

Last call for those wishing to do the Hills Instructors Course  
Please email Dianne on [Diatkins@bigpond.net.au](mailto:Diatkins@bigpond.net.au)



# HILLS HOWLER

February 2012

[www.hillskennelandtrainingclub.com](http://www.hillskennelandtrainingclub.com)

## 2012 MEETING

### DATES

	JULY 11
FEBRUARY 8	AUGUST 8
MARCH 14	SEPTEMBER 12
APRIL 11	OCTOBER 10
MAY 9	NOVEMBER 14
JUNE 13	DECEMBER 12

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It's that time again! Welcome back to another year of our dog club. I trust that you all had a good break and that your most faithful friend was not overfed, under exercised, or allowed to neglect his training.

We are all looking forward to another successful year, with our great band of Instructors. There is also the opportunity to join our new Instructors course, but you need to act now as it is starting and it will be too late if you delay. To find out more see our Chief Instructor or any Instructor for details.

We started the year with our first Rally O trial on the 28th January. The whole thing was a first for the club and proved very popular, and we look forward to a repeat later in the year. If you want to learn more see Marion Brand.

For those of you who are new to the club, we bid you welcome and look forward to you and your dog having a successful time with us.

Remember you can always get help from our experienced instructors and you can be involved in the club and its varied activities as much or as little as you wish.

Don't forget to renew your membership at the counter, and good luck with your training.

Gordon Fenbow  
President



Notice is given of the **General Meeting** of the Hills District Kennel & Training Club Inc. to be held on **Wednesday 8 February 2012** in the New Meeting Rooms, Castle Hill Showground commencing at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Agenda:

1. Open Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting
4. Business Arising from the minutes
5. Correspondence
6. Business Arising from the Correspondence
7. Treasurer's Report
8. New Members
9. Chief Instructor's Report
10. Show Secretary's Report
11. Trial Secretary's Report
12. Publicity Report
13. General Business

## HILLS DISTRICT KENNEL & TRAINING CLUB INC—2011 Office Bearers & Committee

President: Gordon Fenbow 0430 341 235 email: [gfenbow@bigpond.net.au](mailto:gfenbow@bigpond.net.au)

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Equipment Officer: Marion Brand 8850 5880

Auditor: Mr. M. Dunn

Trophy Stewards (Trial) Janice Lyons 9872 2574  
Kerry Richards 4575 0661  
(Show) Robyn Jones 9894 9237  
Deidre O`Brien 0414 515 233

Education Officer: Dianne Atkins

Registrar: Gordon Fenbow email: [gfenbow@bigpond.net.au](mailto:gfenbow@bigpond.net.au)

Club Trophy Steward: Belvane Parsons email: [freedomfli@bigpond.com](mailto:freedomfli@bigpond.com)

Club Patrons: Dr. S. Abrahams  
Mrs. H. Baldwin  
Mrs. B. Cansdale

LIFE MEMBERS: Mr. Peter Guenther, Mrs. Hazel Baldwin, Mrs. Dianne Atkins, Mrs. Janet Power,  
Mrs. Betty Cansdale, Mrs. Belvane Parsons, Mrs. Anne Small, Mrs. Robyn Jones,  
Mrs. Janice Lyons

Notice is given of the **Annual General Meeting** of the Hills District Kennel & Training Club Inc. to be held on **Wednesday 14 March, 2012** in the New Meeting Rooms, Castle Hill Showground commencing 7.30 pm

**Agenda:**

1. Open Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of March 2011 Annual General Meeting
4. Financial Statement
5. President's Report
6. Secretary's Report
7. Chief Instructor's Report
8. President to declare all positions open
9. Election of Returning Officers and Scrutineers
10. President to vacate Chair, hand meeting over to the Returning Officer
11. Returning Officer reads nominations received and call for nominations for vacant positions
12. Election of Office Bearers
13. Nomination and election of Patrons
14. Nomination and election of Auditor
15. Notices of Motion

Tuesday Xmas break-up



## FREE MEMBERS BOARD

The Club has decided to include in future Newsletters a FREE notice board column each month for club members. This will be a maximum of 3 lines for one (1) month and will be non commercial.

So, if you have anything want to sell or give away please email me your details:  
amillner2002@gmail.com

## Hills Howler Advertising Rates

\$25.00 for half a page per month

\$50.00 for a full page per month

Black & White only in printed newsletter-colour in Hills website

All advertising must be addressed to the Secretary for approval at a General Meeting

The Club reserves the right to refuse any advertisement submitted for consideration

## Notice Board

Leave you dog "on lead" at all times unless your instructor requests otherwise.

Please bring correct money to training for ground fees.

No thongs or bare feet in classes. Closed shoes are preferable and safer.

Please wear your membership card at all times. It makes everyone`s life easier!

All dogs on the training grounds must be vaccinated under Club rules.

Bitches in season are not permitted to attend Class. You may still come and watch, but she may not.

Yes training is on when it rains. Bring a raincoat and wear boots. If it is very wet we will train under the covered ring.

### FOR NOTICE OF CLASS CANCELLATION

IN THE EVENT  
OF

### EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS

(HEAT OR RAIN)

GO TO OUR **WEB HOME PAGE**  
(GOOGLE...HILLS DOGS)

UPDATED  
**MONDAY 4.00PM**  
**TUESDAY 8.45AM**

# Treats

**LAMB, BEEF and LIVER**  
**for Sale at the office, all at**  
**\$5 a bag**

## All correspondence to:

The Secretary,  
Hills District Kennel & Training Club Inc.  
56/159 Ridgescrop Drive,  
Castle Hill NSW 2154

### Election of Judges

To take place at the following meetings

**Show:** May and October

**Trial:** November

# Promotions

## BEGINNERS - GRADUATE

FRASER  
DESIREE HINGLE  
NIGEL SESGER

MIA  
BANJO  
RUBY

GSD  
ENGLISH STAFFIE  
BORDER COLLIE

## GRADUATE - ADVANCED

ELAINE GREYLING

TESS

SHELTIE

**Thank you** to everyone who  
contributed towards the raffle  
  
\$542.00 was collected and donated to  
the RSPCA  
  
There were over 24 prizes  
  
Congratulations to all those winners!!!

Jody's dog Sophie died on Australia Day. She had to be put to sleep as she had suffered a stroke.



Peter Guenther's dog, Prophet, died last week. Peter's boy was a real sweetie and I for one will miss him as will many others.

Marion's big black dog Diesel became ill during the break and is no longer with us. Diesel was a big part of our club and will be missed by us all.

Dianne

# Vale

### 1. Do dogs see in colour?

Answer: Dogs do see in colour, but their perception of colour is not the same as it is for people. They cannot distinguish between red, orange, yellow or green. They can see various shades of blue and can differentiate between closely related shades of gray that are not distinguishable to people.

### 2. How do dogs see compared to us?

Answer: When comparing dog and human vision, people are better at depth perception, colour perception and seeing small details of an object. Dogs are better at seeing in dim light, responding to an image rapidly, and detecting the slightest motion. They also have better peripheral vision.

If you would like Club updates via email the Club sends out an update notice each Sunday Night. To be placed on the list to receive these please email Dianne on [Diatkins@bigpond.net.au](mailto:Diatkins@bigpond.net.au) with subject heading "newsletter".

**OBEDIENCE ACHIEVEMENT and PERPETUAL TROPHY AWARDS 2011**



Above recipients are Joanne Channell, Nicola Boyd, Kathy Cocks & Karen Richards

**CCD TROPHY & GOLD MEDAL WINNERS**  
(Community Companion Dog)

'ABBEY' MEM. TROPHY WINNER 2011  
Lorraine Lawson and Ztoy Destined T Maka Diference CCD

Judith H. Walder and Buffalo Diamond Shelley CCD

Karen Richardson and Poodlederry Mega Pixel CD DWDF.S HTM.S

**CD TROPHY & GOLD MEDAL WINNERS**  
(Companion Dog)

HAZEL BALDWIN TROPHY WINNER 2011  
Karen Richardson and Poodlederry Mega Pixel CD DWDF.S HTM.S

Nicola Boyd and Neut.CH. Sandstock Little Jake CD A.F.CH ET

Kathy Cocks and Bella CD ET

Kellie Neville and Ebonjul Britany CD

Joanne Channell and Budwiser Harry Potter CD ADX JDX GDX SD

**CD BRONZE MEDAL WINNER**

Rita Thompson and Geruna Ruby Lady CD

**CDX TROPHY & GOLD MEDAL WINNERS**  
(Companion Dog Excellent)

HILDA SMYTHE TROPHY WINNER 2011  
Sandy O'Neill Inneslake Thunderstruck UD

Karen Richardson and O.CH. Poodlederry Paris ADX JDX DWDF.I HTM.N

Karen Richardson and Silkysootes Jessie James CDX DWDF.S HTM.I

**UD TROPHY & GOLD MEDAL WINNER**  
(Utility Dog)

BARRY LANGDON TROPHY WINNER 2011  
Sandy O'Neill and O.GR.CH. Bob UDX

**UDX TROPHY & GOLD MEDAL WINNER**  
(Utility Dog Excellent)

H.D.K.&T.C.Inc. TROPHY WINNER 2011  
Sandy O'Neill and O.GR.CH. Bob UDX

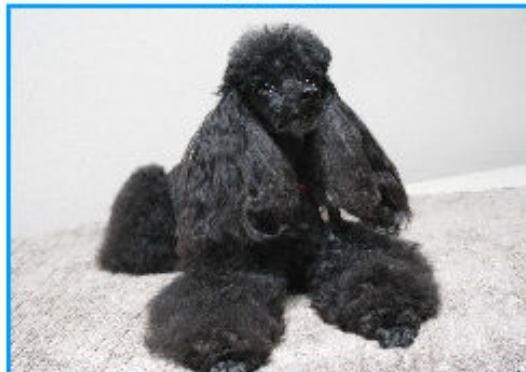
**HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CANINE COMPETITION TROPHY**

DIANNE ATKINS TROPHY WINNER 2011  
Nicola Boyd and Neut.CH. Sandstock Littel Jake CD A.F.CH ET

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A special presentation was made to  
'PARIS'  
(Owned and trained by Karen Richardson)

In recognition of eleven consecutive years of HIGH ACHIEVEMENT  
in the *H.D.K & T.C.Inc. Obedience Achievements & Perpetual Trophy Awards.*  
2001-2011



**O.CH POODLEDERRY PARIS ADX JDX DWDF.I HTM.N**

Our 14-year-old dog Abbey died last month.



The day after she passed away my 4-year-old daughter Meredith was crying and talking about how much she missed Abbey. She asked if we could write a letter to God so that when Abbey got to heaven, God would recognize her. I told her that I thought we could so, and she dictated these words:

Dear God,  
Will you please take care of my dog?  
She died yesterday and is with you in heaven.  
I miss her very much.  
I 'm happy that you let me have her as my dog even though she got sick.  
I hope you will play with her.  
She likes to swim and play with balls.  
I am sending a picture of her so when you see her you will know that she is my dog.  
I really miss her.  
Love, Meredith

We put the letter in an envelope with a picture of Abbey & Meredith , addressed it to God/Heaven.  
We put our return address on it.  
Meredith pasted several stamps on the front of the envelope because she said it would take lots of stamps to get the letter all the way to heaven.  
That afternoon she dropped it into the letter box at the post office.  
A few days later, she asked if God had gotten the letter yet.  
I told her that I thought He had.

Yesterday, there was a package wrapped in gold paper on our front porch addressed, 'To Meredith' in an unfamiliar hand.  
Meredith opened it.  
Inside was a book by Mr. Rogers called, 'When a Pet Dies.'  
Taped to the inside front cover was the letter we had written to God in its opened envelope.  
On the opposite page was the picture of Abbey & Meredith and this note:

Dear Meredith,  
Abbey arrived safely in heaven. Having the picture was a big help and I recognized her right away.  
Abbey isn't sick anymore. Her spirit is here with me just like it stays in your heart. Abbey loved being your dog.  
Since we don't need our bodies in heaven, I don't have any pockets to keep your picture in so I'm sending it back to you in this little book for you to keep and have something to remember Abbey by.  
Thank-you for the beautiful letter and thank your mother for helping you write it and sending it to me. What a wonderful mother you have. I picked her especially for you.  
I send my blessings every day and remember that I love you very much.  
By the way, I'm easy to find. I am wherever there is love.  
Love,  
God



# Hills District Kennel & Training Club Inc.

Renewal Application – due by the third Tuesday in March

## PERSONAL DETAILS

I/We (Last name).....  
 First name .....,  
 Address .....,  
 Suburb ..... Postcode .....,  
 Phone.....mobile.....email.....

## DOGS DETAILS

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

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

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

Full Membership	Adult	\$11	<input type="radio"/>	Dual	\$17	<input type="radio"/>
Associate Membership	Adult	\$11	<input type="radio"/>	Dual	\$17	<input type="radio"/>
Full Membership	Family	\$27	<input type="radio"/>			
Associate Membership	Family	\$27	<input type="radio"/>	Junior	\$6	<input type="radio"/>

**\* NB one adult + one child = dual membership**

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

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

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

## OFFICE USE

Membership Fee	\$	Vac. Cert. Sighted	_____
Sales	\$		
Ground Fees	\$	Receipt number	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>@office Staff Signature</b>	

**Nomination of Committee & Office Bearers for 2012**

I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_

For the position of \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be returned to The Secretary no later than 21 days before the AGM**

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