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

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or mail to: **PO Box 41, Hurstbridge VIC 3099**

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 bred dogs and in particular the Alaskan Malamute.
- (c) to promote and raise the standards and exhibition of registered pure bred 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 to 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 purposes of the Club generally;
- (k) to provide awards and donate prizes for competition 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 the invest the funds of the Club not immediately required in such manner as the members or the Committee in lieu thereof shall determine;
- (o) to purchase, hire, lease, etc. and do such things as are conducive or incidental to promoting and achieving the purposes of the Club;
- (p) to carry on such other activities or promote or encourage interest in the 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.

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President's Message

Welcome to the April 2012 edition of the Malamute Mail.

The year is off and running and Easter is upon us already. I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Easter, and ask you to remember chocolate is toxic to dogs.

Our working season is commencing, with a picnic hike, Activities Day and Open Show already held, and sledding training, weight pulls and a hike soon to come.

If you're paying attention to the calendar of events, you might notice a couple of new things. Firstly, the American Staffordshire Terrier Club of Victoria (ASTCV) will be conducting their own weight pull competitions this year. We've agreed to work with them and will be including several of their pulls in our point score. We feel the arrangement will be mutually beneficial (gives our members an extra event to compete at and reduces our workload).

And secondly, the Falls Creek Sled Dog Race will be held on the same weekend as our club Snow Fun Weekend. Unfortunately, this date has been dictated by the Falls Creek Village and not the Race Committee. Despite several of our Committee committed to the Falls race in various capacities and other snow weekend regulars not able to attend it will still go ahead, however the AMCV will not be conducting any activities for members this year so please bring your own equipment along.

I'd like to extend a personal invitation to every member who has never come along to any "working" activity, to come along to any of them, bring your dog, take a look, and see whether you think you and your dog might enjoy getting involved. The camaraderie between members and the joy of dogs participating will convince to give it a go.

Canberra Royal commanded a smaller than usual breed entry. Congrats to Dan & Olivia Ciguenza taking Best in Show, a prestigious and deserved win.

Our Show Secretary, Sharen McPhan, has been busy organizing our Open Show AND organising our 2012 Champ Show Judge - we've been given a wonderful opportunity to subcontract an American Judge, reputedly well versed in Spitz breeds, so we hope to see a great entry whilst incurring minimal expense.

Our calendar is jam packed with winter fun as usual – so I hope to see you out and about enjoying your Club!

Enjoy your Malamute!

Ian Luke



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:

Members' 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 |

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

Vale Notice (quarter page) Free
Normal rates apply for full and half pages.

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.

WORKING DOG TITLES

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. Application forms for AMCV Working Dog Titles can be obtained from the Secretary or can be downloaded from the AMCV website Documents & Forms page at www.amcv.org.au.

NEW CHAMPIONS

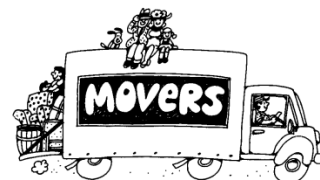
Members whose Alaskan Malamutes have gained an Obedience Title, Australian Champion Title, Grand Champion Title or have become a 500 point Champion are eligible for a medallion from the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc. in recognition of their Malamutes achievement.

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 41
Hurstbridge VIC 3099
or by email to
amcv@bigpond.com.au



Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc.
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GENERAL MEETING

When: 7.30 pm, Thursday, 19 July 2012
Where: Bulla Exhibition Centre – Calabria Club
5 Uniting Lane, Bulla
Melways Map Reference 177 F8

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Previous Meetings held on 24 March 2011 & 29 March 2012
3. Correspondence
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Vice Presidents' & Co-ordinators' Reports:
6. General Business
7. Any other business

Members are welcome to bring a plate of supper.



Welcome New Members!

Martin Cord

Brett & Leanne Smith

Anna Paxton & Ben Martin

2012 Meeting Dates

| | |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Tuesday, 1 May | Committee |
| Tuesday, 5 June | Committee |
| Thursday, 19 July | General / Committee* |
| Tuesday, 28 August | Committee |
| Thursday, 11 October | AGM / Committee* |
| Tuesday, 13 November | Committee |

From the Secretary

Membership Renewals

Memberships are due for renewal on 1 July 2012. Please note that members who are late in submitting their renewals may receive their August issue of the Malamute Mail later than those who renew on time. Members who do not renew their membership will not receive the August issue. Membership payments will now be accepted by direct deposit into the AMCV bank account – details are provided on the membership form.

Change to AMCV Show Point Score Competition Rules

At the General Meeting of 29 March 2012, the Members voted to exclude the AMCV Championship Show from the Show Point Score Competition. This amendment will take effect as of the 2013 competition.

ANKC Update – Microchipping of Puppies

Breeders are reminded that as per ANKC Regulation part 6, section 5.3 "Effective from 1 January 2012 all pedigree dogs whelped in Australia must be microchipped prior to registration on the national database." This refers to the date of registration, and NOT the date of whelping. DOGS Victoria will not accept handwritten microchip numbers so all litters lodged must include a bar code sticker or implant certificate for each puppy.

From Dogs Victoria:

Have your say on dog breeding regulations

The Bureau of Animal Welfare, Department of Primary Industries, is undertaking a review of the Code of Practice for the Operation of Breeding and Rearing Establishments. You are invited to attend their public discussion forum. Seating is limited to 120. Only the first 120 RSVPs will be accepted. No admittance without prior RSVP.

Date: April 12, 2012 Time: 10am-12.30pm Venue: Lecture Theatre, DPI, Knoxfield, 621 Burwood Highway, Knoxfield Victoria, 3180
Cost: Free RSVP: by COB 5th April to animal.welfare@dpi.vic.gov.au.

Rainbow Bridge

We say a sad farewell to the following Malamutes who have now passed over the rainbow bridge, and our sympathies go to their owners on the loss of their much-loved family member.

Makhani

Chizana Black Feather

owned by Kevin & Simone Ryan

Coco

Ch Chizana Diamond of Hope

owned by Alicia & Michael Mann

Teya

Niltaran Coolrup Kuteya

owned by Nicole & Lorraine Green

2012 Activities Calendar

Please note changes to Obedience dates

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 |
|-----------|-----------|--------|---------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| APRIL | Tuesday | 17 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | Bulla |
| | Saturday | 21 | <i>Weight Pull</i> | <i>Weight Pull Competition 1 (Am Staff Club)</i> | KCC Park |
| | Sat / Sun | 28/29 | Sledding | Sledding Training weekend | You Yangs |
| MAY | Tuesday | 1 | Meeting | Committee | Bulla |
| | Saturday | 5 | Weight Pull | Weight Pull Competition 2 | KCC Park |
| | Saturday | 12 | Backpacking | Day Hike 2 | Blackwood |
| | Saturday | 19 | Sledding | Sled Dog Race - Event 1 + sledding training | You Yangs |
| | Sunday | 20 | Sledding | Sled Dog Race - Event 2 | You Yangs |
| | Sat / Sun | 2 / 3 | Sledding | Sled Dog Race - Event 3 + sledding training | Ashbourne |
| JUNE | Tuesday | 5 | Meeting | Committee | Bulla |
| | Sat - Mon | 9-11 | <i>Sledding</i> | <i>Northern Victorian Sled Dog Classic</i> | <i>Kialla West</i> |
| | Sat / Sun | 23/24 | <i>Sledding</i> | <i>Gold Seekers Sled Dog Race – Event 4</i> | <i>TBA</i> |
| | Saturday | 30 | Sledding | Sled Dog Race - Event 5 + sledding training | One Eye |
| | Sunday | 1 | Sledding | Sled Dog Race - Event 6 | One Eye |
| JULY | Sat / Sun | 14 /15 | Sledding | State Cup – 3 heat race – Event 7 | Knowsley |
| | Sunday | 15 | <i>Weight Pull*</i> | <i>Weight Pull Competition (Am Staff Club)*</i> | KCC Park |
| | Thursday | 19 | Meeting | General & Committee | Bulla |
| | Sat / Sun | 28/29 | Sledding Long Distance | Excellence Heats 1 & 2 / Excursion | Ballan |
| | Sat / Sun | 4/5 | Activities / Social | Snow Weekend | Dinner Plain |
| AUGUST | Sat / Sun | 11/12 | <i>Sledding</i> | <i>A5K Snow Race</i> | <i>Dinner Plain</i> |
| | Sat / Sun | 25/26 | Sledding Long Distance | Excellence / Excursion | Knowsley |
| | Tuesday | 28 | Meeting | Committee | Bulla |
| | Saturday | 1 | Backpacking | Day Hike 3 | You Yangs |
| SEPTEMBER | Sunday | 2 | <i>Weight Pull</i> | <i>Weight Pull Event 3 (Am Staff Club)</i> | KCC Park |
| | Sunday | 9 | Activities | Activities Introduction & Breed Information | Templestowe |
| | Sunday | 16 | Weight Pull | Weight Pull Competition 4 – Tuggy Shield | KCC Park |
| | Sunday | 30 | Show | AMCV Championship Show | KCC Park |
| | Sunday | 7 | Weight Pull | Weight Pull Competition 5 | KCC Park |
| OCTOBER | Wednesday | 10 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | KCC Park |
| | Thursday | 11 | Meeting | Annual General / Committee | Bulla |
| | Saturday | 13 | Backpacking | 1-day hike | TBA |
| | Tuesday | 23 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | Bulla |
| | Sat - Mon | 3-5 | Backpacking | 3-day Hike | TBA |
| NOVEMBER | Wednesday | 7 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | KCC Park |
| | Sunday | 11 | Show Activities Obedience | Members Competition Activities Introduction & Breed Information Obedience competition | Bulla |
| | Tuesday | 13 | Meeting | Committee | Bulla |
| | Tuesday | 20 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | Bulla |
| | Sunday | 2 | Christmas Fun Day | Includes BBQ, Funny classes & Agility Comp | Mt Macedon |
| DECEMBER | Wednesday | 5 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | KCC Park |
| | Tuesday | 11 | Obedience | Obedience Practice and Puppy Socialising | KCC Park |

NB: *Italics denotes non-AMCV event* Shading denotes Public Holidays

*not included in AMCV Annual Weight Pull Competition

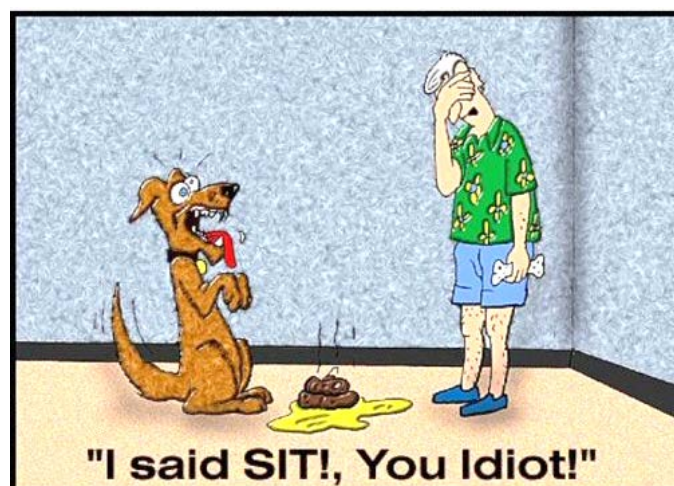
For further details please go to the AMCV Website closer to the event date, or check the next issue of the Malamute Mail.

Email: amcv@bigpond.com.au

Website: www.amcv.org.au

General Enquiries: Phone (03) 9714 8540

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.



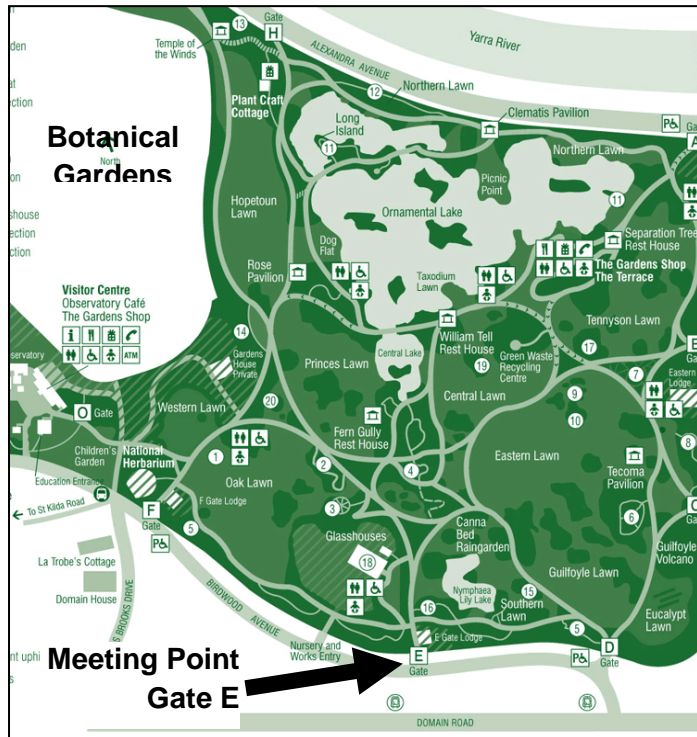
Picnic Fun Walks



Sunday, 22 April – 11.30 am
Botanical Gardens, Melbourne

Directions:

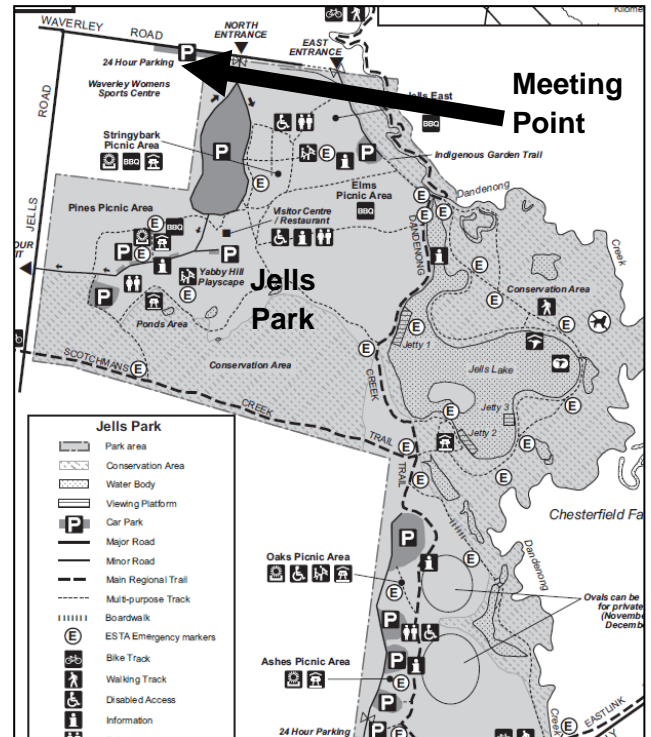
Meet at Gate E on Birdwood Avenue
 – Melways Map Reference 2L B 2



Sunday, 27 May – 11.30 am
Jells Park, Wheelers Hill

Directions:

Meet at the Waverley Womens' Sports Centre 24 hour car park.
 Entrance off Waverley Road – Melways Map Reference 71 K 6



INFORMATION FOR BOTH WALKS:

Who Can Join In?

Anyone and their dog(s) are welcome to come along. Please note that young puppies should only walk a short distance and must have had their 3rd (16 week) vaccination at least a week prior.
 All breeds and non-members welcome – PRE-REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL.

Cost: Gold coin donation

What to bring:

Bring your lunch. Your dog will require a sturdy lead & collar, water & water bowl for your dog and bags to clean up after your dog.
 PLEASE NOTE: Dogs are to be kept on lead or suitably tethered at all times and remain the responsibility of their owner/handler.

Weather & Temperature:

The event may be cancelled if the forecast temperature on the day is 30oC or over or in the case of extreme weather conditions – if so please contact the Obedience Co-ordinator or Secretary for confirmation.

Walk Etiquette:

Please remember that not everyone likes big dogs and some people may be scared of them.

- Dogs on the walk must be kept on lead at all times.
- Give way to other users of the walking path.
- You must clean up after your dog.
- Be courteous and respectful of other people and their dogs, and keep your dog at a suitable distance.
- Some areas of Jells Park and the Botanical Gardens are off limits to dogs, and dogs are NOT permitted in playgrounds or to swim in the lakes.

To register & for further information:

Contact the Obedience Coordinator Simone Dines on 0405 980 839, Secretary Sandy Koch on 9714 8540 or send an email to amcv@bigpond.com

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED - please contact Simone or Sandy if you are coming to either of the fun walks.



**These will be short easy walks
 so everyone and their dogs and
 puppies are welcome.**

Bring your picnic lunch

Sledding Training Days

You Yangs Western Plantation – Sandy Creek Road (near Little River)

Saturday, 28 April

Commencing 11.00 am

Musher 'Boot Camp'

Workshops and training runs:

Includes pull training, passing training plus training runs.

Sunday, 29 April

Commencing 10.00 am

Introduction to Sledding

Ideal for first timers & novices:

Includes introduction session on equipment, rules, sledding basics and training runs.

Who can attend? Members and non-members are welcome to attend all sessions or individual training sessions. These training sessions will assist regardless of whether you and your dog are raw beginners or experienced sledders, and whether you want to compete in sledding events or just run your dog in harness for fun and exercise.

Training runs: Training runs for novices will be short (1-2 km) BUT may take approximately 1 to 2 hours to complete depending on the number of teams participating and availability of equipment.

Sledding Rules & General Information: Participants will receive a copy of the AMCV's Sledding Introduction booklet which includes information on training, equipment, race rules, event preparation, dog health and other information about dog sledding and the events and programs the AMCV offers.



Equipment: There will be some equipment available for sale (Sunday only) or to borrow on the weekend if you do not have your own equipment, but please bring your own equipment if you have it.

The dog shop will be there on Sunday for equipment purchase or to get your dog measured for a harness. If you wish to purchase specific products on Sunday please contact Windchill Dog Gear prior to the event – windchill@bigpond.com.au. .

Camping: Camping is available on site for those who wish to stay the weekend.

Directions : to You Yangs Reserve Western Plantation, Sandy Creek Road
From Melbourne – Take the Princes Highway towards Geelong. Take the Little River turn-off and follow signs to Little River. Cross the railway line in Little River then turn left into You Yangs Road, then left into Farrars Road and right into Branch Road. At the end of Branch Road turn right into Sandy Creek Road, watch for AMCV signs on your left (approx. 2 km along Sandy Creek Road) and follow signs and diamond markers* to the race site.

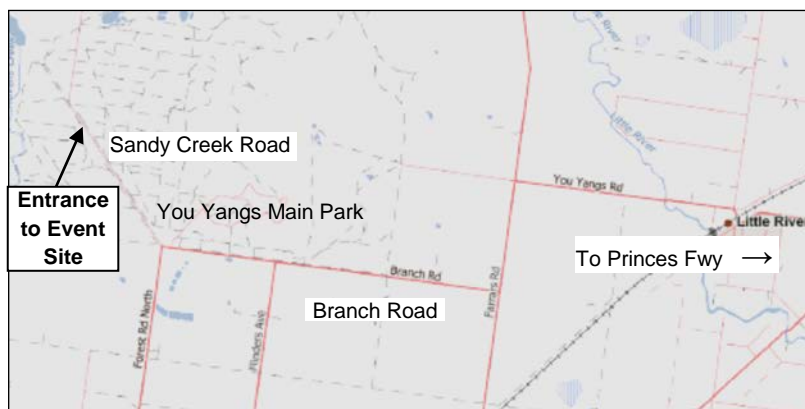
Further Information

Phone: Colin McPhan (Sledding Co-ordinator)
0438 347 513

or Sandy (Secretary) 9714 8540

Email: amcv@bigpond.com.au

Website: www.amcv.org.au



All Welcome - bring your dogs!

We also welcome non-members & other breeds

2012 SLEDDING EVENTS



| Date | Name | Venue | Schedule | Event details |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| 28/29 April | SLEDDING TRAINING DAYS | You Yangs Western Plantation | Saturday: 'Boot Camp' workshop and training runs. Sunday: Introduction to sledding for novice mushers & first timers. | Saturday 11 am to 4 pm Sunday 10 am to 2 pm Camping and social time on Saturday night – see advertisement |
| 19 May | EVENT 1 1 heat event & training | You Yangs Western Plantation <i>*Lighting required</i> | Training Workshop: 12.30 pm Check In: 3.00 pm Drivers' Meeting: 3.30 pm Start: from 4.00 pm | Approximate Distances: Novice – 1.5 km 1-dog – 3 km 2-dog – 5 km 4-dog – 8 km 6-dog – 8 km |
| 20 May | EVENT 2 1 heat event | You Yangs Western Plantation | Check In: 7.00 am Drivers' Meeting: 7.15 am *Start: 7.45 am <i>*possible earlier start for 4/6-dog classes</i> | Approximate Distances: 1-dog – 3 km 2-dog – 5 km 4-dog – 8 km 6-dog – 8 km |
| 2/3 June | EVENT 3 2 heat event | Ashbourne (near Woodend) <i>*Lighting required</i> | Saturday: Check In: 2.30pm Drivers' Meeting: 3.00pm Start: from 3.30pm Sunday: Drivers' Meeting: 7.45 am Start*: 8.00 am <i>*possible earlier start for 4/6-dog classes</i> | Approximate Distances: Novice – 2 km 1-dog – 3.5 km 2-dog – 6 km 4-dog – 9 km 6-dog – 9 km |
| 9-11 June | Northern Victorian Sled Dog Race <i>Non-AMCV Event – Pre-entry required</i> | | Further details will be available from the Northern Victorian Sled Dog Club. <i>NB: This event does NOT count towards the 2012 AMCV Sledding Point Score</i> | |
| 23/24 June | EVENT 4 - Gold Seekers Sled Dog Race <i>Non-AMCV Event – Pre-entry required</i> | | Further details will be available from the Sledding Coordinator or Goldseekers Sled Dog Club. <i>NB: This is an AMCV Sledding Point Score event</i> | |
| 30 June | EVENT 5 1 heat event | One Eye (Heathcote) <i>*Lighting required</i> | Check In: 2.00pm Drivers' Meeting: 2.30pm Start: from 3.00pm | Approximate Distances: Novice – 2 km 1-dog – 3.5 km 2-dog – 6 km 4-dog – 9 km 6-dog – 9 km |
| 1 July | EVENT 6 1 heat event | One Eye (Heathcote) <i>*Lighting required</i> | Check In: 7.30 am Drivers' Meeting: 7.45 am Start: 8.00 am <i>*possible earlier start for 4/6-dog class</i> | Approximate Distances: 1-dog – 3.5 km 2-dog – 6 km 4-dog – 9 km 6-dog – 9 km |
| 14/15 July | EVENT 7 | Knowsley (north of Heathcote) | State Cup race - 3-heat race | Details in the June newsletter |
| 28 / 29 July | LONG DISTANCE & SOCIAL WEEKEND – Please pre-register for catering & course setting purposes Short courses, Junior and Pee Wee events also offered. Saturday BBQ Lunch & training workshop | | | |
| 28 / 29 July <i>Details below</i> | EXCELLENCE EVENT <i>*Friday, 27 July - evening Drivers' Meeting</i> | Ballan <i>Pre-registration by 21 July - contact Sledding Co-ordinator</i> | Compulsory Drivers' Meeting: Friday night, 8.30 pm Start: Sat & Sun 5.00 am | Distance: 75+ km total over 2 days (3 heats of minimum. 25 km) NOTE: Pre-entry required Lighting required* |
| 28 July | EXCURSION Event 1 | Ballan | Check In: after 9.00 am | Distance: 16 -. 20 km All Classes |
| 29 July | EXCURSION Event 2 | Ballan | Check In: by 9.00 am | Distance: 16 -. 20 km All Classes |
| 4/5 Aug. | FALLS RACE | Falls Creek | Further details will be available from the Sledding Co-ordinator | <i>Non-AMCV event: Pre-entry only</i> |
| 11/12 Aug. | A5K SNOW RACE | Dinner Plain | Further details will be available from the Sledding Co-ordinator | <i>Non-AMCV event: Pre-entry only.</i> |
| 25 / 26 Aug. | LONG DISTANCE & SOCIAL WEEKEND – Knowsley | | | <i>Details in the June Malamute Mail</i> |

Please note the following for sledding events*:

**Does not apply to Private Races*

- Entries:** Entries will be taken on the day for AMCV sprint, maxi and excursion events – pre-entry required for Long distance event. Entries will not be accepted after the commencement of the Drivers' Meeting.
- Camping:** Camping will be available on-site at all venues.
- Rules:** AMCV Gig & Sled Race Rules. Drivers must wear safety helmets and carry sidecutters.
Private Races: rules available from race organisers. **NOTE:** these rules may differ from AMCV rules.
- Classes*:** Race Events: 1-dog, Limited 2-dog, Limited 4-dog, Limited 6-dog, Pee Wee, Junior, Veterans.
Excursion events (minimum 16 km): all classes run the same course (not a race).
- Lighting:** Suitable battery operated bike lighting is required. The additional use of a head lamp is also recommended. (Dynamo powered lighting is not suitable).
- Entry Fees*:** *Members:* Single heat events: \$8, Multi-heat events: \$12.00, Long Distance Events: \$5
Second entry (same driver, different class): \$5.00 (Single heat event), \$10.00 (multi-heat event)
Season Ticket: \$50, Second Season ticket (same Driver): \$35. (covers all AMCV sledding events)
Non-members: Single heat events: \$10, Multi-heat events: \$15, Long Distance Events: \$8.
Pee Wee, Junior & Veterans: \$2 (Members and Non-members)

Obedience Practice & Puppy Socialising

Being held in conjunction with the Rottweiler Club of Victoria.

No Malamute is too young or old to learn...

- What to Bring:** Your dog, limited-slip collar or strong fixed collar (correction collars are not recommended for positive approach training, however may be used if handler prefers), 4 foot (120cm) lead, plenty of soft treats (such as diced cooked sausage) water and water bowl for your dog.
- Venue:** When you get to the venue (listed below), please look around for the Rottweiler Club registration area.
- Restrictions:** Puppies must be at least 13 weeks of age – please bring proof of vaccination. Dogs must be kept on lead at all times and remain the responsibility of the owner.
- Costs:** \$5 per session, or \$20 for 5 sessions.
- When:** Obedience practice sessions are scheduled for the following dates:

| Date | Starting | Venue / Directions |
|--------------------|----------|--|
| Wednesday, 4 April | 7.00 pm | KCC Park , Westernport Highway, Skye (1.5 km south of Thompsons Rd) <i>Melways Map Ref. 128 H 12</i> |
| Tuesday, 17 April* | 7.00 pm | Bulla: Calabria Club, 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla <i>Melways Map Ref. 177 F8</i> |

*Please note change to Bulla obedience date.



Equipment

- Limited-slip or **STRONG** fixed collar preferred
- Lots of small soft treats for your dog!
- Webbing or leather lead – 4 foot (120 cm)
- Bowl and water for your dog

Optional:

- Long lead (8 - 12 foot) for stay and recall exercises.

Basic Rules

All obedience participants are required to abide by the following rules:

- The use of pinch or prong collars is strictly prohibited.
- Dogs must be kept on lead at all times.
- You must always clean up after your dog
- Have some means of tethering your dog, preferably by chain or cable, whether it be to your car or a secure dog-stake.
- Bring along water and a waterbowl for your dog.
- Never bring a sick dog to any event.
- ABUSE OF DOGS IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN - physical or verbal.
- Approach other dogs with caution – Malamutes are not always going to be friendly towards each other.
- Bait may be used discretely – dropped bait must be picked up immediately.
- Respect other dog's space and watch that you are keeping your dog at a reasonable distance from others at all times.

Further Information: Email: amcv@bigpond.com.au or phone the Obedience Co-ordinator, Simone on 0405 980 839 or the Secretary, Sandy on 9714 8540.

ALL WELCOME

Young, old, obedient
or naughty dogs, we
want to see them all
there!

You do not need to be a
member or have a registered
Malamute to join in, other
breeds also welcome.

NOTE: Obedience practice sessions will be cancelled if the temperature forecast for the day of the event is for 30°C or over, or in extreme weather conditions. Please phone for confirmation.

Weight-Pull Events

ENTRIES TAKEN ON THE DAY – NO PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED

Venue:

KCC Park - Westernport Highway (Dandenong-Hastings Road), Skye
(Approx. 1.5 km south of Thompsons Road roundabout) 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 & ASTCV have weight pull harnesses available in a range of sizes that competitors can hire for the event (fees below).



| Event No. | Date | Venue | Registration / Weigh-In | Start Time |
|-----------|---------------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|
| Event 1* | Saturday, 21 April | KCC PARK | 9.45 – 10.15 AM | 10.30 AM |
| Event 2 | Saturday, 5 May | KCC PARK | 9.45 – 10.15 AM | 10.30 AM |
| ASTCV* | Sunday, 15 July | KCC PARK | 10.15 – 10.45 AM | 11.00 AM |
| Event 3 | Sunday, 2 September | KCC PARK | 9.45 – 10.15 AM | 10.30 AM |
| Event 4* | Sunday, 7 October | KCC PARK | 9.45 – 10.15 AM | 10.30 AM |

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

Event 4 2012 - 7 October 2012 will count towards the 2013 Annual Weight Pull Competition

*Events being conducted by the American Staffordshire Terrier Club of Victoria (ASTCV). The ASTCV event on 15 July is not included in the AMCV Annual Weight Pull Competition.

Registration, Weigh-in and Practice: Competitors are asked to arrive in plenty of time to register, weigh-in and hire equipment if necessary. Competitors are welcome to practise in the weight-pull chute prior to commencement of the event.

PLEASE NOTE THAT LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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 / ASTCV Members:

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

Non-members:

First entry \$12.00, subsequent entries \$10.00

Harness Hire Fees:

\$5.00 per harness, plus \$15.00 bond
(bond is refundable upon return of harness)

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.

Weight Classes*:

- Up to 36 kg class
- 36 – 45 kg class
- 46 - 55 kg class
- Unlimited class

*Additional weight class will be available for Am Staffs only.

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

Further Information: Email: amcv@bigpond.com.au

Phone: Di Mitchell 0439 540 981 or Sandy Koch 9714 8540

ALL BREEDS WELCOME

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.

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

Class Awards

Class awards will be determined on the basis of a dog's highest four (4)* weights pulled in that weight class out of the maximum five (5) eligible events*. A dog that has competed in less than four (4) 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 four (4) results* achieved in any of the weight classes from the five (5) eligible events*.

Results will be calculated to 2 (two) decimal places.

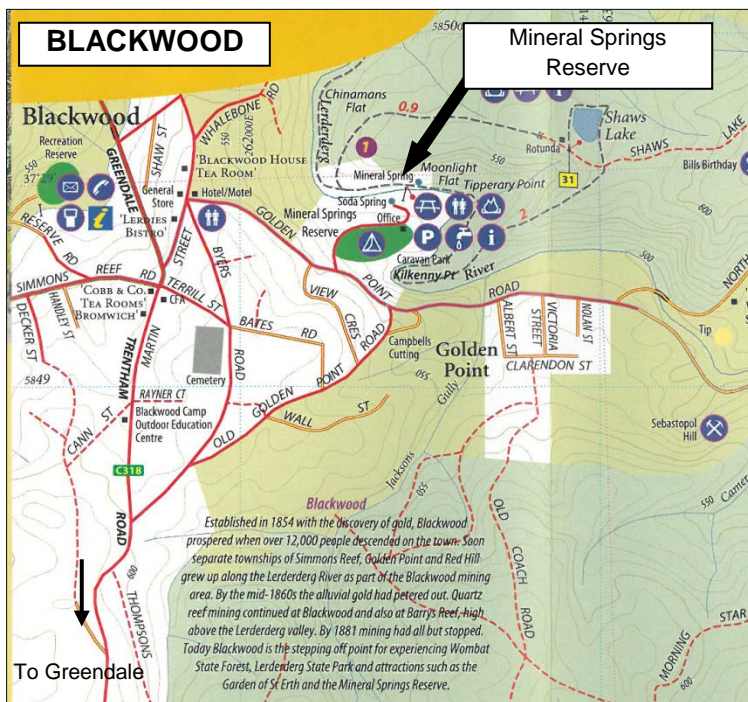
In the event of a tie a joint award will be provided.

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.

BACKPACKING EVENT – 1-DAY HIKE



Saturday, 12 May at BLACKWOOD

Mineral Springs reserve, Golden Point Road

Please arrive by 8.30 am to register

Hike starting at 9.00 am sharp – do not arrive late!

Hike Distance: **Approximately 16 km**

Terrain: **Generally undulating with one steeper section**

NOTE: Please notify the Backpacking Coordinator if you are interested in coming in case the event needs to be cancelled or rescheduled.

How to get there:

From Melbourne: follow the Western Highway past Myrniong. Take the Greendale turn-off and turn right, heading under the freeway. Continue along Greendale Trentham Road to Blackwood, go to Town centre in Blackwood. Turn right at the Motel onto Golden point Road then taking the left turn to the caravan park then proceed straight ahead to Mineral Springs Reserve. Hike registration will be on your right at the far end of the picnic ground.

Who can participate:

ALL DOGS OVER 12 MONTHS OLD WELCOME.

Please note that dogs must be 18 months old to carry weight to the Working Pack Dog title standard.

New members & non-members are welcome to come along. 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.

Extreme Weather Policy

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

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.

Facilities at Mineral Springs Reserve:

Toilets, Picnic tables.

Cost:

\$3.00 per member or \$5.00 per Family and \$2.50 per car for entry to reserve

Backpack Hire:

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

Further information: Phone Stuart Vanderpol on 0413 118 305 or Sandy on 9714 8540, or send an email to amcv@bigpond.com.au

NOTE: THE EVENT MAY BE CANCELLED IF THE FORECAST TEMPERATURE IS 25°C OR OVER.

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

Working Pack Dog Title: This backpacking day will be a qualifying event for the Working Pack Dog title and Associate Working Dog Certificate for dogs over 18 months of age only. 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 mold 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.

Snow Weekend

*Come along
for some fun
in the snow!*



4th & 5th August 2012 at Dinner Plain

Members and their Malamutes are again invited to come along to the AMCV's annual Snow Weekend at Dinner Plain.

This is a casual, fun weekend in the snow with your Malamutes and gives them the opportunity to experience their natural environment. For this weekend only members and their Malamutes are covered by the AMCV Dog Permit issued by the Alpine Shire, but at other times you must obtain your own dog permit to avoid incurring a fine.

ACCOMMODATION

Members who wish to participate in our Snow Weekend will need to organise their own accommodation. Accommodation is available at Dinner Plain or half an hour's drive away at Omeo. For accommodation at Dinner Plain phone Accommodation at Dinner Plain 5159 6556 or Accommodation Services of Dinner Plain on 0351596696 or 1800 444 066,

Website: www.accommdinnerplain.com.au

The Omeo Caravan Park can be contacted on 03 5159 1351 – this is a large caravan park with some cabins and on-site vans, as well as numerous powered sites, and the owners are very tolerant of our dogs! Accommodation is also available Harrietteville (approx. 1 hour drive from Dinner Plain via Mt Hotham), however this road is very windy, subject to closure and should not be used if you are towing a trailer.

VEHICLE ACCESS TO DINNER PLAIN

Dinner Plain is 13 km south-east of Mt Hotham on the road to Omeo. You can either drive to Dinner Plain via Omeo or Harrietteville, however the road from Omeo is a much easier drive.

SNOW CHAINS MUST BE CARRIED ON BOTH ROADS - chains can be hired in Bairnsdale/Omeo or Bright/Harrietteville.

Please note that vehicles towing trailers should not use the Harrietteville-Mt Hotham Road - this road can be treacherous and is subject to closure at short notice due to weather conditions. Those towing trailers are strongly advised to access Dinner Plain via Omeo - this is an easier drive and the road is not nearly as exposed to the weather or prone to closure.

DOGS AT DINNER PLAIN

As a club member, your dogs will be covered by the Dog Permit granted to the Alaskan Malamute Club. Dogs that do not belong to

members may not be brought to Dinner Plain unless the owner has arranged their own dog permit. Please note that the AMCV Dog Permit for Dinner Plain will only extend from Friday to Sunday August (inclusive). Those wishing to extend their stay must obtain their own Dog Permit - contact the Alpine Shire on (03) 5755 0555 for details.

We are very fortunate that we are able to take our dogs to Dinner Plain and we want to keep it that way. We must ask all who attend the snow weekend to adhere strictly to the following rules:

- If you are staying at Dinner Plain dogs must be accommodated overnight in vehicles or trailers in the overnight carpark at Scrubbers End to minimise disturbance to others.
- Do not block trails or roads with your dogs or equipment and always give way to skiers.
- Dogs must be on hand-held lead or in vehicles/trailers at all times. It is not permissible to stake dogs out in the Dinner Plain Resort area and dogs must never be off lead.
- On no account must any dog be allowed inside a lodge.
- Dogs must not be taken into the National Park area.

These rules are to be strictly adhered to by all members and their guests who are at Dinner Plain for our Snow Weekend, failure to do so could jeopardise the club's Snow Weekend in future years.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Sandy on 9714 8540 (mobile 0419 577 514) or email amcv@bigpond.com.au

This is an opportunity for AMCV members to bring their dogs to the snow. Due to the clash with another event, the AMCV will not be conducting any activities at the snow weekend this year, so please make your own arrangements and bring your own equipment.

The Alaskan Malamute:

Never a Prisoner

By Tommy Williams

Tommy takes us on a journey, from the moment he saw his first Malamute, to finding and obtaining Noah, his first dog, and through Noah's life until that horrible, heart breaking moment we all come to, Noah's passing.

If you've ever tried to explain to someone the relationship you have with your dog, or why your Malamute is more than "just a dog", you should have this book on your bookshelf- Tommy has found the words for you. Regardless of whether you are owned by a couch potato, a "look at me" showdog, or a harness nut, this is a great read. As well known Malamute owner and novelist Susan Conant says, Tommy has recorded "what it's like to share one's life with a creature of the Arctic...with passionate intensity...if you've ever owned a dog, you will love this book".

The book is available in ebook format at Amazon.com or in printed format at CreateSpace.com.

Book Review



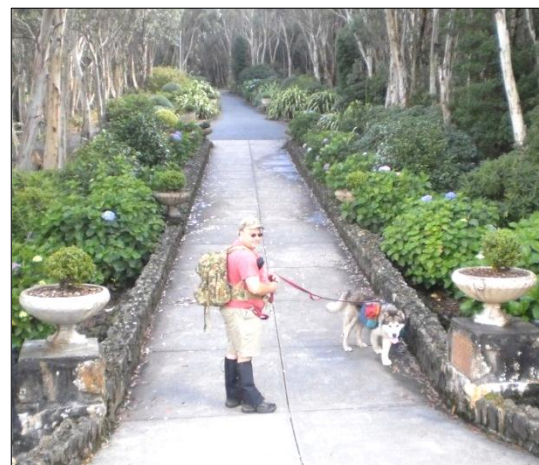
Picnic Fun Walk

The first fun walk event for the year was held on a lovely day at Mt Macedon, and was enjoyed by Simon & Jennine with Bronson & Ripley, Stuey & Panda, Ralph & Bosco and Sandy with Wuggy.



Macedon Hike

The first 16 km hike was also held at Mt Macedon, with Kelly & Courtney with Sass and Stuart with Buffy coming along just for fun, and Sandy with Wuggy (aka Plugger) who completed the first leg towards his Working Pack Dog title.



Health update



CANCER: We can treat it!

*Dog Owners and Breeders Symposium University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine, July 29, 2000
Leslie E. Fox, DVM, MS Associate Professor*

The goal of cancer therapy for companion animals is to control the tumour while maintaining or improving the quality of life of the pet. A recent Morris Animal Foundation survey found that cancer was the most common cause of death due to disease in companion animals. Almost 500 dogs died from cancer in a study of 2,000 dogs that had autopsies after death. In fact, 40% of the patients seen by the internal medicine service at the University of Florida Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital are presented for evaluation of their cancers.

The best plan for the treatment is most often determined using a team approach. The pet's owner, the medical oncologist, the surgeon, the radiation therapist, the anaesthesiologist and often other specialists such as the oncology nurse, work together to make sure that every aspect of the patient's medical condition is taken into consideration. Our pets are very fortunate in that they can receive many of the same therapies that have been developed for human family members. Response to therapy is often rapid and life-saving. Surgical excision or radiation therapy is typically the most effective for treating localized lumps or masses. Chemotherapy is the mainstay for the treatment of systemic or metastatic cancer that has spread throughout the body. It can be used alone or in combination with other therapies. A few examples of other therapies include hyperthermia, photodynamic therapy, immunotherapy, and gene therapy.

Surgery

For many types of cancer, particularly skin tumours, surgical excision offers the best chance for a cure. Surgery can be used to obtain a tissue sample for a biopsy diagnosis. Additionally, surgery can be used to debulk a tumour so that other treatments such as radiation therapy can be more effective. Sometimes partial removal of a mass (called palliation) may help the animal walk or eat more effectively and therefore improve its quality of life, even though it does not prolong the time an animal lives. Patients with some tumours such as sunlight-associated skin tumours (hemangiomas and squamous cell carcinomas) have an excellent prognosis when treated with complete surgical excision. Prognosis depends on the size and location of the lesion. The dog can be cured if the tumour is removed when it is small < 1cm. Complete excision of an oral squamous cell carcinoma results in an increase in median survival time* from a few months without surgery to 9-18 months with surgery depending on the location and size of the tumour and age of the dog.

**A median survival time of five months that one-half of the animals have died within five months after they have been diagnosed with cancer and one-half will live longer than five months after diagnosis.*

Chemotherapy

Chemotherapy is generally well tolerated by small animal patients. The most chemoresponsive tumours are lymphoma, mast cell tumors, osteosarcoma, and some carcinomas. When treated with a multidrug protocol involving weekly injections and/or oral treatments for nine weeks followed by twice monthly maintenance drug therapy, dogs with lymphoma have a median survival time of about one year. Twenty-five percent of dogs will live two years. If a dog is diagnosed with lymphoma and not treated, it will typically live only 30-60 days.

Combination Therapy

Combination therapy often provides better tumour control than using any of the treatments alone. An excellent example of the effectiveness of combining therapies is the use of either surgery and chemotherapy or surgery and immunotherapy to treat osteosarcoma, a bone tumour of dogs. Osteosarcoma is typically a tumour of middle-aged large purebred dogs. The most common site for osteosarcoma is found at the distal radius. Amputation of the affected limb is recommended to remove the source of pain for the animal; however, amputation of the affected limb does not improve survival (median survival time of 2-4 months). Microscopic tumour cells are present in the lungs at the time of diagnosis which grow and eventually lead to the dog's demise if left untreated. If dogs are treated with four or five doses of chemotherapy such as carboplatin (after limb amputation) then they have a median survival time of 12-14 months. When a dog's own immune system is stimulated to kill tumour cells, the treatment or immunotherapy is associated with fewer adverse effects. When dogs with osteosarcoma are treated twice weekly injections of the immunostimulant L-MTP-PE (muramyltripeptide) after limb amputation their median survival time is extended from 2-4 months to about 8 months. The only adverse effect is a mild fever after some of the injections.

Gene Therapy

Gene therapy is an area of intense interest in human oncology. The idea behind gene therapy is that special genetic material (DNA) is placed in tumour cells (usually by a vector like a virus) that results in the death of those tumour cells and some of the surrounding non-involved tumour cells as well. Gene therapy has been successful for the treatment of oral melanoma in dogs. Unfortunately, gene therapy is not widely available yet for dogs*.

**The AKC Canine Health Foundation is currently funding research studies in cancer and canine genetics. For more information on these studies, refer to the website or for sponsored research programs or request a copy of AKC/CHF currently sponsored research.*

Radiation Therapy

Radiation therapy has been used for decades in the treatment of human patients with cancer. Radiation can be delivered to the tumour in a number of ways. Brachytherapy is a type of radiation therapy where the source of the radiation is implanted within the tumour itself and is then removed after a few days. Radiation sources implanted in a tumour can be used to deliver very high doses to the tumour while sparing normal surrounding tissues. Soft tissue tumours such as fibrosarcomas may be treated effectively with brachytherapy. Radioactive materials (iodine 131) can be injected systemically and are useful for treating hyperthyroidism in cats and some bone tumours in dogs. Radiation can be delivered from a machine across a distance to the patient. This is called teletherapy. Although it is effective for local control of tumours, similar to surgery, surrounding normal tissue may be damaged as well. To minimize toxicity, pets are treated with low radiation doses three times a week for 3-5 weeks under general anaesthesia. A new form of radiation therapy, conformal stereotactic radiation therapy, involves the delivery of radiation to the tumour with a margin of 1 mm of normal tissue. Use of a single high radiation dose delivered to conform to the shape of the tumour is being evaluated currently. This new form of therapy will be safer, more effective, and more pleasant for the owner and pet.

Many wonderful, promising new anticancer therapies become available almost on a daily basis for our pets; however, we know that all of the available therapies work best when the tumour is small (preferably microscopic). In both veterinary and human oncology, the best weapon in the fight against cancer is early detection. Below are some of the early warning signs that you can look for in your own companion animals. These will help you detect cancer while it is still optimally treatable.

Early Warning Signs of Cancer in Our Pets

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|--|--|
| 1. Lump present more than 1 month | 6. Weight loss |
| 2. Open wound with or without bloody discharge | 7. Lack of desire to exercise or weak when exercises |
| 3. Bad odours especially bad breath | 8. Persistent lameness |
| 4. Loss of interest in food | 9. Difficulty breathing or persistent cough |
| 5. Difficulty swallowing | 10. Difficulty urinating or defecating |

Adapted from the Veterinary Cancer Society Warning Signs

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Mally Snaps



Amelie with Abby and old boy Sisko
Thank you to Kearin Guziak for sending in this photo.



Kaila the Malamute with her little friend Molly
Thank you to Cara Gifford for sending in this photo.

Got a cute or funny photo of your Mally that you'd like to share? Please email it to us at info@amcv.org.au - we'd love to see it!

AMCV REGISTER OF ACHIEVEMENT

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

CH KATAKU HURRICANE WILFRED WPD WTD WWPDX ROA

“Wilfred”

Sire: Katakau Avalanche
Dam: Ch Katakau Fire N Fury
Whelped: 4/6/2007
Owner: I Luke
Breeder: Katakau Kennels
Achievements: Australian Champion
 Best in Specialty Show
 Working Team Dog (AMCV)
 Working Pack Dog (AMCV)
 Working Weight Pull Dog
 Excellent (AMCV)



Amazing Dog Facts - Did you Know...



- 🐾 A dog's heart beats between 70 and 120 times a minute, compared with a human heart which beats 70 to 80 times a minute.
- 🐾 According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the smallest dog on record was a Yorkshire Terrier in Great Britain who, at the age of 2, weighed just 4 ounces.
- 🐾 The longest lived dog, according to the Guinness Book of World Records, was an Australian Cattle Dog, named Bluey, who lived to be 29.
- 🐾 An adult dog has 42 teeth.
- 🐾 It is a myth that dogs are color blind. They can actually see in color, just not as vividly as humans. It is akin to our vision at dusk.
- 🐾 The only sweat glands a dog has are between the paw pads.
- 🐾 In 1957, Laika became the first living being in space via an earth satellite
- 🐾 A dog's smell is more than 100,000 times stronger than that of a human's
- 🐾 Chocolate contains a substance known as theobromine (similar to caffeine) which can kill dogs or at the very least make them violently ill.
- 🐾 Dogs' sense of hearing is more than ten times more acute than a human's
- 🐾 Dogs were the first animals domesticated by people.
- 🐾 A greyhound can run as fast as 45 miles an hour.
- 🐾 Spaying/neutering your dog before the age of 6 months can help prevent cancer in your dog.
- 🐾 Eighty percent of dog owners buy their dog a present for holidays and birthdays. More than half of them sign letters and cards from themselves and their pets.
- 🐾 The dog name "Fido" is from Latin and means "fidelity."
- 🐾 Most pet owners (94 percent) say their pet makes them smile more than once a day.
- 🐾 Dogs are mentioned 14 times in the Bible.
- 🐾 It has been established that people who own pets live longer, have less stress, and have fewer heart attacks.
- 🐾 Seventy percent of people sign their pet's name on greeting cards and 58 percent include their pets in family and holiday portraits, according to a survey done by the American Animal Hospital Association.
- 🐾 Dogs can smell about 1,000 times better than humans. While humans have 5 million smell-detecting cells, dogs have more than 220 million. The part of the brain that interprets smell is also four times larger in dogs than in humans.

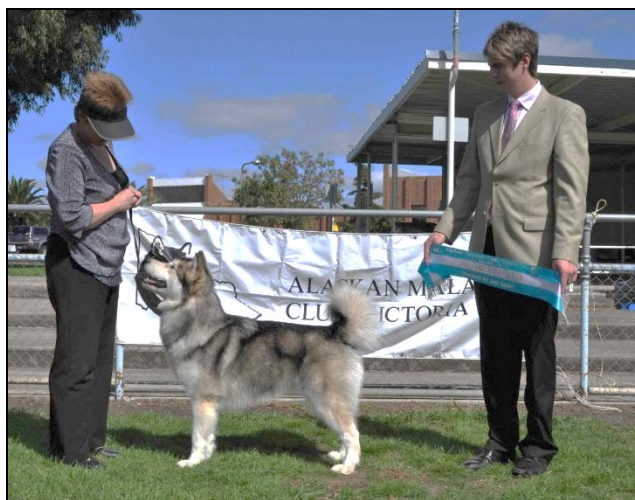
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Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc.

OPEN SHOW RESULTS

18 March 2012 –Bulla Exhibition Centre

Judge: **Mr Anthony Price****Champion Dog**

1. CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ET
Owned & Bred by: S McPhan
2. CH KATAKU HURRICANE WILFRED
Owned by: I Luke Bred by: Katakunls

Baby Puppy Dog

1. TANOME LEGEND OF THE KNIGHT (AI)
Owned & Bred by: S McPhan

Minor Puppy Dog

1. DARKSKY REAL WILD MOVES
Owned by: F Paton & R Surawski Bred by: R Surawski

Junior Dog

1. SOUTHRNWOLF CATCH ME IFU CAN
Owned by: A Wagenvoort & S Presland
Bred by: S Presland
2. QANNIK WIND CHILL FACTOR
Owned by: R & S Koch Bred by: L Hewat & S Cumming

Open Dog

1. GLACIUS HAND MADE (A)
Owned & Bred by: S Shewring

Best Dog: DARKSKY REAL WILD MOVES**Reserve Dog:** GLACIUS HAND MADE (A)**Champion Bitch**

1. CH DARKSKY FORGET ME NOT
Owned by: I Luke Bred by: S & S White, R Surawski

Minor Puppy Bitch

1. CHVIANSO ARCTIC NIGHT STAR
Owned by: Ms M Clark Bred by: Mr H Hsin

Puppy Bitch

1. KATAKU MYSTICAL DAWN (AI)
Owned by: I Luke Bred by: Katakunls

Intermediate Bitch

1. ATUPAKA VARU DREAM GIRL
Owned by: F Paton Bred by: B & J Bob
2. GLACIUS SONG N DANCE (AI)
Owned & Bred by: S Shewring

**Open Bitch**

1. THOMLA SWEET OOPS A DAISY
Owned & Bred by: Thomla Kennels

Best Bitch: ATUPAKA VARU DREAM GIRL**Reserve Bitch:** GLACIUS SONG N DANCE (AI)**BEST IN SHOW:** ATUPAKA VARU DREAM GIRL
(Above left)**RUNNER UP IN SHOW:** GLACIUS SONG N DANCE (AI)
(Above right)**Baby Puppy in Show:** TANOME LEGEND OF THE KNIGHT (AI)**Minor Puppy in Show:** DARKSKY REAL WILD MOVES**Puppy in Show:** KATAKU MYSTICAL DAWN (AI)**Junior in Show:** SOUTHRNWOLF CATCH ME IFU CAN**Intermediate in Show:** ATUPAKA VARU DREAM GIRL**Open in Show:** THOMLA SWEET OOPS A DAISY**Champion in Show:** CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ET**PROPERTY CLASSES****Desexed Bitch**

1. CH KEMULVAK GIDGISKY LUCIUS (A)
Owned by: S Shewring Bred by: Kemulvak Kennels

Best Gait

CH KATAKU HURRICANE WILFRED

Best Coat – Dog

CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ET

Best Coat – Bitch

GLACIUS SONG N DANCE (AI)

Best Head – Dog

CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ET

Best Head – Bitch

CHVIANSO ARCTIC NIGHT STAR

Best Tail

THOMLA SWEET OOPS A DAISY



BEST IN SHOW – BEST BITCH
Best Intermediate in Show
 ATUPAKA VARU DREAM GIRL



RUNNER UP IN SHOW – RESERVE BITCH
2nd in Intermediate Bitch & Best Coat - Bitch
 GLACIUS SONG N DANCE (AI)



BEST DOG: Minor Puppy in Show – Minor Puppy Dog
 DARKSKY REAL WILD MOVES



RESERVE DOG: Opposite Sex Open - Open Dog
 GLACIUS HAND MADE (A)



Champion in Show – Champion Dog
Best Coat – Dog & Best Head - Dog
 CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ET



Opposite Sex Champion - Champion Bitch
 CH DARKSKY FORGET ME NOT



Baby Puppy in Show – Baby Puppy Dog
TANOME LEGEND OF THE KNIGHT (AI)



**Opposite Sex Minor Puppy - Minor Puppy Bitch
& Best Head - Bitch**
CHVIANSO ARCTIC NIGHT STAR



Puppy in Show – Puppy Bitch
KATAKU MYSTICAL DAWN (AI)



Junior in Show – Junior Dog
SOUTHRNWOLF CATCH ME IFU CAN



Open in Show – Open Bitch & Best Tail
THOMLA SWEET OOPS A DAISY



Desexed Bitch
CH KEMULVAK GIDGISKY LUCIUS (A)



Best Gait: CH KATAKU HURRICANE WILFRED

Donations Required for the **2012 STATE CUP RACE**

Sash donations are invited for the 2012 State Cup Sled Dog Race being held on 14 & 15 July at the You Yangs. Donations required are \$15.00 and the donor will be acknowledged on the sash.

If you are able to make a donation, please contact the Secretary at info@amcv.org.au – donations may be made by cheque/money order or by direct deposit into the AMCV bank account.

2012 Show Point Score Competition Rules

The new competition shall run from 1st January, 2012 to 31st December, 2012

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. To be eligible for an award in the Show Point Score Competition, all registered owners of the exhibit must be current AMCV Members. Points will only be allocated if all registered owners are financial members of the AMCV 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.

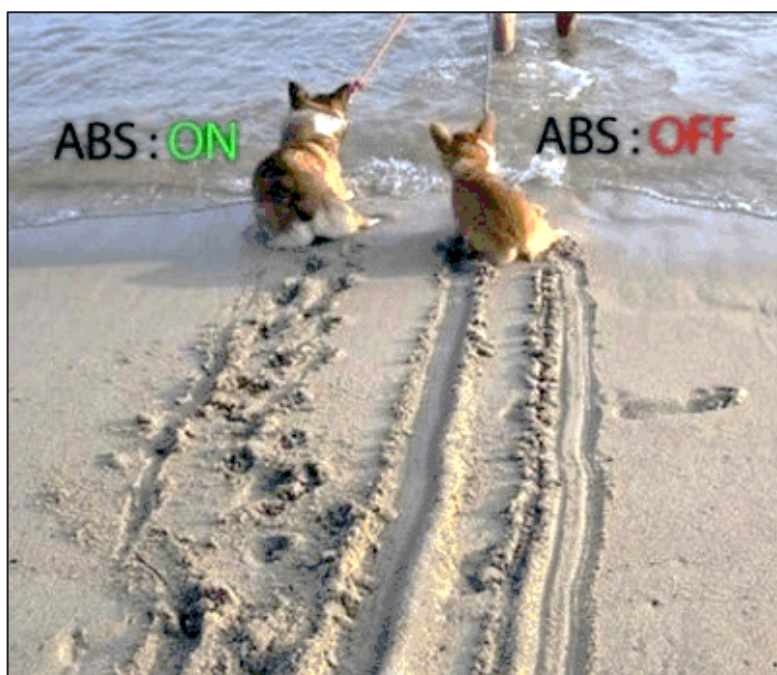
Points will be awarded to Best of Breed and Challenge winners on the basis of one (1) point for every dog or bitch beaten including one (1) for your own dog, to a maximum of twenty-five (25) points per show.

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.



2012 Conformation Point Score

Includes results submitted to 1st March 2012

| Most Successful Alaskan Malamute | |
|--|----|
| Kataku Knls Ch Kataku Major League | 12 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI) | 11 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra | 10 |
| Hewat/Cummings Ch Qannik Sno Luck | 7 |
| Kataku Knls Kataku Chill In The Air (AI) | 6 |
| Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana | 5 |
| Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari | 4 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI) | 3 |
| Wagenvoort/Presland Southrnwolf Catch Me Ifu Can | 1 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI) | 1 |
| Top Alaskan Malamute Dog | |
| Kataku Knls Ch Kataku Major League | 6 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra | 4 |
| Hewat/Cummings' Ch Qannik Sno Luck | 2 |
| Wagenvoort/Presland Southrnwolf Catch Me Ifu Can | 1 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI) | 1 |
| Top Alaskan Malamute Bitch | |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI) | 10 |
| Kataku Knls Kataku Chill In The Air (AI) | 6 |
| Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana | 4 |
| Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari | 4 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI) | 3 |
| Baby Puppy Dog | |
| No entries | |
| Baby Puppy Bitch | |
| No entries | |
| Minor Puppy Dog | |
| Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Naoghus | 4 |

| Minor Puppy Bitch | |
|--|----|
| Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana | 11 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI) | 7 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI) | 2 |
| Puppy Dog | |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI) | 4 |
| Wagenvoort/Presland Southrnwolf Catch Me Ifu Can | 3 |
| Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Naoghus | 2 |
| Puppy Bitch | |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI) | 16 |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI) | 4 |
| Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana | 2 |
| Junior Dog | |
| No entries | |
| Junior Bitch | |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI) | 2 |
| Intermediate Dog | |
| No entries | |
| Intermediate Bitch | |
| Kataku Knls Kataku Chill In The Air (AI) | 2 |
| Australian Bred Dog | |
| Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra | 4 |
| Hewat/Cummings' Ch Qannik Sno Luck | 2 |
| Australian Bred Bitch | |
| No entries | |
| Open Dog | |
| Kataku Knls Ch Kataku Major League | 2 |
| Open Bitch | |
| Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari | 1 |

Correction to 2011 Show Point Score Competition Results: Junior Bitch: McCombe's Icepure Wispa Whisky Dreamshot

Has your dog got ...

SOMETHING TO HOWL ABOUT

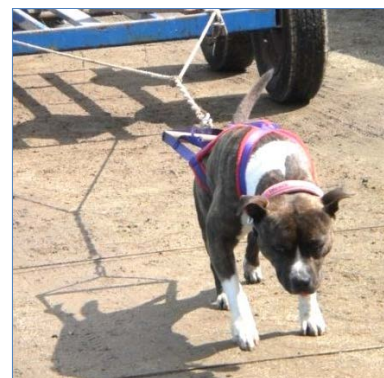


If your dog has had a birthday, gained a title or achieved something to be proud about, then why not get on your computer and share it with us by sending in a photo and a few lines of text.

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Entries for "Something To Howl About" can be sent to The Newsletter Editor, PO Box 41, Hurstbridge, Vic, 3099. or email to amcv@bigpond.com.

Associate Working Weight Pull
Title
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Crazytown Bat Outa Hell

Congratulations to Sanda Stankovic and Scooby on achieving his Associate Working Weight Pull Dog title.

Dog & Driver Point Score Competition Rules



The AMCV conducts a sledding point score competition each sledding season. The purpose of this competition is to encourage participation and promote events. However, the point score competition is more than a reward for attendance and participation, but is intended to determine, and then reward, the best performed teams of the season.

Classes on offer for the Sledding Dog & Driver point score will be:

- Limited 6-dog
- Limited 4-Dog
- Limited 2-Dog
- Limited 1-Dog

The "team" consists of both Driver and Dog(s).

A calendar of eligible sledding events, sledding results and point score updates will be printed in the Malamute Mail when they become available.

Eligibility:

For a team to compete in the Dog and Driver point score competition the dog team must consist entirely of purebred, ANKC registered Alaskan Malamutes and the driver must be an AMCV member at the time of the nominated event. Team drivers must provide details of the registered name and registration number for each Alaskan Malamute in the team on the event entry form.

Nominated Events:

The sledding events in which points can be scored towards this competition will be listed in "The Malamute Mail".

Classes or events which do not attract entries will not be eligible for inclusion in the point score calculation determining end of season standings.

Sledding point score events may be altered at the discretion of the Sledding Co-ordinator with the approval of the Committee at any time during the season in the event of any event being cancelled or

class entry being restricted or altered, or should a class receive no entries.

Alterations to point score events will be published in the next available issue of "The Malamute Mail".

Awarding of Points:

- a) Competitors must be current AMCV members at the time of the event to be eligible for awarding of points.
- b) Points will be awarded based on the final results of each of the nominated events. Points are allocated on the basis of 100 points to the first placegetter, 99 points to 2nd place, 98 points to 3rd place and so on.
- c) More than one eligible team must commence the race for points to be allocated for that class, regardless of the number of teams that finish the race.
- d) The number of results that will count towards the sledding point score total will represent as close to two thirds (over 50% and not more than 75%) of the eligible events as possible.
- e) In the event of a tie for a placing in any point score class/place both entries will receive the award.

Eligible Events:

- a) Eligible sledding events will be published in the AMCV newsletter.
- b) The number of events to count towards the point score competition may be subject to change in the event of a race cancellation or a class not being contested.
- c) An event is not deemed to be an eligible point score event for a class where that class is not contested.

Rookie of the Year Award:

Rookie of the Year will be awarded to the driver who achieves the highest placing in the Dog & Driver Point Score in their first year of competing in sledding events.

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Twila Baker Quinault Alaskan Malamutes, USA



Name: Twila Baker

2) Province, Country: Montana, USA

3) Kennel name: Quinault Alaskan Malamutes

4) How long have you had Malamutes? 29 years

5) How many dogs do you have? 32 malamutes, 3 Alaskan Huskies, 4 Great Pyrenees, 1 Kuvaz, 1 Corgi, 1 American Foxhound, 1 Australian Shepherd and 1 Jack Russell Terrier

6) What are your primary working activities with your dogs?

- Sledding

7) Is your team made up of only Malamutes, or do you run other breeds with them? If you use other breeds, what are they?

We run mainly malamutes. I have 3 inherited Alaskan Huskies so we run them too but there is

a) always at least one malamute in lead

b) once they are gone I hope to NOT inherit anymore. I like and respect the huskies, but I love my Mallies.

8) Describe your ideal working Malamute with reference to both physical and mental attributes.

Physical: Size between 20" and 25" (50 cm - 62.5 cm) at shoulder, 55-85 lbs (25 kg-38.6 kg). Thick oval feet, not round. Moderate bone, moderate angulation, harsh coat. Correct length of body to leg length; point of shoulder to rear point of pelvis SLIGHTLY longer than the height from the ground to top of withers. For me too long of back is as big a fault as too long of leg, based off of the above criteria.

Mental: I want a tough dog, one that is confident and social, but not overtly aggressive. I do not believe that true dog-to-dog aggression would have been tolerated in the Inuit societies that our dogs developed in. I'm not talking about little spats and disagreements, I am talking about fighting and aggression.

Dog to human aggression is never to be tolerated! But I also do not want lazy couch potatoes or dogs that are not tough enough to endure extremes; temperature,

environment, predators, etc. Also, drive, of course. I want an active interest in going down the trail and a stubborn perseverance to keep going even after the going gets really tough.

9) What do you believe are the most important qualities a sled dog must possess?

a) survival characteristics. feet, coat, structure and health.

b) temperament as described above

10) What do you look for when selecting potential leaders?

A lot of drive. Also trainability but that is second to drive. Confidence is a big issue too, running lead is stressful so good leaders need to have confidence. When I free run puppies I look for who "has" to be in front. Normally they will make the best leaders.

11) What kind of training do you give your leaders? Do they learn by following an experienced leader, or do you have other training strategies designed specifically for potential leaders?

We use a lot of line out training to get a good solid stand/stay in front of the team. Usually we will run new leaders with experienced leaders but with no neckline when we are training so the experienced leader is not dragging the new one along. No one learns that way, they just learn to follow the experienced leader. We train a lot of leaders; right now half of our dogs will run lead. Some are better than others, but we give everyone training up front and then we have a huge selection to choose from when we are on the trail.

We also use agility equipment as a confidence building tool with all the dogs, but even more so with leaders.

12) When you are deciding what puppies to keep from a litter you have bred what qualities do you look for?

We usually keep our top 2-6 puppies out of a litter until later, sometimes 6 months. We run them alongside and in team a lot before deciding which are staying forever. You cannot know for certain who are going to be great sled dogs at 8 weeks, so if you really want to select the best for your team I believe that you have to keep potential sled pups until much later.

a) structure-as described above

b) temperament-outgoing, friendly, active, DRIVE!

13) Of all the dogs you've had, describe the one you love or loved the most, and why.

- His name was North (BISS/AM/CAN/Int'l Ch Quinault's Northern Exposure, CGC, WLDX, WTD, WPD, WDXROM). He came at a time in my life that I needed a very special friend; I had just been diagnosed with a serious non-

curable health issue, my father had just been diagnosed with terminal disease and my mother already had early stage Alzheimer's. He fell into the water bucket at 10 days of age and almost drowned, in the process of reviving him and rewarming him we developed such a bond that I would have kept him even if he were the ugliest laziest puppy in the litter:-) But he was not. He grew up to be a fantastic sled dog, the best leader ever, a great producer, as well as my best friend and constant companion. Of our dogs that are currently running on our "A" race team, there is only one that is not related to him somehow:-) He is gone now, but will never be forgotten.

14) Hydration, feeding, snacking: How do you meet your dogs nutritional needs during training and also during the summer?

In winter we feed about 70% raw/30% high value (32% protein, 32% fat) kibble. We mix the raw with warm water to make a "stew" so they get proper hydration. We snack with chicken skins, chunks of fish, honey balls, sometimes kibble.

In summer we feed mostly kibble, have fresh water available all the time and give big buffalo type bones, lamb carcasses & chicken parts for their raw.

15) What are your training goals? Can you tell us specifically what you do in training to achieve each of these particular goals?

Our main goal always is to have a well behaved team so we always train manners; no scrapping, run on your side of the gang-line, gee-over, come around, line out, always pull. On top of that we like excursion type trips and winter camping so distance is what we train for. We start on quads in the late summer/early fall, usually with 10 to 20 mile runs (16 to 32 km). By beginning of November we like to be running 30 to 50 mile (48 to 80 km) runs on quads so that when the snow comes we can transition easily to some longer runs and camping trips. This year we started racing so we trained longer runs without stops.



16) Do you have any special projects in mind for the next few years? How do you plan to train for these projects?

- We are training for Iditarod 2014 so we are upping our mileage, we will be working on longer runs with quick snack breaks. We also will be working on checkpoint efficiency-the musher is normally the weakest team member:-) We also have to work on booting the dogs! We normally don't run booties but on a 1k mile race you just have to so we need to teach the dogs to keep the danged things on and to let us take them off & put them on quickly.

17) What training methods do you use for young dogs just beginning to work?

We start them in the sled-bag or on the quad basket at about 8 weeks. We teach them that this is FUN and to not be afraid of all the activity. Then at 10+ weeks we start allowing them to run alongside the team and to jump into the sled when they need a break. At 12 weeks we hook them into a tired team for the first time and let them run a couple miles, gradually building them up to 5 mile (8 km) runs by about 20 weeks. At 6 months they can run 5-10 mile (8-16 km) runs with a tired team, and at a year they are running 20+ milers (32 km +). We never push them further than they can go, and we keep the speed down to help them have a positive experience.

18) Footpad care: What measures do you take to ensure the health of your dogs' feet and to avoid footpad injury?

Number one for us it to check the feet frequently! We have booties when we need, and different ointments & creams, but most important is to pick up the foot and look! We use a zinc oxide cream for splits and raw patches. Also, keeping some resistance on the gang-line gives them better footing and more security, especially when going downhill, and prevents toe sprains and uneven pad wear. We usually stand on the drag brake to keep their speed to a nice trot and we discourage loping since it is not as efficient of a gait as a trot, and faster=more injuries.

19) You are no doubt aware that there is much debate over just how fast a Malamute team can or ought to be asked to run. What is your opinion?

Well, I enjoy distance over sprint so we train for a steady 7mph (11.2 km/h) trot. Can they go faster? Sure-for short distances. This winter we clocked some 10 mile (16 km) runs at 15 mph (24 km/h), 20 mile (32 km) runs @ 10mph (16 km/h), but as soon as we started running 40 and 50 mile (64- 80 km) runs we slowed to 7-8mph (11.2-12.8 km/h).

I think our breed is most efficient at 5-8mph average and that for the most part if you want to go faster than that for long distances you would have to change the physical structure of our breed. They would need to be leggier, lighter and narrower to achieve greater speeds-much like the structure of an Alaskan Husky. That I am unwilling to do. I want a malamute to fit the standard. BUT-I have nothing against training Mals to do whatever you enjoy doing providing they are not harmed in the process. If you enjoy sprint racing, then go for it. But I would not support breeding malamutes to be sprint competitive because in order for them to be competitive you would HAVE to change our breed's physical structure and mental dynamic.

20) Do you race your team? What types of races do you compete in: sprint, mid-distance or long-distance? Would you describe some of your racing experiences?

We like distance. In past years I have ran 150 mile (240 km) and 200 mile (320 km) events. This last year we ran 4 races, all around 100 mile (160 km) courses. We had very positive experiences with the courses and the other mushers as well as the public. Next year we are running longer races; two 200 milers (320 km), a 350 miler (560 km) and a 450 miler (720 km) as well as a couple more 100 milers (160 km).

21) Tell us some of your best moments on the trail.

One of the best for me was a camping run at Jamie Nelson's a few years ago. There were about 20 teams, the run was spectacular, I was with good friends and family. We camped out at a little cabin in the woods, and since it wasn't too cold and there were spiders inside the cabin I slept outside on the ground near my dogs. The northern lights came out and put on a spectacular light-show for an hour or more-they were still giving us a show when I finally fell asleep. Another best one was with my good friend Janet Coleman. We were on a winter camping trip, just the two of us with our teams. We were sleeping out in the snow with our dogs in our bags & bivy sacks when we woke up at dawn-being serenaded by a pack of coyotes about 100 feet away.

22) Tell us about some of your worst moments on the trail.

Got a quad rolled on top of me once, really hurt, bad day. Also got flooded out in a fall training camp once, woke up to a river running right through our tent!

23) What do you think about the Malamutes you see today? How do you envision the breed in the future?

I see many very beautiful dogs out there. Unfortunately, I think our breed is getting overdone. I frequently see very large malamutes, and even some of the more standard sized dogs have so much bone and substance that I don't think "Malamute" when I see them, I think "Newfoundland". Our original standard called for "heavy bone in comparison to Siberian Huskys" and the AKC made the AMCA take the "in comparison to" out of the standard, leaving the words "heavy bone". I think many of our breeders either do not know how the original standard was written, or are just taking it too far because that is what is winning in the show ring. Also I am seeing much softer textured coats, and longer than normal coat length-being touted as "correct". This year when I was at our national I was amazed at how many dogs, both in the ring and at the weight pulls, that had tiny round feet. Huge fault for working!! I really hope that we do not get to the point in our breed that the Siberian has-where there are working types and show types and the two types do not look like the same breed.

I am also concerned that many breeders are not considering drive in their top 3 breeding criteria. Drive in our dogs is decreasing to the point that we are in danger of losing it except for a few working lines. After attending many bootcamps, races, other mushing events I can tell you that there are MANY lazy non-drivey Malamutes out there! And toughness needs to be considered too. If you breed too soft a malamute temperament they will be unable to survive the type of conditions that they were originally bred for.

24) What advice would you offer to novices who are just beginning to become involved in dog-sledding?

Find a good mentor! Hopefully that will be your breeder, but if not, then try to form a friendship with someone who has experience and knowledge with working our breed. You will save yourself a lot of mistakes:-) Also, attend as many mushing events as possible and watch & learn, both what you want to do and what you don't want to do. There are also some wonderful training camps out there, I like Mushing Bootcamp because both instructors (Ann Stead and Jamie Nelson) are familiar with Malamutes.

To support or read more about Twila's bid for the 2014 Iditarod, go to <http://run4theredlantern.com/>



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by Dr Bruce Syme



Puppy Diets - Small and Large Breeds

Do large breed puppies really need a specialised diet, or is this simply “marketing gone mad”? I have been actively involved in advising and assisting large breed dog owners and breeders for over 15 years and I have never seen the need for a specific “large breed” puppy diet.

The primary difference between small and large breed dogs is how long they are in active growth for, and what is the growth factor (size difference from birth to mature weight). If you have a “perfectly formulated and balanced” puppy diet, then the only difference between feeding a toy Poodle puppy and a Great Dane puppy will be how much and how often you feed per day and for how long do you feed the puppy formula. A small breed puppy will reach mature weight much faster than a large breed, and they may only need a puppy formula for 6 months, whereas large breed up to 2 years to reach full mature size.

The smaller breed puppies will grow very quickly, and you can feed them more per meal (based on bodyweight) and keep a higher frequency of feeding (eg 2-3 meals per day). With a slower maturing large breed puppy, it is important not to over feed them. They need a lot less per meal (relative to bodyweight), and only 2 meals per day.

A good balance of nutrients is important in a puppy diet – higher in protein to match growth rate, balanced calcium levels for skeletal development, adequate carbohydrate for fuel, low in fat but high in Omega 3 for brain development. A good ratio for fresh meat diets is 70% meat to 30% carb and vegetable matter, with a properly balanced vitamin/mineral/trace element additive. As a general rule, there should be no need to add extra calcium to any correctly prepared, complete and balanced pet food.

So the only difference in puppy feeding (assuming you are using a correctly formulated puppy diet) is how much, how often and for how long you keep feeding the puppy diet.

Also you can find more information at www.vetsallnatural.com.au, including helpful videos and other useful articles for your pets.

Kind regards,

Dr Bruce Syme BVSc. (Hons)
Founder of Vets All Natural

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| Shark Cartilage 200g | \$ 49.20 | \$ 39.35 |
| Shark Cartilage 1kg | \$ 221.65 | \$ 177.30 |
| Health Booster 500gm | \$ 30.90 | \$ 24.75 |
| Health Booster 1kg | \$ 53.45 | \$ 42.75 |
| Health Booster 3kg | \$ 140.35 | \$112.30 |
| Flax Seed Oil 500ml | \$ 23.55 | \$ 18.85 |
| Herbal Ear Cleaner 50ml | \$ 15.55 | \$ 12.45 |
| Herbal Dermal Ointment 250g | \$ 30.80 | \$ 24.65 |
| Herbal Cough / Flu Tonic 50ml | \$ 21.30 | \$ 17.00 |
| Herbal Wound Spray 500ml | \$ 22.95 | \$ 18.35 |
| Omega Blend 500ml | \$ 37.15 | \$ 29.70 |
| Joint Formula 500g | \$ 50.15 | \$ 40.10 |
| Joint Formula 1kg | \$ 84.75 | \$67.80 |
| Joint Formula 3kg | \$ 219.45 | \$ 175.55 |
| Dry Pet Shampoo 100g | \$ 23.05 | \$ 18.45 |
| Natural Pet Shampoo 250ml | \$23.05 | \$ 18.45 |
| Medi-Treat Adult 100g | \$ 6.25 | \$ 5.00 |
| Medi-Treat Puppy 100g | \$ 7.35 | \$ 5.90 |
| Medi-Treat Joint Support 100g | \$ 8.55 | \$ 6.85 |
| Medi-Treat Skin Support 100g | \$ 8.55 | \$ 6.85 |
| Medi-Treat shark bone 100g | \$ 12.85 | \$ 10.30 |
| Skin & Coat Formula 250g | \$ 39.90 | \$ 31.90 |
| Skin & Coat Formula 500g | \$66.15 | \$ 52.90 |
| Skin & Coat Formula 1kg | \$116.45 | \$ 93.15 |

**All prices quoted are inclusive of GST.*

Ordering Information

Orders can be placed with the AMCV at most AMCV events or by phoning 9714 8540, fax to 9714 8303 or email to amcv@bigpond.com. Payments can be made by direct deposit, cash or cheque (made payable to the AMCV Inc.) upon collection. Products can be collected from club events.

As the AMCV does not stock Vet's All Natural products, please allow time for delivery.



Apologies for the delay in the publishing of the March 2011 General Meeting minutes, which have had to be reconstructed due to technical difficulties with the original file.

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, 24 March, 2011**
at 7.30 pm at the Bulla Exhibition Centre, Calabria Club, Uniting Lane, Bulla .

The meeting commenced 7.50 pm.

Present: I Luke, S & S Cartwright, S Cumming, J Ganson, L Green, N Green, S & R Koch, D Luke, S & C McPhan,
O Singer, F Paton, S & M Turner, S Vanderpol.
Apologies: E Levett, B McCombe, D Mitchell, S Shewring.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Apologies
Motion: That the apologies as listed above be accepted.
Moved: D Luke Seconded: F Paton **CARRIED**

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting
Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting dated 22 July 2010, as published in the October 2010 issue of the Malamute Mail, be accepted as received.
Moved: S Koch Seconded: S Turner **CARRIED**
Business arising: Nil
Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting dated 22 July 2010 be accepted as a true and accurate record.
Moved: D Luke Seconded: S McPhan **CARRIED**

3. Correspondence
A list of correspondence since the last General Meeting was distributed.
Motion: That the correspondence be accepted as tabled.
Moved: S Koch Seconded: D Luke **CARRIED**

4. Treasurer's Report
The financial reports for July 2010 to January 2011 have been provided. As of the end of January, member's funds totalled \$13,195.96 represented by \$5,065.35 in the cheque account and \$8,130.61 in the investment account.
The summary for each of the months is as follows:

| Month | Profit / Loss | Amount \$ |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| July 2010 | PROFIT | 2,212.62 |
| August 2010 | PROFIT | 554.75 |
| Sept 2010 | LOSS | -1,191.88 |
| Oct 2010 | LOSS | -1,529.64 |
| November 2010 | PROFIT | 55.81 |
| December 2010 | PROFIT | 335.85 |
| January 2011 | PROFIT | 358.13 |
| Year to Date | PROFIT | 795.64 |

This represents an overall profit of \$795.64 for the financial year up to 31 January.

The losses in the months of September and October were largely due to the Championship Show expenses and purchase of embroidered clothing, and the profits from November to January are largely from fundraising income. Fundraising profit is around \$2,800 to date this financial year, so without Fionna's efforts and the book raffle in particular, we would be recording a loss to date rather than a profit.

Motion: That the Treasurers reports for July 2010 to January 2011 be accepted.

Moved: R Koch Seconded: S Vanderpol **CARRIED**

5. Co-ordinators' Reports

- 5.1 Vice President (Breed Welfare) – Sandy Koch

Over the past few months there have been a number of crises to which the AMCV has responded by making donations to various funds, including the 'Queensland flood fund and Victorian RSPCA to assist with their efforts in rescuing and caring for stranded animals.

The AMCV will be holding a breed information night in May to support judges education and thus far has received a very positive response from judges and trainees, as well as the Group 6 leader.

Health: Shelley Turner

Since taking this position I have received no A suffix forms or any other health information to go on record.

I would propose that the Club changes it policies on advertising litters and stud dogs to include the requirement for current eye certificates, thyroid results including TGAA and elbow x-rays. Currently we only ask for hip results.

The Aces eye scheme now seems to be in order and is listing HC as an inherited eye disease for malamutes in their current database – results for 2009-2010.

We are still looking into when it would be suitable to hold another blood draw, maybe for thyroid testing and for the DNA research for the auto-immune thyroid.

Puppy Register & Referral Service: Ralph Koch

Since our last General meeting there have been a few changes with Malamute rehoming. The Facebook group "Alaskan Malamutes In Need" is no longer, however to fill the gap a new Facebook Group called Alaskan Malamute Rehoming Aid Australia has formed.

The number of dogs requiring rehoming has increased quite dramatically over the past few months, which to some extent may be a knee jerk reaction to the report of a Malamute mauling a toddler. In addition, we received the usual influx of dogs dumped at pounds in the lead up to Christmas, but level of post Christmas adoptions was not as high as in previous years. At the time of writing this report we have 24 Malamutes and Mal crosses needing new homes: 6 in Victoria, 11 in NSW, 5 in Queensland, 1 in Western Australia and 2 in South Australia. There is currently a 15 month old male Malamute at the Burwood RSPCA that we have been asked to pick up, so if anyone can foster this dog please let me know.

Barb Trykto in NSW saves as many as she can from death row at the animal shelters and kennels them until a home can be found, but with limited kennel space available she is tearing her hair out trying to keep up with the influx. Foster homes are desperately needed in NSW and QLD, so if anyone can help could they please contact the Alaskan Malamute Rehoming Aid (details on the AMCV website Rescue page).

On a brighter note, there have been 24 dogs adopted already in 2011 and 50 since our AGM, so thanks to all those who have helped out a dog in need whether it be by adopting or fostering a dog, or by donating to an animal welfare organisation.

Publicity/Education & Fundraising: Fionna Paton

The Publicity, Education & Fundraising report was presented.

5.2 Vice President (Activities) – Stuart Vanderpol

Weight-Pull: - Di Mitchell - No report provided.

Sledding: Colin McPhan: No report provided.

Backpacking: James Ganson: No report provided.

Show: Sharen McPhan: No report provided.

Obedience: Kevin Ryan: No report provided.

5.3 Newsletter – Shellie Shewring: No report provided.

5.4 Secretary – Sara Cartwright

Memberships are coming up for renewal in July. To date there are 106 current memberships representing 171 members. This is up on July's figures by 40 memberships. Renewal reminders will be sent out when the time comes. We also have the new and improved (I think so anyway) website, which is generating a lot of hits. On that website there is now a members only page, which gives you password protected access to 'the closet' where all of the Malamute Mail online copies are stored...

There will be other things going in there, but for the time being, thats all.

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 Presentation of Show Pointscore Awards for 2010

The awards for the Show Pointscore Competition for 2010 were presented.

6.3. Removal of Club Patron

Motion: That David Brace be removed as Club Patron.

Moved: F Paton

Seconded: D Luke

CARRIED

6.4 Appointment of Club Patron

In recognition of Olive Singer's contribution to the AMCV and Alaskan Malamute breed over many years, it has been proposed that Olive be nominated as Club Patron. Olive accepted the nomination.

Motion: That Olive Singer be appointed as Club Patron.

Moved: L Green

Seconded: F Paton

CARRIED

6.5 Membership Fee changes

The VCA Insurance levy has increased from \$6.00 to \$7.50 for single members, and from \$13.00 to \$15.00 per dual/family membership. In addition, the cost of production and postage of the Malamute Mail has increased over the years.

Motion: That membership fees be raised by \$5.00 to cover insurance levy increases be accepted.

Moved: S Koch

Seconded: D Luke

CARRIED

6.6 Vacant Committee position – Treasurer

Nominations for the vacant position of Treasurer were invited from the floor. No nominations were received.

The Acting Treasurer, Ralph Koch, agreed to take on the role of Treasurer in the absence of any other nominations.

Motion: That Ralph Koch be elected as Treasurer.

Moved: S Vanderpol

Seconded: S Turner

CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

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

Next Meeting: General Meeting – 28 July, 2011.

Correspondence List

for the General Meeting held 24 March 2011

Outgoing Correspondence sent since previous General Meeting

| <i>Date:</i> | <i>Sent to:</i> | <i>Details:</i> |
|--------------|---------------------|---|
| 4/7/10 | Computer Sashes | State Cup sash order |
| 2/6/10 | Megapet warehouse | Donation request for fundraising |
| 29/7/10 | Twisar kennels | Thank you for donation of backpack, harnesses and Malamute painting |
| 22/8/10 | Tara Jones | Requesting weight pull rules in support of WWPD title applications |
| 22/8/10 | A Peterson - SHCNSW | Re: offer of free resources (Ian Dunbar books) for download |

| <i>Date:</i> | <i>Sent to:</i> | <i>Details:</i> |
|--------------|---------------------------|---|
| 24/8/10 | Computer Sashes | Order of Sashes for Tuggy Weight Pull Shield event |
| 26/8/10 | Samoyed Club of SA | Re: rules in support of WWPD title applications |
| 29/8/10 | Plush Puppy | Re: sponsorship of Championship Show |
| 29/8/10 | G Bates / T Jones | Re: rules in support of WWPD title applications |
| 22/8/10 | Dogs Victoria | Survey responses: Consultation on Heat Policy Club Breeding Programs / Guidelines |
| 29/8/10 | Dulcie Sullivan | Invitation to Championship Show & lunch |
| 29/8/10 | David & Rosina Brace | Invitation to Championship Show & lunch |
| 29/8/10 | Ron & Wilma Livingston | Invitation to Championship Show & lunch |
| 29/8/10 | Erich & Olive Singer | Invitation to Championship Show & lunch |
| 29/8/10 | Isabelle Frederick | Invitation to Championship Show & lunch |
| 1/9/10 | Plush Puppy | Re: Gift Vouchers for Champ Show raffle |
| 2/9/10 | Dogs Victoria - J Haynes | Re: recommended minimum breeding age for bitches |
| 2/9/10 | Michael Sheedy | Re: State of Origin sled dog event in 2011 |
| 6/9/10 | E Levett | Confirming Working Team Dog Title for Snowsteeds Heart Song |
| 6/9/10 | D Mitchell | Confirming Working Team Dog Title for Thomla Sweet Skykat |
| 6/9/10 | T Jones | Confirming Working Weight Pull Dog titles for Ch Shuyak Zeezee Axel and Ch Shuyak Azula Ataramik. |
| 6/9/10 | S McPhan & A-M Hodgson | Confirming Working Team Dog Title for Asleda Limited Edition |
| 10/9/10 | Plush Puppy | Following up gift vouchers for Champ Show raffle |
| 27/9/10 | Dogs Victoria | Championship Show fixture surcharge form and payment |
| 12/10/10 | Dogs Victoria | Club Heading application and payment |
| 25/10/10 | Dogs Victoria | Lodgement of Annual Accounts - Officer bearers and Committee |
| 25/10/10 | Consumer Affairs Victoria | Lodgement of annual statement by Public Officer and fee |
| 28/10/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | Application for breed display at 2011 Pet & Animal Expo |
| 18/11/10 | Committee | Amended Contact List |
| 22/11/10 | R Jones (Dogs Vic) | Booking meeting rooms for 2011 |
| 1/12/10 | Jo Cerda (Dogs Vic) | ANKC Sledding Representative |
| 7/12/10 | Committee | Activities meeting agenda / calendar |
| 21/12/10 | R Jones (Dogs Vic) | Advising change of secretary details |
| 21/12/10 | J Davidson (Dogs Vic) | Advising change of secretary details |
| 9/1/2011 | R Jones (Dogs Vic) | Confirming meeting room booking due to no response |
| 15/1/2011 | Charlotte Crabtree | Re: Pedigree Pup enquiry |
| 15/1/2011 | Samantha Ling | Re: Breeding enquiry |
| 30/1/2011 | Vanessa | Re: Weightpull Club Enquiry |
| 3/2/2011 | Dogs Victoria | Dogs Victoria non-member insurance levy for 2009 - 2010 financial year. |
| 3/2/2011 | VCA | Levy Form |
| 09/02/11 | Siberian Husky Club | Change of secretary address |
| 09/02/11 | Cadbury Fundraiser | Change of secretary address |
| 11/02/11 | Dogs Vic | Non-member list of names for VCA Levy payment |
| 23/02/11 | Lorraine Green | Ch'd Scheme |

Incoming Correspondence received since previous General Meeting

| <i>Date</i> | <i>From</i> | <i>Details</i> |
|-------------|------------------------------|---|
| 1/2/10 | Andrew Burt | Change of date of Utility Practical Night to 17 March |
| 4/2/10 | Dogs Victoria | Re: Use of meeting rooms - fine |
| 11/2/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Haynes | Confirmation of weight pull event dates at KCC Park |
| 11/2/10 | Brian Parker | Re: proposed National Working Dog Title program |
| 11/2/10 | Utility Dog Club of Victoria | Requesting donation of Best of Breed Trophy |
| 17/2/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | Thank you for participation in Pet & Animal Expo |
| 18/2/10 | Dogs Victoria – L Trenwith | Approval of Championship Show date change to 19 Sept 2010 |
| 18/2/10 | Fruitbowl Productions | Invitation to attend Eltham Paws in the Park – 28 March |
| Feb 10 | ACP Magazines | Invitation to attend ACP Printworks Expo – 17-19 March |
| 25/2/10 | Brimbank City Council | Invitation to attend Brimbank 2010 Pet Expo – 29 May |
| 1/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | At A Glance newsletter |
| 1/3/10 | Plush Puppy | Confirmation of receipt of signed acceptance |
| 4/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – E White | ANKC Guidelines for Affiliates re contracting judges |
| 5/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Amended ring layout at Bulla Exhibition Centre |
| 5/3/10 | Parks Victoria | Permit application for You Yangs Regional Park |
| 12/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – R Jones | Re: Meeting room and Bulla Exhibition Centre bookings |
| 12/3/10 | Brian Parker | Suggested amendments to Working Dog title rules |
| 12/3/10 | M Greenall | Re: Suggested amendments to Working Dog title rules |
| 15/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | At A Glance newsletter |
| 16/3/10 | M Konsky | Change of address notification |
| 30/1/10 | Di Mitchell | Nomination of Ian Luke for Life membership |
| 18/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | Thanks for feedback on Big Day Out for Dogs at KCC Park |
| 19/3/10 | Dogs Victoria – R Jones | Booking of Bulla Exhibition Centre for Activities day 28/3 |
| 24/3/10 | Pedini Photography & Video | Advertising photographic/video service and awards/trophies |
| 24/3/10 | DSE Bendigo | Permit for use of Knowsley and One Eye for sledding events |
| March 10 | Parks Victoria | Permit for You Yangs Western Plantation for sledding events |
| 31/3/10 | Alpine Shire | Dinner Plain Permit application form |
| 10/4/10 | Outback Pet Treats | Advertising Pet Treats range |
| 16/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Bulla Exhibition Centre booking form |
| 19/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Non-Dogs Victoria member services levy form |
| 21/4/10 | DSE Bendigo | Invitation to identify areas for fire preparedness works |
| 21/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | Requesting photographs of backpacking and weight pull |
| 23/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – R Jones | Re: Bulla meeting room booking |

| Date | From | Details |
|-----------|--|--|
| 26/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – W Fleming | Acknowledging support for Am Staff weight pull area at Bulla |
| 23/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Davidson | Proof copy of Champ Show Schedule for VicDog |
| 27/4/10 | Vet's All Natural | Re: sponsorship for 2010 |
| 27/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | At a Glance Newsletter |
| 28/4/10 | Louise Wright & Simon Kirkpatrick | Thanks and feedback on sledding training weekend |
| 28/4/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | ANKC office – change of location |
| 4/5/10 | Alpine Shire | Snow weekend permit |
| May 2010 | DSE Bendigo | Re: change of address |
| 4/5/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Haynes | Re: approval of L Krause to judge Champ Show |
| 18/5/10 | K & K Irwin – Show Ribbons | Advertising & Price list |
| 20/5/10 | Dogs Victoria – M Zeng | Re: payment of account and updating of address records |
| 24/5/20 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | At A Glance Newsletter |
| 26/5/10 | Chloe Carbines | Student photographer wanting dog models |
| 28/5/10 | Dogs Victoria – E White | Working With Children accreditation for Junior handler judges |
| 1/6/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | Companion Dog Club Newsletter |
| 3/6/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Funeral advice – Life member Miss CC (Viney) Jenkins |
| 3/6/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Haynes | Meeting Room confirmation for 8 June |
| 7/6/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | At a Glance Newsletter |
| 2/6/10 | Megapet Warehouse | Re: fundraising donation |
| 6/5/10 | Dianne Lee | Agreement to Steward at Open Show |
| 9/6/10 | RSPCA - Bendigo | Thank you for donation |
| 10/6/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Consultation on Heat Policy |
| 17/6/10 | RSPCA - Burwood | Thank you for donation |
| 19/6/10 | SHCNSW | Invitation to provide resources for download |
| 25/6/10 | Vivian Ewe | Requesting dogs and owners to participate in research into "Can dogs detect human emotions" (Monash University – Psychology) |
| July 2010 | Department of Justice, Consumer Affairs Victoria | Annual Statement form and reminder. |
| 5/7/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Invitation to attend Frankston Pets' Day Out |
| 5/7/10 | Dogs Victoria – K Benson | At a Glance Newsletter – 5 July 2010 |
| 6/7/10 | Dogs Victoria – J Cerda | Request from "Very Special Kids Foundation" |
| 9/7/10 | Animal Aid | Thank you for donation |
| 11/7/10 | Cruising Cuppa | Advertising hot beverage and cake service for club events |
| | | Items for action: |
| | | - Non-Dogs Victoria Members Services Levy 2010 |
| | | - Club Breeding Program / Guidelines (by 31 August) |
| | | - Meeting of Club Secretaries & Presidents – 31 July |
| | | - Consultation on heat policy |
| | | - Ribbons at Shows |
| 13/7/10 | Dogs Victoria | |
| 19/7/10 | Larry & Jo Ann Krause | Re: flight and accommodation arrangements for Champ Show judge |
| 16/7/10 | Dogs Victoria - J Cerda | Re: Refusing to renew a persons membership to a club |
| 16/7/10 | Dogs Victoria - J Cerda | Pet's Day Out - Frankston, 10 October |
| 19/7/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter |
| 29/7/10 | Bill Payne | Advertising dog portraits |
| 30/7/10 | DSE - Bendigo | Planned control burns in the Bendigo area |
| 31/7/10 | Brian Parker | Working Dog Title working Party progress report to ANKC |
| 2/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter |
| 3/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | Advertising Bull Terrier Club "Bush Walk" on 8 August |
| 12/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - J Haynes | Re: Minimum Breeding Age for Bitches - response by 25/10/10 |
| 23/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - J Haynes | Booking form for KCC Park - 19 September |
| 23/8/10 | A Peterson - SHCNSW | Re: Free resources for download (Ian Dunbar books) |
| 24/8/10 | T Fioretto - Aussie Muscle Dog Agility | Advertising agility equipment |
| 24/8/10 | G Bates - SASDC | Weight pull rules in support of T Jones WWPD title applications |
| 25/8/10 | Susan Conant (C/- Judy Paule) | Donation of Susan Conant book "All Shots - A Dog Lovers' Mystery" for raffle |
| 26/8/10 | D Brown - Samoyed Club of SA | Weight pull rules in support of T Jones WWPD title applications |
| 26/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - A Philpott | Bulla Meeting Room booking details for 31 August |
| 30/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter |
| 30/8/10 | Dogs Victoria - E White | USB Stick containing updated breed standards, constitution, rules, etc. |
| 3/9/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | Companion Dog Club Newsletter |
| 8/9/10 | SHCV | Accommodation details and invoice for Larry Krause |
| 9/9/10 | Dogs Victoria - J Haynes | KCC Park arrangements for 19 September |
| 10/9/10 | Dogs Victoria | Club heading renewal for VicDog |
| 13/10/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter |
| 22/9/10 | L Green | Withdrawal of nomination for Health Officer |
| 29/9/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | Big Dogs Day Out invitation |
| 30/9/10 | Dogs Victoria - R Jones | Meeting Room Booking confirmation - 7 October |
| | | 1. Members Forum - 24 October |
| | | 2. Non-Dogs Victoria Members levy form |
| | | 3. Revised Heat Policy |
| | | 4. Additional sheds at KCC Park |
| | | 5. Role of VCA Representative |
| 1/10/10 | Dogs Victoria | |
| 4/10/10 | Dogs Victoria - L Trenwith | Re: Championship Show date for 2011 |
| Oct 2010 | W & R Livingston | Thank you card for invitation to Champ Show & catalogue |
| 5/10/10 | Vets All Natural | Monthly newsletter |
| 11/10/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter - 11 October |
| 19/10/10 | Z Vafiopoulous | 2011 Dogs Diary in support of shutting down puppy farms |
| 25/10/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter - 25 October |
| 29/10/10 | Knox City Council | Invitation to Eastern Regional Pet Expo - 3/4/11 |
| 6/11/10 | Vets All Natural | Monthly newsletter |

| Date | From | Details |
|------------|---------------------------|--|
| 8/11/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | "At a Glance" newsletter - 8 November |
| 10/11/10 | S Vanderpol | ROA Application for Ch Windchill Tammo Tull |
| 11/11/10 | R Van Zelst | Re: Championship Show DVD & photographs |
| 12/11/10 | Dogs Victoria - R Jones | Confirmation of meeting room booking - 16/11/10 |
| 9/11/10 | Dogs Victoria - K Benson | Member profile request for VicDog |
| 02/12/10 | Department of Justice | Password request for online services |
| 12/2010 | Dogs Vic | Insurance certificates and member levys |
| 17/1/2011 | Knox Council | Invitation to Eastern Regional Pet Expo on 3 April |
| 21/1/2011 | Dogs Victoria | Caulfield Pet & Animal Expo exhibitor information and passes |
| 27/1/2011 | Brimbank City Council | Invitation to 2011 Pets in the Park - 26 March |
| 27/1/2011 | Dogs Victoria | Booking form for Open Show |
| 01/02/2011 | Dogs Victoria | Re: 2011 Pet Expo |
| 1/02/2011 | Cadbury Fundraising | Chocolates order form |
| 18/1/2011 | Dogs Victoria | At A Glance fortnightly newsletter |
| 14/1/2011 | Samantha Ling | Purebred Malamute wanted for breeding with cross-bred Husky/Malamute |
| 18/11/2010 | Dogs Victoria | At A Glance fortnightly newsletter |
| 28/11/2010 | Ian Luke | DNA Bank / ANKC Rep |
| 22/11/2010 | Jo Cerda | Compulsory Micro-chipping from January 2012 |
| 04/12/2010 | Karen Benson | Companion Dog Club Newsletter |
| 07/12/2010 | Dogs Vic | At A Glance fortnightly newsletter |
| 07/12/2010 | Dogs Vic | Big Day Out for Dogs |
| 21/12/2010 | Dogs Vic | At A Glance fortnightly newsletter |
| 10/01/2011 | R Jones | Confirmation of meeting dates |
| 08/01/2011 | Eltham Vet Practice | Invitation to Paws in the Park event |
| 13/1/2011 | Charlotte Crabtree | Pedigree pup enquiry |
| 25/1/2011 | Dogs Vic | Re: New Chief Executive Officer |
| 31/1/2011 | Paw Club | Information about Paw Club |
| 17/01/11 | Eastern Regional Pet Expo | Pet Expo |
| 27/01/11 | Dogs Vic | Bulla Complex booking form |
| 07/02/11 | Dogs Vic | Request for non-members' names for Levy payment |
| 21/02/11 | Vets All Natural | Renewal of sponsorship for 2011 |
| 22/02/11 | Plush Puppy | Renewal of sponsorship for Champ Show 2011 |
| 25/02/11 | Mr L Johnson | Non-renewal of membership |
| 25/02/11 | Dogs Vic | Neuter Champion Title |
| 25/02/11 | Dogs Vic | Thank you for your club's work at the Pet Expo |
| 04/03/11 | Utility Dog Club of Vic | Seeking donations |
| 5/03/11 | S Cumming & L Hewat | Change of address details |
| 18/3/11 | RSPCA | Thank you for your donation |
| 18/3/11 | Dogs Vic | 'Bagging' and cyber bullying of other members |

ALASKAN MALAMUTE CLUB VICTORIA, INC.

Incorporations No. A0016353X

Financial Reports prepared by the Treasurer for the General Meeting to be held on Thursday, 24 March 2011 at the Bulla Exhibition Centre.

1. BANK RECONCILIATION for the months of July 2010 through to January 2011.
2. Details of CHEQUES WRITTEN for the months of July 2010 through to January 2011.
3. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Financial Report for July, 2010

1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 31 July 2010

| Total Members Funds as of: | | | 1 July 2010 | | \$ 12,400.32 |
|---|--|--|---|-------------|--------------|
| Cheque account balance as of | | | 1 July 2010 | \$ 4,483.63 | |
| | | | Plus income | \$ 2,338.10 | |
| | | | Less expenditure | \$148.84 | |
| Cheque account balance as of | | | 31 July 2010 | \$ 6,672.89 | |
| | | | Less unrepresented cheques | \$ 40.00 | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | | | 31 July 2010 | \$ 6,632.89 | \$ 6,632.89 |
| | | | Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 July 2010 | \$ 7,916.69 |
| | | | Plus interest on Investment account | \$ 63.36 | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | | | 31 July 2010 | \$ 7,980.05 | \$ 7,980.05 |
| Total Members Funds as of: | | | 31 July 2010 | | \$ 14,612.94 |
| Representing a PROFIT for the month of: | | | July 2010 | | \$ 2,212.62 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of July 2010

| Chq No. | Date | Payee | Category | Details | Amount |
|---------|------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 644 | 15/07/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Administration costs | Meeting Room Hire | \$ 40.00 |
| 645 | 18/07/2010 | Computer Sashes | Sledding | Sledding - State Cup Sashes | \$ 148.14 |

Financial Report for August, 2010**1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 31 August 2010**

| | | | |
|--|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total Members Funds as of: | 1 August 2010 | | \$ 14,612.94 |
| Cheque account balance as of | 1 August 2010 | \$ 6,672.89 | |
| Plus income | | \$ 2,701.70 | |
| Less expenditure | | \$ 1,936.99 | |
| Cheque account balance as of | 31 August 2010 | \$ 7,437.60 | |
| Less unrepresented cheques | | \$ 249.96 | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | 31 August 2010 | \$ 7,187.64 | \$7,187.64 |
| Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 August 2010 | \$ 7,980.05 | |
| Plus interest on Investment account | | \$ - | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | 31 August 2010 | \$ 7,980.05 | \$7,980.05 |
| Total Members Funds as of: | 31 August 2010 | | \$ 15,167.69 |
| Representing a PROFIT for the month of: | August 2010 | | \$ 554.75 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of August 2010

| Chq No. | Date | Payee | Category | Details | Amount |
|---------|------------|-----------------|---|------------------------------|---------|
| 646 | 18/07/2010 | Australia Post | Newsletter | Newsletter postage | 176.30 |
| 647 | 12/08/2010 | Officeworks | Newsletter | Newsletter printing | 216.59 |
| 648 | 12/08/2010 | J Ganson | Merchandise | Jackets, caps, beanies | 1139.28 |
| 649 | 13/08/2010 | Computer Sashes | Show | Sash Donation to UDC | 21.05 |
| 650 | 13/08/2010 | S Koch | Activities / Secretary / Fundraising / Sledding / Publicity & Education | Reimbursement for Expenses | 343.77 |
| 651 | 13/08/2010 | S Shewring | Newsletter | Newsletter - Toner cartridge | 49.96 |
| 652 | 23/08/2010 | D Luke | Show | Championship Show expenses | 200.00 |

Financial Report for September 2010**1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 30 September 2010**

| | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total Members Funds as of: | 1 Sept | | \$ 15,167.69 |
| Cheque account balance as of | 1 Sept | \$ 7,437.60 | |
| Plus income | | \$ 2,943.00 | |
| Less expenditure | | \$ 2,952.53 | |
| Cheque account balance as of | 30 Sept 2010 | \$ 7,428.07 | |
| Less unrepresented cheques | | \$ 1,432.31 | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | 30 Sept 2010 | \$ 5,995.76 | \$ 5,995.76 |
| Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 Sept | \$ 7,980.05 | |
| Plus interest on Investment account | | \$ - | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | 30 Sept 2010 | \$ 7,980.05 | \$ 7,980.05 |
| Total Members Funds as of: | 30 Sept 2010 | | \$ 13,975.81 |
| Representing a LOSS for the month of: | Sept 2010 | | -\$ 1,191.88 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of September 2010

| No. | Date | Payee | Category | Details | Amount |
|------|------------|-----------------|----------------|---|---------|
| *653 | 2/09/2010 | Computer Sashes | Show | RASV Sash donation | 158.40 |
| 654 | 2/09/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Administration | VCA Affiliation fee | 283.00 |
| 655 | 2/09/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Administration | Meeting Room Hire | 40.00 |
| 656 | 5/09/2010 | M Lindsay | Accounting | Auditor's fee | 25.00 |
| *657 | 12/09/2010 | Computer Sashes | Weight Pull | Weight pull sashes - Tuggy Shield | 117.55 |
| 658 | 16/09/2010 | All Trophies | Show | Veterans Medallions | 131.40 |
| 659 | 16/09/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Show | Show certificates | 8.64 |
| *660 | 17/09/2010 | Computer Sashes | Show | Championship Show sashes | 281.65 |
| 661 | 17/09/2010 | Larry Krause | Show | Reimbursement for airfare | 1483.61 |
| 662 | 19/09/2010 | Reddy Roast | Show | Championship Show catering | 129.00 |
| 663 | 19/09/2010 | Officeworks | Show | Championship Show catalogue | 100.90 |
| 664 | 19/09/2010 | D Luke | Show | Championship Show - gifts, postage etc. | 76.49 |
| 665 | 20/09/2010 | R Van Zelst | Show | Championship Show video & photography | 100.00 |
| 666 | 20/09/2010 | AKT Trophies | Show | Championship Show Trophies | 324.53 |
| *667 | 24/09/2010 | Officeworks | Newsletter | Newsletter Printing - Oct Malamute Mail | 214.59 |
| *668 | 24/09/2010 | Australia Post | Newsletter | Newsletter Postage - Oct Malamute Mail | 136.90 |
| *669 | 25/09/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Show | Championship Show levies | 343.22 |
| *670 | 26/09/2010 | S Koch | Show | Reimbursement for accommodation | 180.00 |

* Unrepresented cheques

Financial Report for October, 2010**1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 31 October 2010**

| | | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total Members Funds as of: | 1 Oct | | | \$ 13,975.81 |
| Cheque account balance as of | 1 Oct | \$7,428.07 | | |
| Plus income | | \$ - | | |
| Less expenditure | | \$ 2,809.48 | | |
| Cheque account balance as of | 31 Oct 2010 | \$ 4,618.59 | | |
| Less unrepresented cheques | | \$ 227.90 | | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | 31 Oct 2010 | \$ 4,390.69 | \$ 4,390.69 | |
| Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 Oct | \$7,980.05 | | |
| Plus interest on Investment account | | \$ 75.43 | | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | 31 Oct 2010 | \$ 8,055.48 | \$ 8,055.48 | |
| Total Members Funds as of: | 31 Oct 2010 | | | \$ 12,446.17 |
| Representing a LOSS for the month of: | Oct 2010 | | | \$ 1,529.64 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of October 2010

| No. | Date | Payee | Category | Details | Amount |
|-----|------------|---------------------------|----------------|--|-----------|
| 671 | 4/10/2010 | All Trophies | Activities | Trophies for AGM awards presentation | \$ 995.67 |
| 672 | 7/10/2010 | F Paton | Miscellaneous | Rembursement for flowers for Olive Singer | \$ 69.50 |
| 673 | 10/10/2010 | Herald & Weekly Times | Miscellaneous | Vale notice for Erich Singer in Herald-Sun | \$ 163.20 |
| 674 | 11/10/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Advertising | Club heading in VicDog | \$ 333.50 |
| 675 | 22/10/2010 | Consumer Affairs Victoria | Administration | Lodgement fee for CAV Annual return | \$ 41.80 |

Financial Report for November, 2010**1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 30 November 2010**

| | | | | |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Total Members Funds as of: | 1 Nov 2010 | | | \$ 12,446.17 |
| Cheque account balance as of | 1 Nov 2010 | \$ 4,618.59 | | |
| Plus income | | \$ 534.00 | | |
| Less expenditure | | \$ 40.00 | | |
| Cheque account balance as of | 30 Nov 2010 | \$ 5,112.59 | | |
| Less unrepresented cheques | | \$ 666.09 | | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | 30 Nov 2010 | \$ 4,446.50 | \$4,446.50 | |
| Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 Nov 2010 | \$ 8,055.48 | | |
| Plus interest on Investment account | | \$ - | | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | 30 Nov 2010 | \$ 8,055.48 | \$8,055.48 | |
| Total Members Funds as of: | 30 Nov 2010 | | | \$ 12,501.98 |
| Representing a PROFIT for the month of: | November 2010 | | | \$55.81 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of November 2010

| No. | Date | Payee | Category | Details | Amount |
|------|------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|----------|
| 676 | 6/11/2010 | Dogs Victoria | Administration | VCA | \$ 40.00 |
| 677* | 21/11/2010 | Vet's All Natural | Merchandise | Vets All Natural | \$438.19 |

Financial Report for December, 2010**1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 31 December 2010**

| | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Total Members Funds as of: | 1 Dec | | | \$12,501.98 |
| Cheque account balance as of | 1 Dec | \$5,112.59 | | |
| Plus income | | \$782.20 | | |
| Less expenditure | | \$706.20 | | |
| Cheque account balance as of | 31 Dec 2010 | \$5,188.59 | | |
| Less unrepresented cheques | | \$406.24 | | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | 31 Dec 2010 | \$4,782.35 | \$4,782.35 | |
| Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 Dec | \$8,055.48 | | |
| Plus interest on Investment account | | \$- | | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | 31 Dec 2010 | \$8,055.48 | \$8,055.48 | |
| Total Members Funds as of: | 31 Dec 2010 | | | \$12,837.83 |
| Representing a PROFIT for the month of: | December 2010 | | | \$335.85 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of December 2010

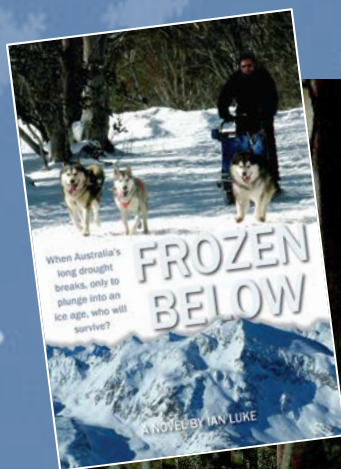
| No. | Date | Payee | Category | Details | Amount |
|-----|------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|-----------|
| 678 | 1/12/2010 | Officeworks | Newsletter | Printing | \$ 178.34 |
| 679 | 1/12/2010 | Australia Post | Newsletter | Postage | \$ 140.50 |
| 680 | 10/12/2010 | Vet's All Natural | Merchandise | Vets All Natural | \$ 127.51 |

Financial Report for January, 2011**1. STATEMENT OF BANK RECONCILIATION as at 31 January 2011**

| | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total Members Funds as of: | 1 Jan | | | \$12,837.83 |
| Cheque account balance as of | 1 Jan | \$5,188.59 | | |
| Plus income | | \$285.00 | | |
| Less expenditure | | \$180.34 | | |
| Cheque account balance as of | 31 Jan 2011 | \$5,293.25 | | |
| Less unrepresented cheques | | \$227.90 | | |
| Total as per Cash Book as of: | 31 Jan 2011 | \$5,065.35 | \$5,065.35 | |
| Plus balance of Investment account as of: | 1 Jan | \$8,055.48 | | |
| Plus interest on Investment account | | \$ 75.13 | | |
| Bendigo Investment Account total as of: | 31 Jan 2011 | \$ 8,130.61 | \$ 8,130.61 | |
| Total Members Funds as of: | 31 Jan 2011 | | | \$ 13,195.96 |
| Representing a PROFIT for the month of: | January 2011 | | | \$ 358.13 |

2. CHEQUES WRITTEN for the month of January 2011

Nil



Frozen Below

A novel by
Ian Luke

About the Book

In the year 2012, the Southern Hemisphere suffers a climate change disaster, returning to an ice age. The few people who survive react very differently. Two families in central Victoria, Australia, struggle to survive, making use of one man's hobby, sled dog racing and his Malamute sled dogs.

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3. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE – current financial year

| Category | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|
| | Jul-10 | Aug-10 | Sep-10 | Oct-10 | Nov-10 | Dec-10 | Jan-11 | Year to Date | Previous Year Total |
| INCOME | | | | | | | | | |
| Activities | | 217.00 | | | | | | 217.00 | 100.00 |
| Backpacking | | 160.00 | | | | | | 160.00 | 48.00 |
| Breeders Directory | 150.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 | | | | | 250.00 | 275.00 |
| Fundraising | 385.60 | 225.70 | 614.50 | | 275.00 | 291.00 | 235.00 | 2026.80 | 3450.85 |
| Health - Ch'd Certification | 20.00 | | 10.00 | | | | 50.00 | 80.00 | 187.00 |
| Health - other | | | | | 145.00 | | | 145.00 | 50.00 |
| Interest | 63.36 | | | 75.43 | | | 75.13 | 213.92 | 190.76 |
| Litter registration | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| Membership - Fees | 1095.00 | 934.00 | 226.00 | | 43.00 | 30.00 | | 2328.00 | 3764.00 |
| Merchandise - Embroidered clothing | | 622.00 | 186.00 | | 15.00 | | | 823.00 | 0.00 |
| Merchandise - Vets All Natural | 101.50 | | | | | 411.20 | | 512.70 | 0.00 |
| Merchandise - Other | | 21.00 | | | | | | 21.00 | 1045.27 |
| Newsletter | 120.00 | 40.00 | | | | 20.00 | | 180.00 | 180.00 |
| Referral | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 639.85 |
| Show | 50.00 | 172.00 | 1,686.50 | | | | | 1908.50 | 3088.10 |
| Sledding | 371.00 | 125.00 | 15.00 | | | | | 511.00 | 2214.00 |
| Weight Pull | 45.00 | 45.00 | 65.00 | | 56.00 | | | 211.00 | 603.00 |
| Working Dog titles | | 90.00 | 90.00 | | | 30.00 | | 210.00 | 330.00 |
| Total Income | 2401.46 | 2701.70 | 2943.00 | 75.43 | 534.00 | 782.20 | 360.13 | 9797.92 | 16190.83 |

| | Jul-10 | Aug-10 | Sep-10 | Oct-10 | Nov-10 | Dec-10 | Jan-11 | Year to Date | Previous Year Total |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|
| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | | | | |
| Accounting | | | 25.00 | | | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Activities | | 106.15 | | 995.67 | | | | 1101.82 | 2095.77 |
| Administration costs - CAV | | | | 41.80 | | | | 41.80 | 40.90 |
| Administration - VCA Affiliation fee | | | 283.00 | | | | | 283.00 | 210.00 |
| Administration - Meeting room hire | 40.00 | | 40.00 | | 40.00 | | | 120.00 | 255.60 |
| Administration costs - other | | 6.99 | | | | | | 6.99 | 83.89 |
| Advertising - VCA | | | | 333.50 | | | | 333.50 | 322.20 |
| Bank fees | 0.70 | | | 1.40 | | | | 2.10 | 4.10 |
| Donation | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 637.00 |
| Fundraising | | 42.00 | | | | | | 42.00 | 1286.59 |
| Health | | | | | | | 2.00 | 2.00 | 0.00 |
| Membership | | 60.00 | | | | | | 60.00 | 325.00 |
| Merchandise - Vets All Natural | | | | | 438.19 | 127.51 | | 565.70 | 0.00 |
| Merchandise - Embroidered clothing | | 1139.28 | | | | | | 1139.28 | 0.00 |
| Merchandise - Other | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 853.75 |
| Miscellaneous | | | | 232.70 | | | | 232.70 | 162.71 |
| Newsletter - Postage | | 176.30 | 136.90 | | | 318.84 | | 632.04 | 712.95 |
| Newsletter - Printing | | 216.59 | 214.59 | | | | | 431.18 | 1540.59 |
| Newsletter - Other | | 49.96 | | | | | | 49.96 | 105.78 |
| Publicity & Education | | 54.00 | | | | | | 54.00 | 908.62 |
| Referral - donations | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 350.00 |
| Show | | 221.05 | 3,317.84 | | | | | 3538.89 | 3956.08 |
| Sledding | 148.14 | 74.63 | | | | | | 222.77 | 738.56 |
| Weight Pull | | | 117.55 | | | | | 117.55 | 0.00 |
| Total expenditure | 188.84 | 2146.95 | 4134.88 | 1605.07 | 478.19 | 446.35 | 2.00 | 9002.28 | 14615.09 |
| PROFIT/LOSS | 2212.62 | 554.75 | -1191.88 | -1529.64 | 55.81 | 335.85 | 358.13 | 795.64 | 1575.74 |

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A dog's life can depend on those they take to heart

By Geoff Strong

OUR dog has been acting strangely for the past few weeks. When my wife, Jill, returns from work in her car, he goes out not to greet her, but walks to the car's back door, apparently hoping for someone to emerge. He does this every day.

Until a few weeks ago he wasn't our dog, he was one of our dogs. His name is Astro, he's a blue cattle dog and we got him from the Lost Dogs' Home in 2000 when he was about a year old. What he appears to hope might tumble from the car door is (or was) Crumpet, a red cattle dog we rescued from the Ballarat RSPCA in 2006.

Crumpet was already old then, and we adopted her on her last allotted day before the needle. Our vet estimated at that stage she was about 12. If he was right she would now be 18. Finally the needle caught up with her, not because she was unwanted, as in 2006, but because she could barely walk and often ended up lying in her own poo.

But this story is not about Crumpet, it is about Astro and other animals like him who continue to make me question human attitudes to other species. I am particularly disturbed by the vainglorious belief that humans are somehow special and uniquely possess what the religious like to call a soul.

The Book of Genesis, the founding text for the three monotheistic Abrahamic faiths, says in chapter one verse 26: "Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground'." It gets worse in verse 28, where the Lord's instructions are to fill the world with humans and beat everything else into submission.

Nearly a decade ago I interviewed Professor Derek Denton, founding director of the Florey Institute, who in his latter years has been attempting to track the evolution of human intelligence. He believes consciousness can be traced through the evolution of our species, as with any physical attributes we might share with other creatures.

"Consciousness, as we know it, evolved progressively from basic primal urges." He said that what we refer to as the mind is something we gained because it gave us a survival advantage. "The mind is what the brain does."

I recounted to him something I had watched Astro do in games he used to play with Crumpet's predecessor, Max, a small elderly poodle. Both of them used

to love tug of war with a rope. Astro was far the stronger, yet I noticed about half the time he let Max win, the little poodle pulling the big cattle dog around the yard. Denton said that one of the characteristics of consciousness we attribute to humans was our ability to imagine what another person might be thinking and act accordingly, yet here was a dog doing just that - a form of consciousness.

Another example was when Crumpet first came to us and I had taken the dogs for a walk to a beach with a low stone wall. Crumpet seemed to have missed out on a lot of normal dog experiences. She must have been badly treated in her past and was frightened by many things, including most men. My wife, Jill, however, was the light of her life; Crumpet attached herself with adoration, would howl with delight when she returned from work and would probably have followed her over a cliff. Crumpet, however, would not follow me over the wall, no matter how many times I called. Astro appeared to understand, trotted over to the wall and jumped back and forth across it until Crumpet got the message and followed him.

Astro was very attached to Crumpet. He used to lick her face and clean her ears and as she became older and more infirm he used to spend his days lying with her, keeping her company, even though he was fit and active. He was the same with our 19-year-old cat Rusty, who died two years ago.



A soulful Astro and his old friend Rusty the cat. Photo: Geoff Strong

In the past couple of weeks, dog stories have been all over the media. Last year's darling of the Australian movie industry, *Red Dog*, continued its success in the AACTA awards. And in the past week, people with animal sympathies were shocked by the reports of dogs and other animals being mistreated at a western Melbourne property. This paper featured, on its front page, photos of a malnourished and injured dog said to be a Great Dane cross rescued from a small cage at that property.

Part of the *Red Dog* story was that the dog chose the human, not the other way around. Through my life three dogs have done that to me. The first, when I was eight, jumped into our front yard and stayed 18 years. He was still alive when I met the second one, starving on a beach. This one, who looked just like the rescued Great Dane, followed me to my car and ran after it until I stopped and opened the door.

Astro was in a dogs' home cage when I spotted him. He turned somersaults and tried to lick through the wire. I paid a deposit and on collection day brought Jill and daughter Chloe. I was equivocating about whether he would be right for us. Astro spotted me the moment his cage was opened, leaping from the door onto my shoulder to slurp my face. "Bugger that," said Chloe, clipping a lead onto his collar. "We're having him."

I think she was only partly right. Ever since, he has been having us just as much.

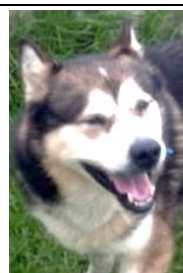
Geoff Strong is a senior writer for The Age.

Referral Update – Dogs for Adoption

As you can see, we currently have a large number of dogs needing new homes, particularly in NSW. If you can help by adopting, fostering, sponsoring a dog or even just making a donation, please contact AMRAA – www.amraa.org.au.

Any assistance at all would be much appreciated!

Ralph Koch, AMCV Referral Officer



NSW - Sydney

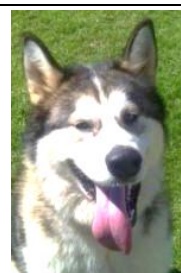
Name: **BODIE**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 8 years



NSW - Sydney

Name: **CARA**

Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 1 year



VIC - Burwood RSPCA

Name: **ALEX**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 8 months



NSW - Sydney

Name: **SHINE**

Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Malamute x

Husky

Age: 8 years



NSW - Sydney

Name: **SIMBA**

Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 9 years



VIC - Coldstream

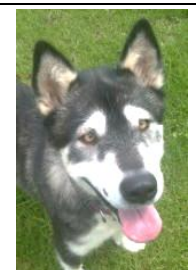
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Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 21 months



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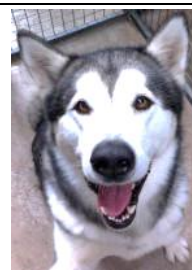
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Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 2 years



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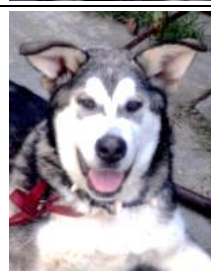
Name: **COOMA**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 4 years



VIC - Bendigo

Name: **INU**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 1 year



NSW - Newcastle

Name: **AMAROK**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 2 years



QLD - Boondall

Name: **JAZZ**

Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 2 Years



VIC - Warrnambool

Name: **CHEWY**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 6 years



NSW - Sydney

Name: **FIFI**

Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Malamute x

Akita

Age: 5 years



SA - Adelaide

Name: **ALASKA**

Sex: Female - desexed

Age: 5 years

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute



VIC - Wodonga

Name: **HORSE**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 1 year



NSW - Kemp's Creek

Name: **NARLAH**

Sex: Female - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 2 years



SA - Adelaide

Name: **DAMON & NIKKI***

Sex: Male & Female -

desexed

Age: 5 & 7 years

Breed: Alaskan

Malamutes



VIC - Melbourne

Name: **BILLY**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Alaskan

Malamute

Age: 5 months



NSW - Sydney

Name: **KHAN**

Sex: Male - desexed

Breed: Malamute x

Husky

Age: 2 years



For an up to date list of Malamutes for adoption, please visit the AMCV website at www.amcv.org.au

Breeders' Directory

| Kennel Name | Location | Contact Name | Contact Phone No. | Other Contact Information |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| BELLTREES | Campbelltown, NSW | Cheryl Harrison | (02) 4631 1920 | Email: belltree@ispdr.net.au |
| CHEKODY | Canberra ACT | Mark Titley & Melanie Saxinger | 0448 389 970 | Email: malamutes@chekody.com Website: www.chekody.com |
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| KATAKU | Pearcedale, VIC | Merv & Shelley Turner | (03) 5978 6001 | Email: kataku@bigpond.net.au Website: www.dishlickers.com.au |
| SOUTHRNWOLF | Robertson, NSW | Stuart Presland | 0429 202 030 | Website: www.southernwolf.com |
| TANOME | Clyde North, VIC | Sharen McPhan | 0410 192 210 | Email: sharen.mcphan@bigpond.com Website: www.tanome.com |

Puppy Register

| Breeder | Location | Contact | Sire / Dam | Whelped | Available |
|--|------------------|---|--|----------|----------------------------------|
| Sharen McPhan - Tanome Kennels | Clyde Nth VIC | Phone: 0410 192 210 Email: sharen.mcphan@bigpond.com Website: www.tanome.com | Sire: Am/Can/Mex Ch & Aust. Grand Ch Alcan Silent Knight (Imp USA) ROA HOF Dam: Tanome Get Off Of My Cloud WTD | 17/2/12 | 4 Females (pet homes only) |
| Rod Murphy & Debbie Boatman- Murphy Surefoot Knls | Ovens VIC | Phone: 03 5752 2041 Email: surefoot2@bigpond.com Website: www.angelfire.com/trek/surefoot1 | Sire: Grand Ch Snowsteeds Rustic Rising* Dam: Surefoot T For Trix* *Thyroid & eye test results not provided | 31/10/11 | 1 male |

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Breeders' Directory, Puppy & Stud Dog Register Guidelines

In addition to the previous requirements, please note the updates to health testing requirements for use of the AMCV Breeders' Directory, Puppy and Stud Dog Registers in effect as of **1 January, 2012**.

Guidelines for Breeders' Directory *(updates in italics are effective as of 1 January 2012)*

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 a kennel prefix registered with the ANKC, and must have been an AMCV member for at least the last 3 months for Breeders' Directory advertisements 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 kennel prefix and must comply with the following requirements for any litters whelped under that prefix. Both sire and dam must:

- have been x-rayed for hip dysplasia and passed
- *have 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.*

NB: Frozen semen from dogs not available for testing is exempt from the above requirements.

Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of their Breeders' Directory entry for a period of 12 months, or at the Committee's discretion – no refund will be given.

Guidelines for Stud Dog Register *(updates in italics are effective as of 1 January 2012)*

The owner of the stud dog must have been an AMCV member for at least the last 3 months for a stud dog advertisement to be accepted. Any member wishing to register their Malamute on the AMCV Stud Dog Register can send their entry, photograph and annual payment of \$50.00 to the AMCV, PO Box 41, Hurstbridge, 3099. Please provide the owner's name & contact details, stud dog's name, colour, sire and dam, date of birth, a brief note of his achievements (400 characters max.) and hip grade status. To be eligible for advertisement, Stud Dogs must:

- have been x-rayed for hip dysplasia and passed
- *have 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.*

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Please Note: Hip evaluation reports must be submitted for the hip grade status to be recorded as a "Pass" - entries submitted without a hip evaluation report will have the Hip Grade Status recorded as "Not Provided". Each entry will cover approximately one quarter of a page and will be published for one year (6 issues). The list of stud dogs will also be made available to non-members.

Guidelines for Puppy Register *(updates in italics are effective as of 1 January 2012)*

The requirements for litters to be eligible for the Puppy Register are as follows:

- 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) of the litter must:
 - Be purebred Alaskan Malamutes registered with the ANKC or equivalent
 - have been x-rayed and passed for Hip Dysplasia;
 - *be x-rayed for elbow dysplasia and passed.**
 - *hold a current (issued no later than 12 months prior to mating) Australian Canine Eye Scheme (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.*

NB: Frozen semen from dogs not available for testing is exempt from the above requirements.

- 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 failure to comply with the AMCV Code of Ethics and above requirements could result in cancellation of their advertisement. Advertisements will be placed on the AMCV website unless the AMCV Secretary has been notified otherwise.

AMCV MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - due 1 JULY, 2012

Please return this form and your payment to: **AMCV Secretary, PO Box 41 Hurstbridge Vic 3099** or by email to **info@amcv.org.au**

Cheque / Money Order Payments: Please make payable to "The Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc"

Direct Deposits*: Account Name: **Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria,** BSB: **633 000** Account no.: **1149 97406**

**Please include your surname & "MEMB" in the transaction details, and submit your membership form by email or mail.*

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH. If you have already renewed your AMCV membership, please let us know so we can amend our records.



Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2012/2013

Members are advised that memberships are due for renewal on 1 July, 2012, for the 2012/2013 financial year.

NOTE: MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A RENEWAL FORM.

Name (1)

Name (2)

Family membership only: Childrens' names
(ie. children under 18 years of age)

Address:

..... Postcode:

Email Address:

Telephone No.: Kennel prefix (if applicable):

Are you a member of Dogs Victoria*? YES / NO Dogs Victoria / ANKC Reg. No.
(*or equivalent State body for Interstate Members)

Insurance Levy: Victorian residents who are not members of the Victorian Canine Association must pay an insurance levy. Dogs Victoria (ANKC) membership numbers must be provided as proof of membership – if not provided the member must pay the NON-DOGS VICTORIA MEMBERS fees which include the insurance levy. Fees are listed below.

Membership Type (tick one)

NON-DOGS VICTORIA MEMBERS (Victorian residents only): ☐ **SINGLE: \$36.00** ☐ **FAMILY* / DUAL: \$48.00**
includes insurance levy

DOGS VICTORIA MEMBERS (or Interstate residents): ☐ **SINGLE: \$30.00** ☐ **FAMILY* / DUAL: \$35.00**

INTERSTATE MEMBERSHIP (no voting rights): ☐ **\$25.00** (single or family)

**Please note that a family membership comprises the parent(s) and their children under eighteen years of age residing at the same address.*

Payment Method: ☐ Cheque/Money Order ☐ Direct Deposit

Signed: Date:
(Member 1) (Member 2)

BREEDERS' DIRECTORY ENTRY: \$25.00

Contact Name:

ANKC registered Kennel Prefix: Area
i.e. suburb/town & state

Phone No: Mobile No.:

Email address:

Website address:

Note: Breeders' Directory listings are current for 12 months and will be published in the Malamute Mail and on the AMCV Website, and will be passed on to all parties who contact the AMCV seeking puppies or breeders.



HEALTH PROBLEM REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for reporting of any health problem in Alaskan Malamutes. By monitoring the incidence of all health problems the AMCV hopes to identify health problems in the breed and to deal with them before they become widespread. It is only with knowledge of problems in the breed that we can begin to eliminate or reduce health problems. The data will remain confidential, and will be used to compile a record of health problems in the breed, their incidence and prognosis. Veterinary reports would assist but are not essential.

STRICT CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE RESULTS WILL BE ASSURED.

Your Name: Date:

Address:

Email Address: Phone:

DOG DETAILS:

Pet Name: Sex: Age: DOB:

Registered Name (*preferred but optional*):

Diagnosis / Nature of health problem:

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Age of onset:

What symptoms did / does your Malamute exhibit?:

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What treatment is being / was received?:

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Is / was the treatment successful?:

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What is the prognosis for your Malamute?:

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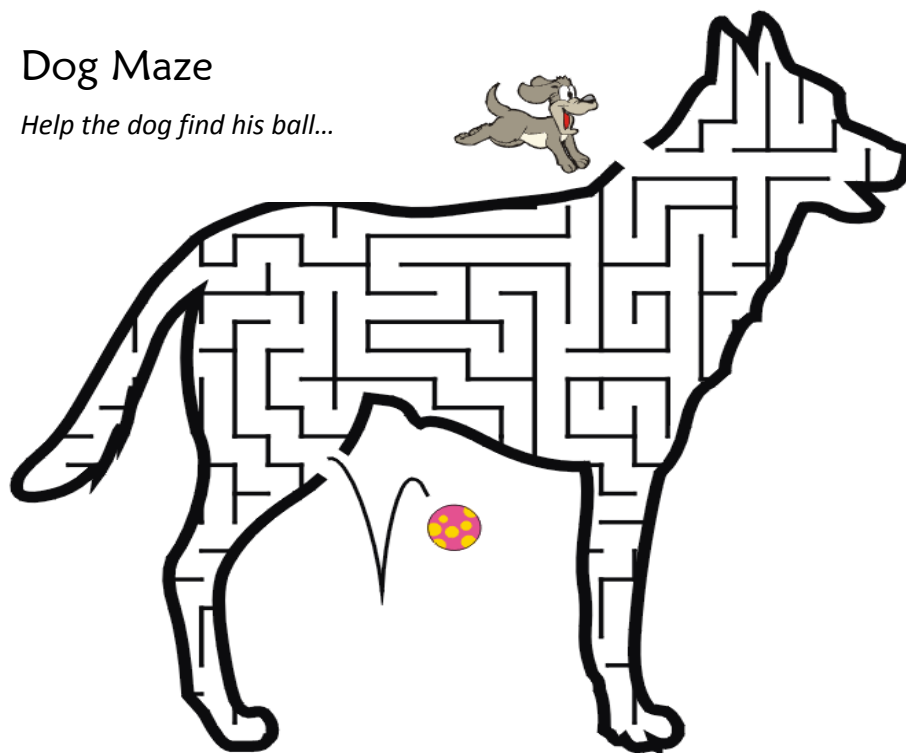
Please mail this form to: **AMCV Secretary, PO 41 Hurstbridge VIC 3099** or email to: **amcv@bigpond.com**

Please feel free to copy and distribute this form to local clubs and owners/breeders who may not be members as all data is of importance. Any queries or requests for further information can be directed to the AMCV Health Officer.

PUZZLE PAGE

Dog Maze

Help the dog find his ball...



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Dog Breeds Word Puzzle

Unscramble the first four words in each set of scrambles. Then use the circled letters to unscramble the final word. Some of the words may unscramble into more than one word, but only one word is related to the puzzle (answers below).

A B L



A B E E G L



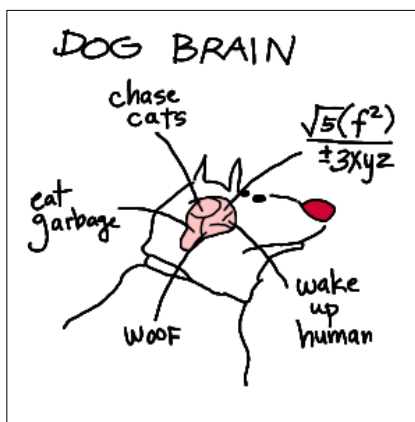
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E E I R R R T



Answer:



Doggy Riddles

Why are Dalmatians no good at "Hide and Seek"?

They're always spotted!

What is more amazing than a talking dog? A spelling bee

How does a dog stop a VCR ? He presses the paws button



Doggy Joke

Little Harold was practicing the violin in the living room while his father was trying to read in the den. The family dog was lying in the den, and as the screeching sounds of little Harold's violin reached his ears, he began to howl loudly.

The father listened to the dog and the violin as long as he could. Then he jumped up, slammed his paper to the floor and yelled above the noise, "For Pete's sake, can't you play something the dog doesn't know?!"

Doggy Trivia

1. Name the book Jack London wrote about a dog named Buck.

- A . A Dog Named Buck
- B. Buck's Marvelous Adventures
- C. Don't Pass the Buck
- D. Call of the Wild

2. The Dalmation was named for the place where the breed first originated, can you name it?

- A. Mount Dalmation in Africa
- B. Dalmation coast of Croatia
- C. Dalmation Island in the Thousand Islands
- D. The tiny country of Dalmatia

3. Jackals are different from dogs and wolves in what way?

- A. They live on a different continent
- B. They are really alien life forms
- C. They are canids
- D. They have one more pair of chromosomes.

4. Most dogs have about 100 different facial expressions, most of them made with their ears. However, a few breeds have only about 10 expressions. Can you name those breeds?

- A. Bulldogs and Pitbulls
- B. Labrador and Golden retrievers
- C. Poodles and Dachshunds
- D. Beagles and Chihuahuas

5. Domestic dogs vary widely in appearance and size, but despite these differences all breeds of the domestic dog are essentially identical in anatomy. Which is NOT an anatomical characteristic of the dog?

- A. An average of 321 bones in their skeleton
- B. Thirteen pairs of ribs in the rib cage
- C. A spine with seven cervical vertebrae, 13 thoracic vertebrae, seven lumbar vertebrae and three sacral vertebrae
- D. The presence of a dewclaw, an extra digit on the paw.

6. What is the largest cause of dog deaths in the United States?

- A. Rabies
- B. Behavioural problems
- C. Distemper
- D. Car accidents

Answers: Trivia: 1D, 2C, 3D, 4A, 5D, 6D – Over 20 million dogs are killed in animal shelters each year, most are abandoned due to behavioural problems that are easily solved with training.
Dog Breeds Word Puzzle: Lab, Beagle, Hound, Terrier, Great Dane.

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