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Copy Deadline: **1st November 2012**

If you have any letters, photos, or items of general interest to the members please email them to the Newsletter Editor, Sandy Koch at amcv@bigpond.com.au

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CODE OF ETHICS of responsible dog ownership including keeping welfare, breeding, selling and disposing of dogs by Members of the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria, Inc. *Adopted 28 January 1999.*

SECTION 1 - COMPLIANCE WITH CODE OF ETHICS

Each member, upon signing an application for membership or renewal of membership of the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc. (AMCV), and being duly elected to general membership of the AMCV, shall, in addition to agreeing to be bound by the Rules and Regulations of the AMCV, be also bound by the AMCV's Code of Ethics relating to responsible dog ownership, including the keeping, welfare, breeding selling and disposing of dogs by members to the effect of the terms and conditions set out under Section 2 hereof.

SECTION 2 - CODE OF ETHICS AND UNDERTAKING

In consideration of the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria, Inc. electing me to its general membership and approval of that renewal from time to time, I pledge to the AMCV that:

1. I shall ensure that at all times all dogs under my control are properly housed, fed, watered, exercised and receive proper Veterinary attention, if and when required.
2. I shall not allow any dogs under my care to roam at large and when away from home ensure they are kept fully leashed, or under effective control, at all times.
3. I shall breed only for the purpose of improving the standard of the breed, and not for the pet market or any other commercial purpose.
4. That excepting in extenuating circumstances, I shall not breed from any bitch kept by me causing it to be mated before it is eighteen months of age. Thereafter I shall not breed from any bitch kept by me causing it to whelp more than twice in 18 months. I will not breed any bitch kept by me causing it to whelp more than six times without prior veterinary certification of fitness for further breeding.
5. I shall not permit any of my pure bred dogs to be mated to a dog of a different breed, to a cross-bred dog, or to an unregistered dog of the same breed.
6. I shall not sell or otherwise transfer from my care any puppy under eight weeks of age, thus allowing for vaccination to be given at six weeks of age, and the necessary ten to fourteen days for the vaccine to take effect.
7. I shall ensure that all persons acquiring dogs from me clearly understand their responsibility for the care and welfare of the animal, and that they have the time and facilities (i.e. adequate fences, sufficient room and proper shelter, etc.) to perform their obligations.
8. I shall provide to all purchasers of dogs or placed by me, written details of all dietary and immunization requirements and/or an appropriate publication relating to such requirements and responsible dog ownership.
9. I shall not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers, or directly or indirectly to allow a dog to be given as a prize or donation in a contest of any kind.
10. I shall not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed, nor falsely advertise, or mislead any person regarding the performance of any dog.
11. I shall ensure when selling or transferring a dog to another person that documents as required by VCA Inc. Rules or Regulations, will be provided to the purchaser or transferee.
12. I shall act in a responsible manner to rehouse those animals that are the result of my breeding.
13. I shall not offer for use at stud any dog that has not been certified clear of Hip Dysplasia in accordance with the AMCV Hip Dysplasia Control Program.
14. I shall not sell any puppy whose sire and dam have not been certified clear of Hip Dysplasia in accordance with the AMCV Hip Dysplasia Control Program.
15. AMCV members will exhibit good sportsmanship at all times.

It is recommended that any puppy sold with the designation pet/companion be sold on a spay/neuter contract with the Limited Registration now offered by the ANKC. It is recommended that adults sold as companions be sold on a spay/neuter contract.

SECTION 3 Any member failing to observe any provisions of the Code of Ethics may be dealt with under the Rules of the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria, Inc.

President's Message

Welcome to the October edition of the Malamute Mail. In this edition you'll find a list of nominations received, to be voted on at our Annual General Meeting. My understanding is, it is a very short list. Many of the incumbents have chosen not to continue, and that includes me. I intend this to be the last President's Message I write to you. I have not seen a list of who has nominated, but on behalf of all members, thank you to those who have offered to serve. Please consider whether you have something to offer - nominations will be called for any unfilled positions, from the floor at our AGM.



Our Club Rules require all Committee Members to be VCA members, so please bear this in mind. Please also bear in mind that the opportunity to serve this Club, its members, and more particularly this breed, is an honour.

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

As many are aware, a recent litter whelped in Canada, of a well-known and popular (ie common) pedigree has produced a pup affected by Chondrodysplasia. This has led to a suspension of both the AMCA and AMCV certification schemes, many Certificates being revoked, and a lot of angst. What I would say to you is this- do not buy into the hysteria. Whilst the condition is confronting, it is not common. The certification program was only ever a stop gap measure based on probability maths. Even the test breedings used to establish the control program can only be described as probability maths. The program has done basically what it was designed to do, minimize risks until such time as a scientific test became available. A new study is underway at Helsinki, and hopefully, will be fruitful. But remember, there are many more diseases which affect our dogs more often, and with more devastating consequences than Ch'd. Our Ch'd Officer is in contact with the AMCA, and we are being kept informed.

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

We will also have enjoyed the Melbourne Royal, in the days leading up to our Specialty. Again, good luck, enjoy the day and well done to those in the ribbons. One other highlight to be enjoyed is our premier weight pull event, the Tuggy Shield. The competition has been close and fierce (and fun!) all year, and it was great to see a HUGE entry on the day. It took a looong time before we saw weight being added to the Trolley, we had that many entrants, and when the weights got to 500 kilos, we still had 14 dogs in the competition. It was fantastic to see the Am Staff club getting involved, and congrats to Merv Turner and the amazing Avalanche, who won the day for a sixth time.

Our breed and our Club are in for some interesting times. I hope some of you find it within yourselves to step forwards and shoulder some of the load. New blood is overdue.

I must this take this opportunity to thank the various Committees I've worked with over the past years. Particular thanks must go to Sandy Koch, who seems to be especially skilled at keeping many juggling balls in the air.

No doubt I'll see many of you around the traps. But till then, and for the last time as President of the Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc., good bye and 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

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.

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



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2012 Activities Calendar

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

Please note changes to Obedience dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity	Event	Venue
OCTOBER	Sunday	7	Weight Pull	Weight Pull Competition 5	KCC Park
	Thursday	11	Meeting	Annual General / Committee	Bulla
	Saturday	13	Backpacking	1-day hike	Daylesford
NOVEMBER	Sat -Mon	3-5	Backpacking	3-day Hike – <i>Pre-entry essential</i>	TBA
	Sunday	11	Show Activities	Members Competition Activities Introduction & Breed Information	Bulla
	Tuesday	13	Meeting	Committee	Bulla
DECEMBER	Sunday	2	Christmas Fun Day	Includes BBQ, Funny classes & Agility Comp	Mt Macedon

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

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

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Let's see you do that with Malamutes!

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.

From the Secretary...



Committee Members Needed!

With there being no nominations for Committee positions and a number of long-serving Committee members not able to take on a role in the coming term, we are hoping our members will give consideration to taking on a Committee position.

Brief position descriptions have been posted on the AMCV Facebook site, however if you would like a copy or more information, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Ian, or send us an email to amcv@bigpond.com.

Annual General Meeting

It would be much appreciated if the recipients of awards to be presented at the AGM could either attend the presentation or nominate a member to receive the award on their behalf. The award winners are listed elsewhere in this newsletter.

Newsletter Items Needed

We welcome input from our members for the Newsletter, whether it be a photo of your Mallies, an entry for "Something to Howl About", an article, advertisement or any other item of general interest to the Malamute community. Please send items for the newsletter by email to amcv@bigpond.com.au.

2012 Meeting Dates

Thursday, 11 October AGM / Committee*
 Tuesday, 13 November Committee (TBC)

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.

Sisko

Kemulvak Be My Sisko

Owned & loved by the Guziak Family

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. **FREE TO MEMBERS!!!**

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



**Working Pack Dog
Excellent**

**Ch Niltaran Ernace
Tungulra
FELIX**
Congratulations to Niltaran Kennels and Felix on being awarded his Working Pack Dog Excellent title.



**Working Team
Dog**

**Kataku Mystical Dawn
LUNA**
Congratulations to Ian Luke and Luna on achieving her Working Team Dog title.



**Working Weight Pull
Dog Excellent**

**Thomla Sweet Oopsa
Daisy
DAISY**
Congratulations to Ian Luke and Daisy on being awarded her Working Weight Pull Dog and Working Weight Pull Dog Excellent titles.



**Working Pack
Dog Excellent**

**Ch Niltaran Ernace
Zuberi
ZELBY**
Congratulations to James Ganson and Zelby on being awarded her Working Pack Dog Excellent title.



**New Australian
Champion**

**Ch Asleda Limited
Edition
SHELBY**
Congratulations to Sharen & Colin McPhan & Shelby on achieving her Australian Champion title on 12 August.



**Working Weight
Pull Dog Excellent**

**Thomla Sweet Skykat
PADDY**
Congratulations to Di Mitchell and Paddy on being awarded his WWPDX title.



**Working
Weight Pull Dog**

**Chimo Ice Eagle
CHARDY**
Congratulations to Mel Gray and Chardy on gaining her Working Weight Pull Dog title



**New Australian
Champion**

**Ch Southrnwolf Catch
Me Ifu Can**
Congratulations to Antionette Wagenvoort & Charlie on achieving his Australian Champion title.

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 4*	Sunday, 7 October	KCC PARK	9.45 – 10.15 AM	10.30 AM

*This event will count towards the 2013 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. Prizes 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

AMCV Events: Phone: Di Mitchell 0439 540 981

ASTCV Events: Phone Sanda Stankovic 0422 531 151

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.

Members' Competition & Activities Day



Sledding



Weight Pulling



Backpacking



Showing

Extreme Weather Policy
 Please note that this event may be cancelled if forecast temperature on day of event is equal to or greater than 30°C, or in extreme weather conditions. If unsure, please check the website www.amcv.org.au, phone or email to confirm.

Sunday, 11 November - 11.00 am – 2.00 pm

Bulla Exhibition Centre - Calabria Club, 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla
 Melways Map Reference 177 F8

Alaskan Malamute information, introduction to activities & Members' Show Competition

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

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

Further Information:
 Phone Sandy on 9714 8540
 Email: amcv@bigpond.com



Obedience & Puppy Socialising

Members' Competition

Entries:	Enter on the day - \$3.00 entry fee	
Classes:	Dogs:	Bitches:
	21 (Champion)	21A (Champion)
	1 (Baby Puppy)	1A (Baby Puppy)
	3 (Puppy)	3A (Puppy)
	4 (Junior)	4A (Junior)
	11 (Open)	11A (Open)
	Desexed Dog	Desexed Bitch
Property Classes:	Best Head – Dog, Best Head – Bitch, Best Gait & Best Tail	

Do your dog a favour and come along!

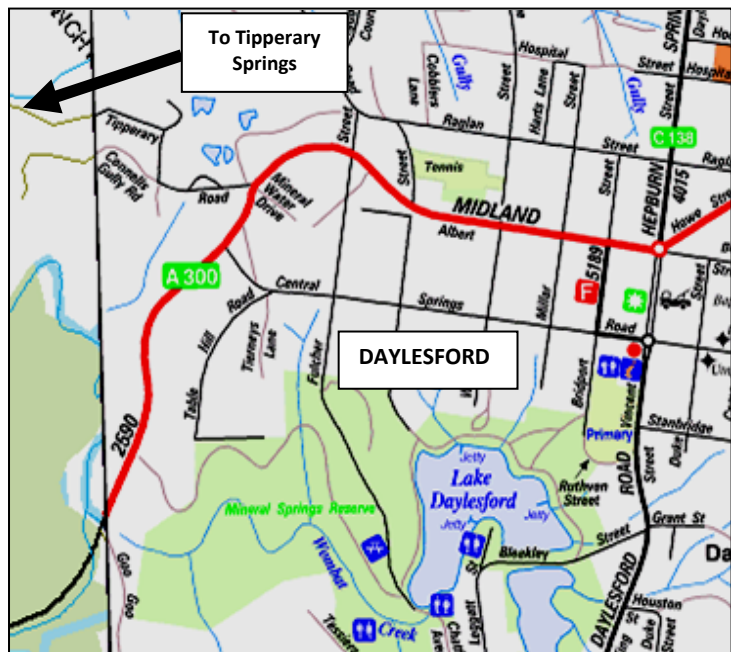


Non-members, spectators and other breeds all welcome

BACKPACKING - Day Hike

Saturday, 13 October
 Tipperary Springs, Daylesford

Tipperary Road - Melways map reference 609 C 9
Register by 8.30 am - hike commences at 9 am sharp



Hike Distance: Approx. 17 km

This trail is moderately hilly with some steeper sections

How to get there: From the centre of Daylesford take the Midland Highway heading west towards Ballarat. Proceed for approximately 1 km and turn right into Tipperary Road (opposite Mineral Water Drive) down into the Tipperary Springs car park.

Trail Information: The Tipperary Walking track is part of the Great Dividing Trail which traces the route of the old water races cut by miners last century, past gold fields & mineral springs. The track is mainly narrow and undulating, with some steeper sections and steps and with a stop for lunch at Sailors Falls.

Facilities at the Tipperary Springs Picnic Ground:

Toilet, Picnic tables.

Cost: \$3.00 per member or \$5.00 per Family

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

Temperature restriction: EVENTS MAY BE CANCELLED IF THE FORECAST TEMPERATURE IS OVER 25°C: please contact the Backpacking Co-ordinator the day before the hike.

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, sturdy footwear, warm & waterproof clothing (the weather can be unpredictable), human backpack, food, drink, etc.

NOTE: WALKERS MUST CARRY THEIR OWN BASIC FIRST AID ITEMS.

It is important that you arrive early to allow enough time to weigh in your dog and get ready: Please load and weigh your dog's backpack to roughly the correct weight at home to save time when you arrive.

Who can participate: DOGS MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 12 MONTHS OLD TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HIKE.

Dogs must be 18 months old to carry weight to the Working Pack Dog title standard. One dog per handler recommended. You don't have to walk the entire distance, and your dog does not have to have a backpack or carry the entire weight.

Pre-registration: Please notify Stuart if you are interested in coming in case the event is cancelled or venue is changed due to unforeseen circumstances – call 0413 118 305 or email

pandapol@optusnet.com.au or amcv@bigpond.com.au



Cup Weekend WPDx HIKE

Saturday 3rd to Monday 5th November 2012

Venue: Wombat State Forest, starting at Woodend

This is a 3 day hike to the WPDx standard

Total distance approx. 70 km

Hikers must pre-register with the Backpacking Co-ordinator

Venue & Time: Please contact the Backpacking co-ordinator for details of the starting point and time. It will be an early start so those participating are asked to arrive early to allow enough time to weigh dogs & packs and get ready.

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

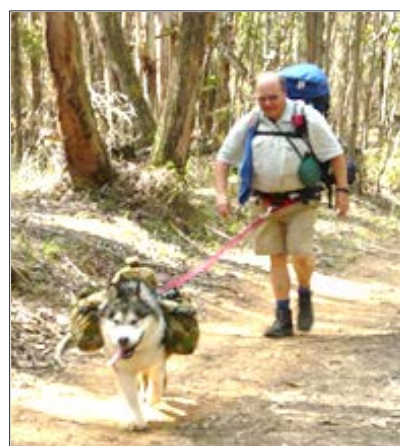
What you will need*: Hikers must be self-sufficient. Items you will need to carry include the following:

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

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

Pre-registration: Please notify Stuart if you are interested in coming in case the event is cancelled or venue is changed due to unforeseen circumstances – call 0413 118 305 or email pandapol@optusnet.com.au or amcv@bigpond.com.au

NOTE: Dogs are to be kept on lead at all times and remain the responsibility of their owner/handler at all AMCV events.



Christmas Fun Day



Sunday, 2 December
Commencing at approximately 11.00 am

Days Picnic Ground
Lions Head Road, Mt Macedon
2007 Melways Map Reference 609 G10

There will be a raffle, prizes, great canine Christmas Gifts available from our Dog Shop and you can enter your dog in our games, agility competition and other fun events.

DIRECTIONS: from Melbourne: follow the Calder Highway past Gisborne. Take the Macedon/Mt Macedon turnoff and turn right at the T-intersection, heading under the freeway. Continue straight ahead at the roundabout and stay on the Mount Macedon Road, continue through Mt Macedon township. Not far past the turnoff to the Camels Hump, turn right towards Sanatorium Lake / Barringo Road and take the left fork into Lions Head Road. The AMCV will be setting up at the far end of the picnic ground – look for the club banner.

WHAT TO BRING:

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

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

COST: Members: FREE Non-members: \$5.00

Fun & Games for everyone!



Funny Classes

Best Fancy Dress (dog & handler)
Waggiest Tail
Best Trick
Baldest Dog
Furriest Dog
Lickiest Dog
Noisiest Dog & more

Fun Agility Competition

BBQ lunch will be followed with gifts for the kids and our fun agility competition.

Everyone is welcome and every dog can enter!

For further information please phone Sandy & Ralph on 9714 8540 or email amcv@bigpond.com



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, 11 October, 2012

to commence at 7.30 pm

Bulla Exhibition Centre, 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla
Melways Map Reference 177 G 8

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Appointment of Returning Officer and 2 Scrutineers
3. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
(as published in the December, 2011 Malamute Mail)
4. Correspondence
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Committee Reports
7. Award Presentations
 - Show & Obedience titles
 - Register of Achievement
 - Working Dog Titles
 - Sled Dog & Driver Point Score Competition
 - State Cup Race
 - Top Weight-Pull Dog Competition
8. Election of office bearers and committee members

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE BEARERS

President:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Vice President - Breed Welfare:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Vice President – Activities:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Secretary/Public Officer:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Treasurer:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Newsletter Editor:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Referral & Puppy Registrar:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Publicity & Education Officer:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Fundraising Officer:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Obedience Co-Ordinator:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Malamute Health Officer:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Show Secretary:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Backpacking Co-Ordinator:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Sledding Co-Ordinator:	<i>No nominations received</i>
Weightpull Co-Ordinator:	<i>No nominations received</i>

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

AGM AWARDS PRESENTATION

REGISTER OF ACHIEVEMENT (ROA)

BISS Ch Katakū Hurricane Wilfred WTD WPD WWPDX
"Wilfred" owned by Ian Luke, Bred by Katakū Kennels

Ch Niltaran Ernace Tungulra WPDX "Felix"
owned and bred by Niltaran Kennels

Thomla Sweet Skykat WTD WPD WWPDX "Paddy" owned by
Di Mitchell, Bred by Thomla Kennels

Thomla Sweet Oopsa Daisy WTD WPD WWPDX "Daisy" owned
by Ian Luke, Bred by Thomla Kennels

NEW CHAMPIONS

Ch Kortmar Three Days Grace (IID) owned by Niltaran Kennels
Ch Niltaran Ernace Buniq owned & bred by Niltaran Kennels
Ch Niltaran Ernace Tungulra owned & bred by Niltaran Kennels
Ch Asleda Limited Edition owned by S McPhan
Ch Southrnwolf Catch Me Ifu Can owned by A Wagenvoort

ENDURANCE TITLE

Tanome Jack O Diamonds ET - S McPhan

ANNUAL WEIGHT PULL COMPETITION

Under 36 kg Class:

- 1st: Thomla Sweet Oopsa Daisy "Daisy"- Ian Luke
- 2nd: Katakū Avalanche "Avalanche" – Merv Turner
- 3rd: Thomla Sweet Skykat "Paddy" – Di Mitchell

36-45 kg Class:

- 1st: Chimo Ice Eagle "Chardy" – Mel Gray
- 2nd: Katakū All Shadow "Shadow" – Bradley Acht
- 3rd: Ch Tanome King of the Mountain "Brock"
– Sharen McPhan

Top Weight Pull Dog of the Year

Thomla Sweet Oopsa Daisy owned by Ian Luke

SLEDDING STATE CUP

1-Dog Class: Ralph Koch & Bosco

2-Dog Class: Vaughan Winther: Jazz & Hamish

4-Dog Class: Colin McPhan: Darcy, Jack & Jai

SLEDDING DOG & DRIVER POINT SCORE COMPETITION

1-Dog Class:

- 1st Ralph Koch & Bosco
- 2nd Stuart Vanderpol & Jethro
- 3rd: Di Mitchell & Paddy

2-Dog Class:

- 1st: Ian Luke: Luna Wilfred
- 2nd: James Ganson: Felix Zelby
- 3rd: Vaughan Winther: Jazz Hamish

4-Dog Class:

- 1st: Colin McPhan: Darcy, Jack & Jai
- 2nd: Ian Luke: Daisy, Luna & Wilfred
- 3rd: Vaughan Winther: Gabby, Jet & Diesel

Sledding Rookie of the Year

Simon Klrkpatrick

Sledding Encouragement Award

Fred Parker

It would be much appreciated if all award recipients could be at the AGM to receive their awards, or nominate someone to receive the award on their behalf.

WORKING DOG TITLES

Title	Dog's Name	Owners
Working Pack Dog Excellent	Ch Niltaran Ernace Tungulra "Felix"	Niltaran Kennels
Working Pack Dog Excellent	Ch Niltaran Ernace Zuberi "Zelby"	James Ganson
Working Team Dog	Tanome Against the Grain "Darcy"	Sharen McPhan
Working Team Dog	Kataku Mystical Dawn "Luna"	Ian Luke
Associate Working Weight Pull Dog	Crazytown Bat Outa Hell "Scooby"	Sanda Stankovic
Working Weight Pull Dog	Thomla Sweet Oopsa Daisy "Daisy"	Ian Luke
Working Weight Pull Dog	Chimo Ice Eagle "Miss Chardy"	Mel Gray
Working Weight Pull Dog Excellent	Thomla Sweet Skykat "Paddy"	Di Mitchell
Working Weight Pull Dog Excellent	Thomla Sweet Oopsa Daisy "Daisy"	Ian Luke

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

Weight Pull Annual Competition results

Weight class	Place	Handler	Dog	Date	Dog's weight(kg)	Weight Pulled (kg)	Time	Weight / weight ratio	Total Weight pulled (kg) - Best 4
<36 kg	1	Ian Luke	Daisy	16/10/2011	32.4	727	40.1	22.40	2530
				21/04/2012	31.8	601	64.8	18.90	
				2/09/2012	32.9	664	49.75	20.18	
				16/09/2012	31.8	538	60.0	16.91	
	2	Merv Turner	Avalanche	16/10/2011	36.9	917	14.9	24.80	1644
				16/09/2012	35.5	727	52.9	20.50	
	3	Di Mitchell	Paddy	16/10/2011	31.5	664	16.1	21.10	1265
				2/09/2012	30.8	601	35.4	19.51	
	4	Ian Luke	Wilfred	21/04/2012	34.4	538	8.7	15.60	1076
				16/09/2012	36.1	538	9.2	14.92	
	5	Sandy Koch	Wuggy	21/04/2012	36.7	328	25.9	8.90	816
				5/05/2012	36.5	244	37.7	6.64	
				16/09/2012	33.0	244	34.7	7.32	
	6	Merv Turner	Claude	16/10/2011	31.9	601	43.1	18.84	803
				16/09/2012	29.1	202	12.6	6.94	
	7	Sandy Koch	Bosco	5/05/2012	37.8	244	8.4	6.45	572
16/09/2012				35.8	328	11.1	9.16		
8	Merv Turner	Reggie	16/09/2012	33.2	286	11.8	8.62	286	
37-45 kg	1	Melanie Gray	Chardy	21/04/2012	41.1	538	29.0	13.10	2131
				5/05/2012	41.1	538	29.0	13.10	
				2/09/2012	40.4	601	61.0	14.88	
				16/09/2012	40.5	454	22.2	11.21	
	2	Bradley Acht	Shadow	16/10/2011	44.5	981	24.6	22.00	1771
				16/09/2012	42.4	790	18.8	18.63	
	3	Colin McPhan	Brock	16/10/2011	39.2	664	11.2	16.90	1202
				5/05/2012	38.7	538	13.5	13.90	
	4	Merv Turner	Wesley	16/10/2011	37.7	370	24.6	9.81	908
				16/09/2012	40.5	538	13.6	13.28	
	5	Stuart Vanderpol	Jethro	16/09/2012	41.9	454	24.8	10.83	454

Top Weight Pull Dog of the Year

Place	Dog's name	Registered Name	Owner / Handler	W:W Ratio Best 4
1	Daisy	Thomla Sweet Oopsa Daisy	Ian Luke	78.39
2	Chardy	Chimo Ice Eagle	Melanie Gray	52.29
3	Avalanche	Kataku Avalanche	Merv Turner	45.30



Right: Top Weight Pull Dog – Daisy

2012 Weight-Pull Event Results

Weight Pull Event 3 - ASTCV

2 September 2012 - KCC Park

Weight Class	Overall Place	Mal Place	Owner/Handler	Dog	Breed	Dog's Weight (kg)	Weight Pulled (kg)	Time (secs)	Weight/W eight Ratio
< 18 kg	1		Belinda O'Shea	Eddie		17.6	328	30.3	18.64
19-27 kg	1		Angela Hart	Raven		26.0	496	11.75	19.05
	2		Eliza Perry	Lilly		24.4	454	37.19	18.60
	3		Donna Treadwell	Fonz		19.4	244	56.44	12.58
	4		Corey Barclay	Beau		27.85	328	41.04	11.78
28-36 kg	1	1	Ian Luke	Daisy	AM	32.9	664	49.75	20.18
	2	2	Di Mltchell	Paddy	AM	30.8	601	35.40	19.51
	3		Eliza Perry	Mack		32.3	601	16.10	18.60
	4		Darren	Jake		30.2	328	47.18	10.86
	5		Sally Laity	Bundy		32.2	328	27.84	10.19
37-45 kg	1	1	Melanie Gray	Chardy	AM	40.4	601	61.0	14.88
	2		Simone Dines	Breeza		37.95	538	37.53	14.17

Highest Pull for the Day: 664 kg pulled by Daisy

Best Pull for the Day: Weight:Weight ratio of 20.18 pulled by Daisy

Weight Pull Event 4 - AMCV Tuggy Shield Event

16 September 2012 - KCC Park

Weight Class	Overall Place	Mal Place	Owner/Handler	Dog	Breed	Dog's Weight (kg)	Weight Pulled (kg)	Time (secs)	Weight / Weight Ratio
< 36 kg	1	1	Merv Turner	Avalanche	AM	35.45	727	52.9	20.5
	2		Ivan Vuga	Scooby		33.45	601	10.8	17.96
	3	2	Ian Luke	Wilfred	AM	36.05	538	9.2	14.92
	4		Eliza Perry	Mack		32.25	538	19.3	16.68
	5	3	Ian Luke	Daisy	AM	31.8	538	60.0	16.91
	6		Angela Hart	Raven		26.55	454	15.6	17.09
	7		Angela Hart	Ronin		30.9	412	25.7	13.33
	8		Eliza Perry	Lilly		24.5	412	28.5	16.81
	9		Ivan Vuga	Wiggles		25.3	370	8.3	14.62
	10	4	Sandy Koch	Bosco	AM	35.8	328	11.1	9.16
	11		Ivan Vuga	Boo		26.95	328	48.3	12.17
	12	5	Merv Turner	Reggie	AM	33.15	286	11.8	8.62
	13		Corey Barclay	Beau		28.75	286	12.1	9.94
	14		Donna Treadwell	Fonz		19.35	286	19.5	14.80
	15	6	Sandy Koch	Wuggy	AM	33.0	244	34.7	7.32
	16	7	Merv Turner	Claude	AM	29.1	202	12.6	6.94
	17		Eliza Perry	Cleo		26.1	160	49.0	6.13
37 – 45 kg	1	1	Bradley Acht	Shadow	AM	42.4	790	18.8	18.63
	2		Simone Dines	Breeza		38.8	538	7.5	13.86
	3	2	Merv Turner	Wesley	AM	40.5	538	13.6	13.28
	4	3	Mel Gray	Chardy	AM	40.5	454	22.2	11.21
	5	4	Stuart Vanderpol	Jethro	AM	41.9	454	24.8	10.83
46 – 55 kg	1		Sue Murray	Kai	BMD	61.5	601	28.2	9.77

Highest Pull for the Day: 790 kg pulled by Shadow

Tuggy Shield awarded for Best Pull for the Day: Weight:Weight ratio of 20.5 pulled by Avalanche

TUGGY SHIELD WEIGHT PULL EVENT 16 September



The flying Scooby



Top weight pull Dog of the Year, Daisy



Multi Tuggy Shield winner, Avalanche



Mack



Fonz – completely airborne!



Wilfred



Bernese Mountain Dog, Kai



Jethro – also airborne...



Chardy



Breeza



Dancin' Wesley



Shadow - Highest Weight Pulled

THANK YOU

A big thanks to those who donated sashes for the Tuggy Shield Weight Pull Event.

Robin Bourke
Ian Luke
Di Mitchell

Stewart Cumming & Linda Hewat
Colin & Sharen McPhan
Ralph & Sandy Koch

PURE FUN, PURE SPORT, PURE ENDURANCE

If you want to have fun with your dog, training it for something different and at the same time proving it has stamina and willingness to work with you, this could be the test for you.

Can you ride a bike at the same time as controlling your dog on the end of a loose two metre lead, or are you a runner who will be quite happy to run 20kms with your dog? If so, then read on.



This particular test is where all the various dog activities covered by DOGS Victoria can come together. This is your opportunity to meet people from disciplines other than the one you are already involved in.

You have to be able to train your dog to run alongside you whilst you either ride your bike or run with him/her. Experience has shown that you do not need to cover long distances during training, frequent runs over shorter distances, gradually building the dog's fitness is the way to go.

The endurance test is over a distance of 20kms and is split into three sections, the first being eight kilometres. The second and third are six kilometres. There is a break of 15 minutes between the first and second sections and 20 minutes between the second and third sections.

All this is carefully watched over by a judge. The dog's fitness and condition is monitored by a team of vets who examine each dog during the breaks.

Any person entering an ET must supply a certificate from their vet confirming the dog's fitness to take part. You do not have to worry about your dog's ability to continue during the test, as it is being constantly checked.

At the beginning, and before any running takes place, the team of vets will check each dog and compare the data on the certificate supplied on entry with its current condition. If all is OK the judge will give the handler and dog a very simple obedience test to check its willingness to obey.

The running or cycling part of the ET is carried out at a speed of 10kms per hour or one kilometre every six minutes. This is really a very gentle jog for cyclist or runner and most dogs enjoy gaiting at this speed. The whole test takes two hours and 35 minutes including the intervening breaks.

During this time you get to chat with other competitors as you travel the course, it really is an enjoyable experience.

During the breaks and again 15 minutes after the end of the 20kms the vets will check your dog's condition. After the final vet check, there will be a repeat of the simple obedience test to prove your dog is just as willing to obey as he was before the ET began.



When you have successfully finished the test, you will be presented with a qualifying certificate signed by the judge.

On application to DOGS Victoria your dog will be awarded the endurance title and the letters ET will be added after his/her registered name.

To view the endurance rules please go to www.ankc.org.au/Rules.aspx

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REGISTER OF ACHIEVEMENT

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

CH NILTARAN ERNACE TUNGULRA WPDX ROA "Felix"

Sire: Ch Katakū Rain N Fire (AI)
Dam: Ch Kortmar Three Days Grace (IID)
Whelped: 25/1/2008
Owner: Niltaran Kennels
Breeder: Niltaran Kennels
Achievements: Australian Champion
 Working Pack Dog Excellent (AMCV)



Breeders' Directory

Kennel Name	Location	Contact Name	Contact Phone No.	Other Contact Information
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Obedience Sessions

Held by the Rottweiler Club of Victoria – Malamutes welcome!

What to Bring: Your dog, appropriate collar and lead, water & treats for your dog.

Restrictions: Puppies must be at least 13 weeks of age.

Costs: \$5 per session, or \$20 for 5 sessions.

Where & Whenn: Obedience practice sessions are scheduled weekly as follows:



Date	Register	Starting	Venue / Directions
Tuesdays	7.00 pm	7.30 pm	Bulla: Calabria Club, 5 Uniting Lane, Bulla <i>Melways Map Ref. 177 F8</i>
Wednesdays	7.00 pm	7.30 pm	KCC Park, Westernport Highway, Skye (1.5 km south of Thompsons Rd) <i>Melways Map Ref. 128 H 12</i>

Check the Rottweiler Club of Victoria Website for further details and to confirm session dates
www.rotweilerclubofvictoria.com – click on the ‘Training Venues’ link on the left side of the homepage.

The following article is reprinted from the RSPCA News – Summer 2012.

Rewards Based Training

Training is one of the most important responsibilities of owning a pet. In fact, a well-trained pet makes for a happier and healthier animal all round. Training helps strengthen the bond between an animal and its owners, and can build communication, understanding and mutual respect for the whole family.

As an owner, your pet will become more responsive to you with the right training and you’ll also be able to set boundaries around socially acceptable behaviour.

Training is particularly important for dogs. It’s easier and far more beneficial to prevent behaviour problems in your dog than to modify them. When looking at training options, the RSPCA recommends that you look into reward-based or “positive” training methods where your dog is set up to succeed and then rewarded for performing the “good” behaviour (also known as positive reinforcement).

In order to be a happy and well-adjusted member of your household and society, dogs require rules and consistency in order to understand what is expected of them. They learn about what is “right” through repetition, an understanding approach and reinforcing behaviour you want to see. In reward-based training methods, ongoing companionship as well as mental and physical stimulation helps build trust and respect with your animal that assists it in reaching its full potential.

Reward-based training is enjoyable for your dog and enhances the bond between you and your pet.

This positive reinforcement training is the most effective and humane way of training your dog and addressing any unwanted behaviours. Reward-based training does not involve aversive techniques, physical punishment or the assertion of dominance over the dog.

Rewards may be in the form of a food treat or verbal praise such as “good dog!” in a pleasant tone of voice, to be given when the dog performs the “good” behaviour. This technique involves generally ignoring any “unwanted” behaviour. If your dog isn’t rewarded with attention or a treat, then it’s likely to stop performing that behaviour.

Punishment and negative reinforcement training methods, including, taking away privileges, inflicting pain or some other negative outcome, have been linked with undesirable side effects for dogs. This could include aggression in self-defence, escape and avoidance behaviour, learned helplessness (depression) and fear of people or the environment where the punishment occurs.

The RSPCA is always on hand to help provide advice in relation to animal behaviours and training. We have an expert team who are specialised in their fields if you need help building a stronger bond with your pet or assistance with an issue - we’re here to help!

Other strategies to consider alongside reward-based training to modify your dog’s behaviours may include:

- Seek the advice of a qualified trainer, or enrol in a training course with your dog, to learn how to implement further reward-based training techniques;
- Have your pet medically checked by a vet to rule out any underlying medical issues that might be contributing to undesirable behaviour;
- Seek further advice from a veterinary behavioural specialist if required, so that a behavioural modifications plan can be tailored to the dog’s needs.

For further information visit rspca.org/services/behaviour-and-training



Sledding Results - Correction:

Please note that Vaughan Winther ran Diesel, Gabby & Jet (not Buckley or Maggie) in the 4-dog class at the You Yangs on 19 May. Amended results are as follows:

Event Results: 19 May 2012 – You Yangs

4-Dog		Distance (km) 6.4				
Place	Name	Dog(s)	Time (h:m:s)	Kph	Windchill Factor	Point Score
1	Colin McPhan	Jack Jai Shelby Darcy	0:27:51	13.79	100.00	100
2	Ian Luke	Daisy Luna Wilfred	0:28:02	13.70	99.35	99
3	Ryan Cooling	Junior Sable Suka	0:28:59	13.25	96.09	
4	Stewart Cumming	Billy Baloo Maple Timber	0:29:13	13.14	95.32	98
5	Vaughan Winther	Diesel Gabby Jet	0:36:43	10.46	75.85	97
6	Jo Winther	Betty Bridie Sasha Sera	0:40:31	9.48	68.74	96
7	E'vette Levett	Argos Eden Genna Seven	1:21:58	4.68	33.98	

Sledding Point Score Results:

4-Dog – Best 3 out of 5 results											
Place	Name	Dogs	19 May	20 May	2/3 June	Goldseekers	30 June	1 July	State Cup	Total	Best 3
1	Colin McPhan	Jack Jai Darcy (Shelby)	100	100			100		100	400	300
2	Ian Luke	Daisy Luna Wilfred	99	99						198	198
3	Vaughan Winther	Diesel Gabby Jet (Maggie)	97		100					197	197
4	Vaughan Winther	Buckley Gabby Jet Maggie							99	99	99
4	Vaughan Winther	Buckley Diesel Jet Maggie					99			99	99
6	Stewart Cumming	Billy Baloo Maple Timber	98							98	98
7	Jo Winther	Betty Bridie Sasha Sera	96							96	96

Apologies to Vaughan for the error.

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Interview with IAN LUKE: Author of “Frozen Below”

Provide a few details about yourself to preface the interview – where you live, family (married/pets), anything else you think would be suitable.

I currently live in Woodend, a small rural village in Victoria, Australia, with my teenage son, 4 Malamutes and a Siberian Husky. My ex-wife and I got our first Malamute as a wedding present over 20 years ago, and it's been all systems Malamute since then.



Over the years since, I've owned 15 malamutes, bred a couple of litters, made up most of the dogs into champions, enjoyed sledding, backpacking and weightpulling, and became a conformation judge (currently licensed to judge about 30 breeds). I've been fortunate enough to have been invited to judge in New Zealand and America, and have experienced the joy of winning a Specialty on 2 occasions. I'm heavily involved in my local breed club and have been for many years, and I do what I can to support rescue, which just breaks my heart.

What inspired you to write the book?

I'd worked in law for over 20 years, before leaving to work for myself in a more physical business. But after 20 plus years of working behind a desk, I found I needed something mentally stipulating, and writing was a great outlet.

How did you start writing?

After the first 20 odd years of my working life were spent behind a desk in a law firm, where a large part of my role involved written communication, sitting down to write through the idea of the book seemed a natural progression.

What was your favorite part of the book (without giving away too much of the plot to those who haven't yet read it!)?

There are a couple of parts I really enjoyed. Firstly, describing the main character, Tim, sledding down the roadway outside his home, because it reminded me of the sheer joy of standing on the runners watching your best friends doing what they were meant to, with big grins on their furry faces. And the other part that stands out was Tim's encounter with a bull, which was something that had me chuckling.

What was the hardest part to write in the book?

Probably the first few words! But other than that, I wanted the story to be fast paced, so keeping it moving was a challenge.

Is there anything you wish you'd done differently in the book?

I suppose I could have been a little more descriptive in regards to effects of fierce winds, but other than that probably not.

What are YOUR favourite authors/books?

I have a fascination for Arctic/Antarctic travel, sled dog history and Malamute history particularly. So pretty much anything along those lines that I can get my hands on is going to be a favorite. I have a few that stand out, the Seeley/Riddle book “The Complete

Alaskan Malamute”, the Brooks/Wallis book “The Alaskan Malamute Yesterday and Today”, Hudson Stuck's “Ten Thousand Miles With A Dog Sled”, Arthur Waldon's “Dog Puncher On The Yukon”, Hubbard's “Mush You Malamutes”. Col Norman Vaughan's books are also great stuff. Susan Conant's stories are always an entertaining read.

Non dog related favorite authors include Matthey Reilly, Robert Heinlein, Anne McCaffrey, Tolkien, Stephan Donaldson....it's a long list!

How did you come up with the story?

Several years ago I listened to a senior meteorologist explain how the scenario portrayed in the movie “The Day After Tomorrow” could not be ruled out, as it was by no means impossible. He went on to say that because of Australia's proximity to Antarctica, Australia could just as easily be affected as countries closer to the Arctic. A few days later, sitting around a campfire with some friends at an organized sledding event, the subject came up, and in a, shall we say liquidly induced relaxed state, the discussion went something along the lines of “How cool would that be!” Later, in a more sober state, the thought that it wouldn't be all that “cool” seeped through, and I began to wonder about what would happen. The story grew in my mind from there, until I decided to put pen to paper. Or rather, fingers to keyboard.

What kind of research did you do for this book?

I was fortunate that my love of Malamutes and all the reading I'd done on Arctic/Antarctic history had left me with a lot of the knowledge I needed. I refreshed on Antarctic weather, terrain and conditions, and was able to refer back to books like “This Accursed Land” and “The Home Of The Blizzard”.

What's a typical working day like for you? When and where do you write? Do you set a daily writing goal?

I'd love to say I write for a living, but the sad truth is I don't. Yet! I have a business to run, so it's up in the morning and out the door. I write at night, sitting at the dining table. I always try to write at least 500 words in a session, but there are times when the words simply won't come.

What is the hardest part of writing for you?

Trying to ensure the story moves along at a good pace and doesn't get bogged down and boring.

What's the best thing about being an author?

I find the process of writing to be extremely enjoyable. But having people contact me to say how much they enjoyed the book has been amazing. The thought that I was able to entertain someone is incredibly rewarding. And 2 people close to me stand out- my brother and my son- neither enjoy reading, but they both lost themselves within the pages of Frozen Below and that gave me the most amazing feeling of accomplishment. What are you working on now?

The sequel to Frozen Below.

What advice would you give aspiring writers?

Have faith in yourself! I finished writing Frozen Below and then sat on it for months, with no intention of ever

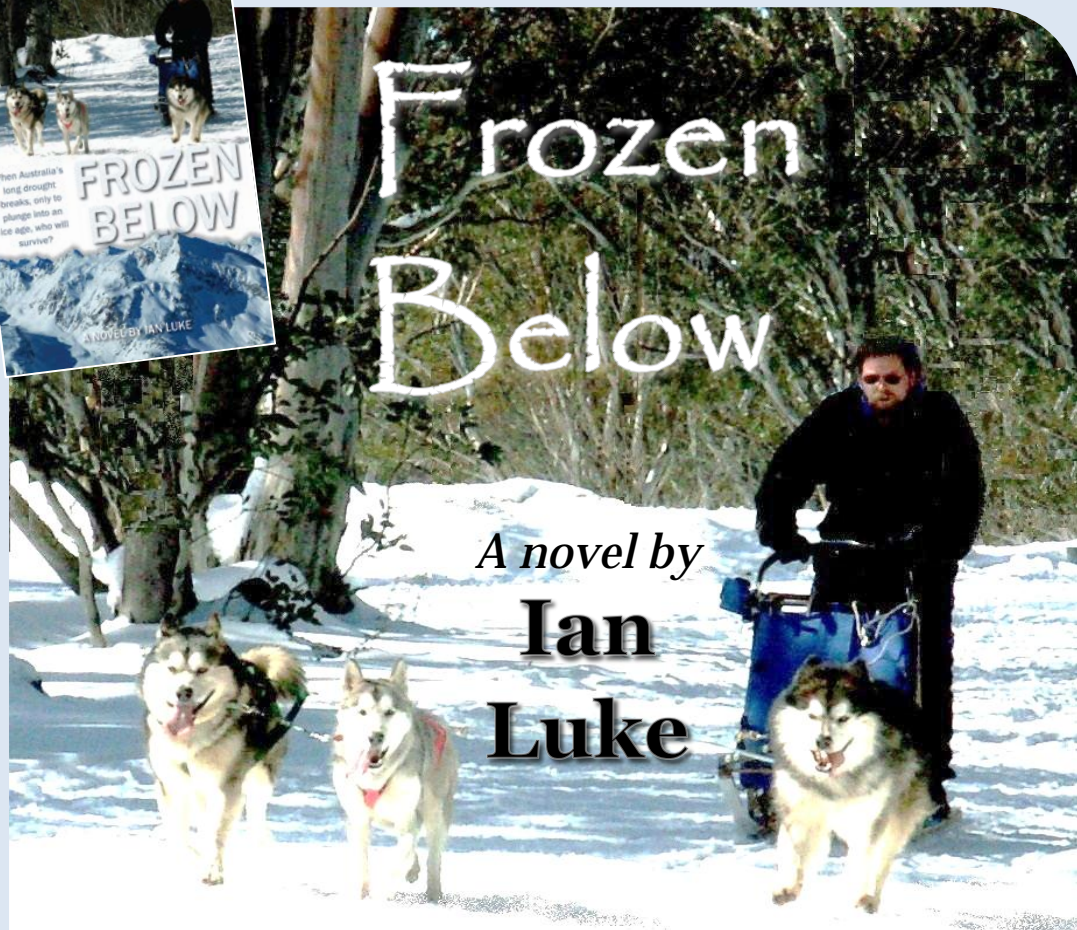
seeking to publish. A spur of the moment decision to ask someone to read it and give me their opinion, and the response I got, gave me the belief that it was good enough to put out there. And don't be afraid to seek out experienced writers for advice. The wonderful Susan Conant was extremely helpful in putting me in touch with an editor, and with some priceless information about the publishing industry.

What question have you always wanted to be asked in an interview? How would you answer that question?

Arrggghhh!!!! Hardest question of the interview! I don't know what the answer is, because the thought of being interviewed never occurred to me before.

If you were writing a book about your life, what would the title be?

Either "Oops", "Glad I'm here", or "Thanks for coming" 🐾



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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Alaskan Malamute Activities & Information Day

Sunday, 23 September 2012



AMCV Clothing

Jackets \$45.00 (+ \$12.00 P&H)

Long sleeve polar fleece jacket with full length zip, pockets and embroidered AMCV logo.

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Royal Melbourne Show – Alaskan Malamute Results

Baby Puppy Dog

- 1 Ms B McCombe: KEMULVAK KIIBUYAT BRUCE EDWRDO

Puppy Dog

- 1 Miss H & R French-Davis & Mrs S Turner: HAMALEK CRUZE CONTROL (AI)
- 2 Ms S McPhan: TANOME LEGEND OF THE KNIGHT (AI)

Puppy Bitch

- 1 Ms H French-Davis: HAMALEK STAR STRUCK AI
- 2 Mr M Frigo & Ms T Syme: ALMYTEE WIKVAYA HOPE

Junior Bitch

- 1 Mr I Luke: KATAKU MYSTIC DAWN (A.I.)
- 2 Niltaran Kennels: NILTARAN KARUZR BLAZER (A.I)

Intermediate Dog

- 1 Mr S Presland: SOUTHRNWOLF ATRIC ICE PAKA
- 2 Mrs A Wagenvoort: CH SOUTHRNWOLF CATCH ME IFU CAN

Intermediate Bitch

- 1 Ms B McCombe: CH KEMULVAK RED RED WINE (A.I.)

Australian Bred Dog

- 1 H French, R Davis & S Turner: CH KATAKU FOR YR EYES ONLY
- 2 Ms S McPhan: CH TANOME KING OF THE MOUNTAIN E.T.
- 3 Niltaran Kennels: CH NILTARAN ERNACE TUNGULRA

Australian Bred Bitch

- 1 Mr I Luke: THOMLA SWEET OOPS A DAISY
- 2 Niltaran Kennels: NILTARAN KARUZR SHIIVA (A.I)

Open Dog

- 1 H French, R Davis & S Turner: CH HAMALEK RUMBLE IN THE JUNGLE
- 2 Mr S Presland: AM CH FIRESTORM MASTER CHIEF (Imp USA)
- 3 Mr I Luke: CH KATAKU HURRICANE WILFRED

Open Bitch

- 1 Mrs L J & Miss A Martin & Katakku Kennels: CH KATAKU MYSTICAL CHARM
- 2 Mrs S Turner: CH KATAKU DIAMONDS R FOREVA
- 3 Niltaran Kennels: CH NILTARAN ERNACE SAKARI

BEST OF BREED & CHALLENGE BITCH: Mrs L J & Miss A Martin & Katakku Kennels: CH KATAKU MYSTICAL CHARM

R/UP BEST OF BREED & RESERVE CHALLENGE BITCH: Mrs S Turner: CH KATAKU DIAMONDS R FOREVA

CHALLENGE DOG: H French, R Davis & S Turner: CH HAMALEK RUMBLE IN THE JUNGLE

RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG: Miss H & R French-Davis & Mrs S Turner: HAMALEK CRUZE CONTROL (AI)

BEST PUPPY OF BREED: Miss H & R French-Davis & Mrs S Turner: HAMALEK CRUZE CONTROL (AI)

BEST BABY PUPPY OF BREED: Ms B McCombe: KEMULVAK KIIBUYAT BRUCE EDWRDO

You Yangs Hike

1 September

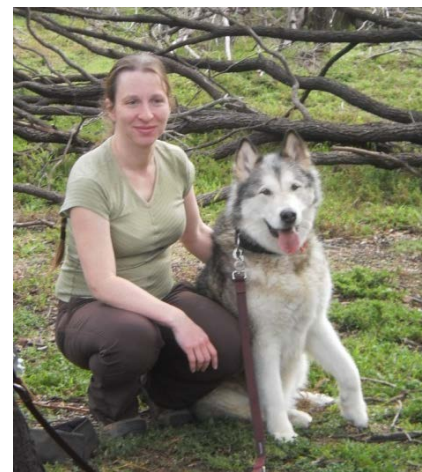
A lovely day at the You Yangs was enjoyed by Kelly & Courtney with 11 year old Sass, Stuart with 11 year old Panda, Kevin with Asher, Ralph with Wuggy and Sandy with Meeca. Congratulations to Meeca and Wuggy on gaining a leg towards their Working Pack Dog title.



Kevin with Asher



Sandy & Meeca, Stuart with Panda & Jethro



Kelly & Sass



Courtney & Panda, Kelly & Sass



Lunch break: Meeca, Wuggy, Ralph & Stuart



Ralph & Wuggy, Courtney & Panda

2012 Conformation Point Score

Includes results submitted to 15 September 2012

Most Successful Alaskan Malamute	
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra	43
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain ET	34
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	31
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana	21
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI)	17
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI)	15
McPhan's Ch Asleda Limited Edition	15
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Kirabo	13
Ganson's Ch Niltaran Ernace Zuberi	7
Kataku Knls Kataku Chill In The Air (AI)	6
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI)	3
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI)	1
Top Alaskan Malamute Dog	
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra	25
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain ET	17
Kataku Knls Ch Kataku Major League	14
Hewat/Cummings' Ch Qannik Sno Luck	2
Wagenvoort/Presland Ch Southrnwolf Catch Me Ifu Can	1
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI)	1
Top Alaskan Malamute Bitch	
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	22
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana	20
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI)	16
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Kirabo	15
McPhan's Asleda Limited Edition	15
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI)	14
Kataku Knls Kataku Chill In The Air (AI)	6
Ganson's Ch Niltaran Ernace Zuberi	4
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI)	3
Baby Puppy Dog	
McPhan's Tanome Legend Of The Knight (AI)	8
Turner/French-Davis Hamalek Cruze Control (AI)	3
Baby Puppy Bitch	
McPhan's Tanome Divine Intervention (AI)	2
Minor Puppy Dog	
French-Davis/Turner's Hamalek Cruze Control (AI)	7
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Naoghus	4
McPhan's Tanome Legend Of The Knight (AI)	3
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	
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Naoghus	18
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI)	4
Wagenvoort/Presland Southrnwolf Catch Me Ifu Can	3

Puppy Bitch	
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI)	20
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana	18
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI)	7
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI)	1
Junior Dog	
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Troj Uniq Hektor (AI)	4
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Naoghus	3
Junior Bitch	
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI)	12
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI)	10
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI)	8
Ganson's Siarnak Zelkie Aileana	1
Intermediate Dog	
No Entries	
Intermediate Bitch	
Kataku Knls Kataku Chill In The Air (AI)	2
Australian Bred Dog	
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Tungulra	14
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain E.T.	5
Hewat/Cummings' Ch Qannik Sno Luck	2
Australian Bred Bitch	
McPhan's Asleda Limited Edition	9
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Layla (AI)	6
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Blazer (AI)	4
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Karuzr Shiiva (AI)	2
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	2
Open Dog	
McPhan's Ch Tanome King Of The Mountain E.T.	7
Kataku Knls Ch Kataku Major League	6
Open Bitch	
Niltaran Knls Ch Niltaran Ernace Sakari	10
Ganson's Ch Niltaran Ernace Zuberi	5
Niltaran Knls Niltaran Ernace Kirabo	4

Thank you!



Thanks to those who donated sashes & trophies for our Championship Show:

Utility Dog Club of Victoria	Olive Singer
Elaina Chlebna	Dale Green
Sharon & Rob Troisi	Di Mitchell
Kataku Kennels	Qannik Kennels
Sharen & Colin McPhan	Ian Luke
Ralph & Sandy Koch	Windchill Dog Gear

2012 Show Point Score Competition Rules

The 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.
Please note: The AMCV Championship Show will not be included in the 2013 Show Point Score competition.
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.

Protest Rally Against BREED SPECIFIC LEGISLATION

Sunday, 28 October, 12 noon - Bourke Street Mall

Current Victorian laws on breed specific legislation (BSL) have been proven globally to be ineffective in preventing dog bites and are costly in financial, human and emotional terms and have led to the deaths of many innocent dogs. Both the AVA and now the RSPCA have spoken out publicly stating that BSL does not work.

This event is being run in conjunction with Sydney, who are supporting both Victoria and the global movement to end BSL.

What to bring: comfortable shoes, your family, friends neighbours butchers boilers sailors and candlestick makers (basically everyone!) but pictures of 'pit bulls' are to be kept to a minimum. The rally aims to help prevent situations like in Italy, that had 90-odd breeds banned - this issue is not just about the breeds that we love, it is about encouraging the responsible ownership of canines, as well as the facility to prevent dog attacks via appropriate legislation, education and registration.

PLEASE NOTE THAT DOGS, OTHER THAN ASSISTANCE ANIMALS, ARE NOT ALLOWED, AND IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR ALL TO RESPECT THIS. WE MUST NOT SUBJECT ANY DOG TO SCRUTINY AT THIS TIME.

TIME TABLE OF EVENTS:

- 1200- Meet in Bourke St Mall
- 1230- March up Bourke St to Parliament
- 1300- Protest commences at Parliament, with guest speakers
- 1500- Silent Vigil with Sydney, including a musical interlude
- 1530/1600- Finish

Above information is from the Facebook events page <http://m.facebook.com/events/340374216049853?refid=25&ref=logo>



NO BSL
WILL YOUR DOG
BE NEXT?

STOP BREED SPECIFIC LEGISLATION
(BSL)

RAISING OUR VOICES FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T

Dog intelligence

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Inherited abilities

Further information: Dog behaviour and Pack (canine)

Dogs are pack animals by nature and can understand social structure and obligations, and are capable of interacting with other members of the pack.[1] Adult canines train their young by "correcting" them when they behave in an unacceptable manner (such as biting too hard or eating out of turn) and reward them for acceptable behaviour, by playing with them, feeding them, or cleaning them.

They are also den animals. This means that they can easily learn behaviour related to keeping the den clean (such as housebreaking) and relaxing in an enclosed area (such as a crate during travel or for training).

Some breeds have been selectively bred for hundreds or thousands of years for the quality of learning quickly. That quality has been downplayed for other breeds in favour of other characteristics like the ability to track or hunt game, or to fight other animals. The capacity to learn basic obedience and complicated behaviour, however, is inherent in all dogs. Owners must simply be more patient with some breeds than with others.

Nonetheless, inherited behaviour is not necessarily an indicator of intelligence. For example, a sheep herding breed, like the Border Collie, would be expected to learn how to herd sheep very quickly and might even perform the job with little training. The same breed, however, would be a challenge to train how to point and retrieve game. A Pointer often points to game instinctively and naturally retrieves game without damaging it, but training it to herd sheep would be difficult if not impossible.

Evaluation of intelligence

"Intelligence" is hard to define, whether in dogs, other animals, or humans. The ability to learn quickly might be taken as a sign of intelligence, but such evidence must be interpreted with care, because learning speed may be affected by such things as the effectiveness of the rewards used in training or the motivation or activity level of the dog. For example, some breeds, such as Siberian Huskies, are said to be not particularly rewarded by pleasing their owners, but quickly learn to escape from yards or catch small animals, often using ingenious ways of doing both.[2] Such "problem solving" is another possible measure of intelligence, but a problem might be solved by trying various things until a solution occurs; some dogs may be relatively persistent in such trial-and-error learning while others may be relatively quick to associate the successful behaviour with its result.[citation needed] Still another putative indication of intelligence is the ability to learn many complex things. For example assistance dogs must learn a great number of commands, understand how to act in many situations, and recognize threats to their human companions, some of which they might never before have encountered.



Various studies have attempted to estimate intelligence by

measuring the number of words or signs a dog can learn. A recent example is animal psychologist Juliane Kaminski's paper in *Science* that demonstrated that Rico, a Border Collie, could learn over 200 words.[3] Rico could remember the names of several items for up to four weeks after its last exposure (Kaminski eliminated the Clever Hans effect using strict protocols). Rico was also able to interpret phrases such as "fetch the sock" in terms of its component words (rather than considering its utterance to be a single word). Rico could also give the sock to a specified person. In 2008, Betsy, also a Border Collie, was featured on the cover of *National Geographic Magazine*. Betsy's intelligence rivalled that of Rico's in that she knew over 340 words and was able to connect an object with a photographic image of the object, despite having seen neither before.[4]

In his 1996 book *Good Natured*, ethologist Frans de Waal discusses an experiment on guilt and reprimands conducted on a female Siberian husky. The dog had the habit of shredding newspapers, and when her owner returned home to find the shredded papers and scold her she would act guilty. However, when the owner himself shredded the papers without the dog's knowledge, the dog "acted just as 'guilty' as when she herself had created the mess." De Waal concludes that the "guilt" displayed by dogs is not true guilt but rather the anticipation of the behaviour of an angry superior in a given situation.[5]

A recent study in the journal *PNAS* concluded that dogs can feel complex emotions, like jealousy.[6]

Psychology research has shown that human faces are asymmetrical with the gaze instinctively moving to the right side of a face upon encountering other humans to obtain information about their emotions and state. Research at the University of Lincoln (2008) shows that dogs share this instinct when meeting a human being, and only when meeting a human being (i.e., not other animals or other dogs). As such they are the only non-primate species known to do so.[7][8] School psychologist Kathy Coon developed the first intelligence test for dogs in 1976, with the work continuously revised through 2003. Assessments were developed to test short term memory, agility, ability to adapt, problem solving, unique detour problems, and to see how the dog reacts to conditions which he or she finds unacceptable. The performance of individual dogs was compared to over 100 dogs on which the test was standardized. Additional breed norms were developed in her book, *The Dog Intelligence Test*. [9]

Stanley Coren ranked dog breeds by intelligence in his book *The Intelligence of Dogs* based on surveys done of dog trainers, the article for which contains a summary of the rankings obtained.

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.*

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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.*


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- 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.

Referral Update – Dogs for Adoption

 <p>VIC - Shepparton Name: SOOKIE *Available from October 1st* Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 9 months</p>	 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: BEAR Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 2 years</p>	 <p>NSW - Berkshire Name: MISHKA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Malamute x Husky Age: 7 years</p>
 <p>VIC - Melbourne Name: STAR *To be rehomed with King* Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 2 years</p>	 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: MONTY Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Malamute X GSD Age: 15 months</p>	 <p>QLD - Wacol RSPCA Name: DALLAS Sex: Female - desexed Age: 3 years</p>
 <p>VIC - Melbourne Name: KING *To be rehomed with Star* Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 3 years</p>	 <p>NSW - Queanbeyan Name: NAHLA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 2 years</p>	 <p>QLD - Holmview Name: KEISHA Sex: Female - desexed Age: 9 years Breed: Alaskan Malamute</p>
 <p>VIC - Melbourne Name: TYSON Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 1 year</p>	 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: SASHA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 8 years</p>	 <p>SA - Adelaide Name: DAMON & NIKKI Sex: Male & Female - desexed Age: 5 & 7 years Breed: Alaskan Malamutes</p>
 <p>VIC - Melbourne Name: JIMMY Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Malamute X Age: 4 years</p>	 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: MISTY Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 8 years</p>	 <p>WA - Perth Name: HUNTER Sex: Male - desexed Age: 1 year Breed: Malamute x Border Collie</p>
 <p>VIC - Melbourne Name: KELLY Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 9 years</p>	 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: TYSON & ZU Sex: Males - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 2 years</p>	 <p>WA - Perth Name: STORM Sex: Female - desexed Age: 3 years Breed: Alaskan Malamute</p>
 <p>VIC - Wonga Park Name: MALAYA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Malamute x Husky Age: 18 months</p>	 <p>NSW - Yagoona RSPCA Name: JASPER Sex: Male - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: not provided (young)</p>	 <p>WA - Perth Name: ZEUS Sex: Male - desexed Age: Not known (looks young) Breed: Alaskan Malamute</p>
 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: FIFI Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Malamute x Akita Age: 5 years</p>	 <p>NSW - Sydney Name: XENA Sex: Female - desexed Breed: Alaskan Malamute Age: 5 years</p>	

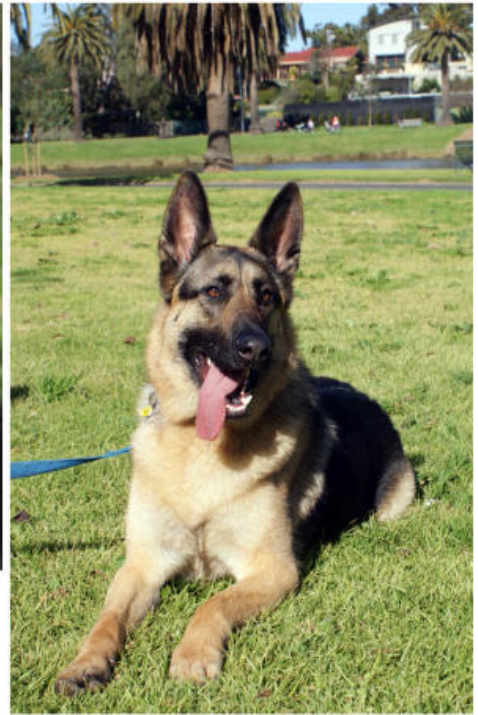
For further information please visit the AMCV website "Dogs for Adoption" page at www.amcv.org.au/rescue.html

The Alaskan Malamute Rehoming Aid Australia group do a fantastic job of finding new and foster homes for Malamutes and Malamute crosses than find themselves without a home, however this service doesn't come cheap and their sole income is from fundraising. Whether you have a rescued dog or not, please come along and support AMRAA at their Fundraiser Walk on Sunday, 28 October.



AMRAA Fundraiser Walk 2012

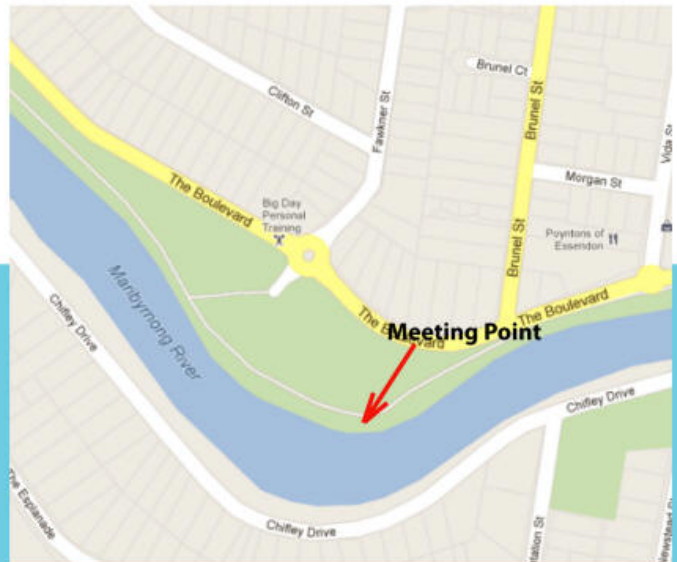
\$10 per dog
Gold coin sausage sizzle
Raffle ticket sales, price drawn on the day.
Cheap pet portraits available by Jasper Pet Photography
All breeds welcome



If you have any questions please contact
Event Coordinator Polla Lawrence
polla1@optusnet.com.au or 0414 667 057

All dog must be kept on lead and supervised at all times.

Date: Sunday 28th October
Time: 12:00pm
Location:
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Cnr The Boulevard and Fawkner st
Melway ref: 28 B6



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