Chill (AI)	1

Baby Puppy Bitch

Hewat/Cummings Qannik Foxy Lady	6
Katakku Knls Katakku Chill In The Air (AI)	2
Katakku Knls Katakku Diamond In The Ruff	1

Minor Puppy Dog

Katakku Knls Katakku Big Chill (AI)	12
Katakku Knls Katakku Crown Jewels	5

Minor Puppy Bitch

Katakku Knls Katakku Chill In The Air (AI)	8
Miles/McCombe's Kemulvak Red Red Wine (AI)	8
Katakku Knls Katakku Diamond In The Ruff	2

Puppy Dog

Katakku Knls Katakku Crown Jewels	1
Katakku Knls Katakku Big Chill (AI)	1

Puppy Bitch

Katakku Knls Katakku Chill In The Air (AI)	6
Miles/McCombe's Kemulvak Red Red Wine (AI)	5

Junior Dog – no entries

Junior Bitch

Levett's Snowsteeds Return To Paradise	5
McCombe's Icepure Wispa Whisky Dreamshot	4
Miles/McCombe's Kemulvak Red Red Wine (AI)	2

Intermediate Dog

Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Major League	13
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain	8
Luke/Mitchell's Thomla Sweet Skykat	7

Intermediate Bitch

Thomla Knls Thomla Sweet Oops A Daisy	7
Mann's Ch Chizana Diamond Of Hope (AI)	4
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	1
McCombe's Icepure Wispa Whisky Dreamshot	1

Australian Bred Dog

Hewat/Cummings' Ch Qannik Sno Luck	15
Levett/McCombe's Ch Snowsteeds Rustic Rising	12
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra	10
VanDerPol's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull	4
Luke/Mitchell's Thomla Sweet Skykat	1

Australian Bred Bitch

Thomla Knls Thomla Sweet Oops A Daisy	5
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Kirabo	3
McPhan/Hodgson's Asleda Limited Edition	2
Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Diamonds R Forever	1
Ganson's Ch Niltaran Ernace Zuberi	1

Open Dog

Thomla Knls Ch Katakku Hurricane Wilfred	17
VanDerPol's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tull	12
Turner/Ward/Troisi's Gr Ch Katakku Fire Storm (AI)	11
Levett/McCombe's Ch Snowsteeds Rustic Rising	5
Hewat/Cummings' Ch Windchill Kaos Arcticboy	3

Open Bitch

Koch's Ch Windchill Tamambo Tanane	4
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Buniq	2
Katakku Knls Ch Katakku Diamonds R Forever	1

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SHOW POINT SCORE COMPETITION RULES FOR 2011

(The following rules were adopted at the General Meeting on 21st August, 2003)

The new competition shall run from 1st January, 2011 to 31st December, 2011

1. All Championship shows held in Victoria shall count (**except the Melbourne Royal Show**) and the winners will be awarded from the ten (10) best results submitted.
2. All registered owners must be financial members of the AMCV Inc. at the time of the show for which results are being submitted.
3. The onus is on exhibitors to send their results to the Show Secretary, no later than one (1) month after the event together with a marked catalogue, (front cover and Judge's page along with the Alaskan Malamutes fully marked) including the best of classes in breed marked with a circle or asterisk. The exhibitor submitting the results must also sign on the front of the catalogue.
4. One exhibitor may send in the results for all those at a show, but all exhibitors who wish their results to be submitted for the competition must sign the front of the catalogue as some people may not wish to be included in the Point Score Competition.
5. There is no limit to the number of results that can be submitted, however only a competitor's ten (10) best results submitted will be published as the year progresses. Once a competitor has reached the ten (10) shows the Show Secretary will automatically adjust the points accordingly.
6. A complete record of shows submitted together with catalogues will be kept by the Show Secretary in the event of any dispute arising.
7. Trophies will be awarded to the registered owner/s of the winners at the time of submitting their dog's last results.
8. The competition will consist of Most Successful Alaskan Malamute, Most Successful Dog, Most Successful Bitch and Class awards.

8.1 **Most Successful Alaskan Malamute Dog and Bitch**

Most Successful Dog and Bitch will be awarded to the dog and bitch which has the most points from the ten (10) best shows submitted.

Points will be awarded to Challenge winners on the basis of one (1) point for each dog or bitch beaten including one (1) for your dog or bitch, to a maximum of twenty-five (25) points per show

8.2 **Most Successful Alaskan Malamute**

Most Successful Alaskan Malamute will be awarded to the Dog or Bitch which has the highest number of points from their ten (10) best shows submitted.

Points will be awarded to Best of Breed and Challenge winners on the basis of one (1) point for every dog or bitch beaten including one (1) for your own dog, to a maximum of twenty-five (25) points per show.

8.3 **Class awards**

Awards will also be given for:

Best Baby Puppy - Dog and Bitch	Best Minor Puppy – Dog and Bitch
Best Puppy – Dog and Bitch	Best Junior – Dog and Bitch
Best Intermediate – Dog and Bitch	Best Australian Bred - Dog and Bitch
Best Open – Dog and Bitch	

Class points will be allocated as follows: 1 point for every dog or bitch beaten in your class 1st, 2nd and 3rd placings including one (1) for your exhibit, also one (1) point for every exhibit of the opposite sex if you take your class of breed, to a maximum of twenty-five (25) points per show. *Example: If there are 6 exhibits shown in a class, 1st wins six (6) points, 2nd five (5) points, 3rd four (4) points. If this 1st place winner then wins its class of breed and four (4) of the opposite sex were shown, it gains a total of ten (10) points.*



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Register of Achievement Guidelines

The aim of the Register of Achievement is to recognise Alaskan Malamutes in Australia that have achieved to an outstanding level in a particular field or over a range of fields. A record of the Alaskan Malamutes who qualify for the Register of Achievement will be kept in a dedicated record book which will include a photograph and profile on those Alaskan Malamutes. Recognition of all Alaskan Malamutes who qualify for the Register of Achievement will also be published in the "Malamute Mail". There is no application fee. The guidelines for the AMCV Register of Achievement are as follows:

To qualify for the AMCV Register of Achievement the Alaskan Malamute* must have fulfilled the criteria of **AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING FIVE METHODS:**

Method 1:

- 1.1 Grand Champion or 1000 point Champion
PLUS
- 1.2 Any one achievement from the List of Qualifying Criteria below.

Method 2:

- 2.1 Australian Champion Title (or equivalent title)
PLUS
- 2.2 Any two achievements from the List of Qualifying Criteria below

Method 3:

- 3.1 Australian Champion Title (or equivalent title)
PLUS
- 3.2 Any Working Dog Excellent title or Obedience Excellent title (e.g. Working Weight-Pull Dog Excellent, Companion Dog Excellent)

Method 4:

- 4.1 Any Working Dog Excellent title or Obedience Excellent title (e.g. Working Weight-Pull Dog Excellent, Companion Dog Excellent)
PLUS
- 4.2 Any two achievements from the List of Qualifying Criteria below (but not in the same field as the Excellent title used to qualify under point 4.1)

Method 5: Any 4 achievements from the List of Qualifying Criteria below.

List of Qualifying Criteria:

- Best In Show (Championship Show, minimum entry 500)
- Best In Specialty Championship Show
- Companion Dog
- Utility Dog
- Agility Dog
- Endurance Title
- Canine Good Citizen
- Working Pack Dog (AMCV or equivalent)
- Working Weight-pull Dog (AMCV or equivalent)
- Working Lead Dog (AMCV or equivalent)
- Working Team Dog (AMCV or equivalent)
- Dog that has sired, or Bitch that has whelped, 3 or more Australian Champions (or equivalent title)

* *Alaskan Malamutes must be purebred and registered with the ANKC to be eligible for inclusion in the AMCV Register of Achievement.*

The AMCV Committee will consider achievements which are not included on the above list if accompanied by suitable supporting documentation.

HOW TO REGISTER

Applications for the AMCV Register of Achievement, are to be submitted in writing to the Secretary for the consideration of the Committee. All applications are to be accompanied by supporting documentation of the dog's achievements, a copy of the registration certificate and a photograph.

Please note that the AMCV's ROA suffix is not to be used until the applicant has received confirmation of approval by the AMCV Committee, and may not be used in ANKC publications.

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PUPPY REGISTER



Litters registered on the AMCV Puppy Register comply with the following guidelines:

- The owner of the dam (mother of the litter) must have been an AMCV member for at least the last 6 months;
- Both sire and dam (father & mother) must have been x-rayed and passed for Hip Dysplasia;
- Both parents of the litter must be purebred, registered Alaskan Malamutes.
- All puppies on the register are to be sold with registration papers (either main or limited register).

Breeder	Location	Contact	Sire	Dam	Whelped	Available
Brett White	Mt Eccles, Victoria	Phone: 03 5668 6312 Mob. 0428 681 513 Email: brett-and-kate@aussiebroadband.com.au	Chimo Reflection of Louie	Kaasha Frozen Amira	26/7/11	5 males



GUIDELINES FOR BREEDERS' DIRECTORY

AMCV members are invited to register their kennel for a one year period for a fee of \$25.00. Entries remain in the directory for the entire year regardless of the availability of litters from the breeder. The owner(s) of the kennel must have been a member for at least the last 3 months for the breeders' directory advertisement to be accepted.

Breeders who are listed on the AMCV breeders' directory are required to notify the AMCV secretary (within 28 days) of any litters whelped under their prefix and provide copies of hip evaluation reports for both Sire and dam of that litter. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of their breeders' directory listing for a period of 12 months or at the committee's discretion - No refund will be given.

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GUIDELINES FOR PUPPY REGISTER

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- Both parents of the litter must be purebred, registered Alaskan Malamutes.
- All puppies on the register are to be sold with registration papers (either Main or Limited register)

Members advertising on the Breeders' puppy and stud dog registers are reminded that they are required to comply with the AMCV Code of Ethics and Hip Dysplasia Control Program. Failure to do so could result in cancellation of the advertisement. Advertisements will be placed on the AMCV website unless the AMCV Secretary has been notified otherwise.



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