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# Gundog News



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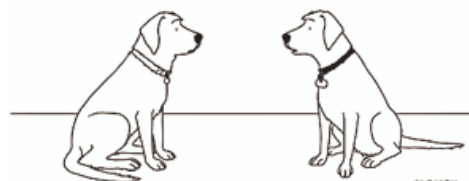
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*"I had my own blog for a while, but I decided to go back to just pointless, incessant barking."*

## CLUB WEB SITE

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**MAGAZINE:** please send all contributions to the Editor

Feb/Mar	magazine	copy deadline	Jan 21 <sup>st</sup>
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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2011!

As always the New Year brings thoughts and anticipation for the 12 months ahead.

Time will tell what the rains have done to either enhance or diminish our sporting chances. Having said that, it is nice to see the rivers running again and the lakes full after 15+ years of drought.

We have a full schedule of Trials and Shows lined up for the year, details and dates are available on the VGC website. This year we will run 4 trials in the Spaniel & Retriever discipline. This is a first for several years and hopefully the abundance of rabbits that we now see will hold. Now that the rabbits are back if anyone reading this would like more information on Field Trials then please give me a call.

A couple of years ago the VGC ran a very successful Working Test for Spaniels & Retrievers. I am considering doing something along the same lines again this year and would appreciate some feedback from anyone who is interested.

Please feel free to contact me via email at [glastonpark@hotmail.com](mailto:glastonpark@hotmail.com)

I wish you well for the year no matter where your heart lies in the gundog world. Hopefully I will get the chance to catch up with as many as possible around the different events.

Steve Sapsead

## OUR COVER

Our cover dog black and white Cocker Spaniel is 'Tate' Kingsway Turn Me Free who is owned by breeder Marcia Kingston and Debbie Clarkson. This wonderful photo was taken by Ffiona Erskine, Ffire Photography, based in Sydney.

Tate was born 12<sup>th</sup> November 2009. His sire is Aust Ch/Am Ch Blueprint Winfree Party Waggin and dam is Aust Ch Tarrendayle Turn The Page.

At just over 12 months of age he is a specialty and multiple all breeds Class In Show winner and a happy boy that enjoys life!

## ADVERTISING RATES

\$30	front cover – offered to VGC members only (color)
\$20	inside front cover – offered to all (color) **
\$15	full page b & w – members
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Front cover will operate on 'first in' basis and will allow for a ¼ page 'front cover' note within the magazine. Please contact the editor (Lee Petering) for advertising enquiries.

*\*\* note that precedence for inside front cover is given to VGC show and trial winners and is not available every month \*\**

## Editor's Scribble

Happy New Year to you all – already the year is marching on quickly.

Our weather is on constant watch and in all our conversations with the terrible flooding that has hit Queensland and Victoria. Dogs Queensland ([www.cccq.org.au](http://www.cccq.org.au)) are holding a Virtual Dog Show. This is a great way to support fellow dog owners. *You don't have to have a Show Dog to enter this!* There is a class for 'Mixed Marriage' dogs ..... who have unknown parents and also a 'Rainbow Bridge' class to include those we've said goodbye to. This show is also open to overseas people and will raise a lot of money for Qld doggy people. Entries close 25<sup>th</sup> February – so go to the Dogs Qld site and get your entries in now!

David and I were lucky to escape to New Zealand's south island for a week early in January. We have a big year ahead with David's work so a holiday early in the year was a must! We had a couple of nights in Christchurch, two at Lake Tekapo and three at Akaroa. We had such a wonderful time in this magical part of the world.

Lake Tekapo is a must to visit if you get the chance – it is an Alpine Village in the heart of the South Island high country. The enormous Lake was sculpted by successive ice-age glaciers. Glacial discharge creates milky blue looking water which changes color throughout the day. Next to the Lake is Mount John which is renowned as one of the best places to observe the Southern Night Sky.

We spent one night dining on fish and chips lakeside with hundreds of wild rabbits around us – I couldn't help think of all our field trial members! The little Jack Russell pictured below was quite content watching over this burrow.

This area also has quite a number of Game Hunting tourist guides so I thought I would list some in case you're interesting in planning your next holiday there.

Barry Clark – Fishing & Small Game Guiding

[www.fredadufaur.co.nz](http://www.fredadufaur.co.nz)

Deer & Wallaby Hunting

+64 27 4344 445

Hunting @ 44 South (Walter Speck)

[www.44south.com](http://www.44south.com)

Mt Cook Trophy Hunting

[www.mtcooktrophyhunting.co.nz](http://www.mtcooktrophyhunting.co.nz)



*Lee*

## GONE TO THE DOGS

Hokitika-based company Aquapole has launched a dog shower to clean canines outside instead of allowing them to bring the great outdoors inside and onto your carpet. Aquapole also has wall-mount and glass-mount designs.

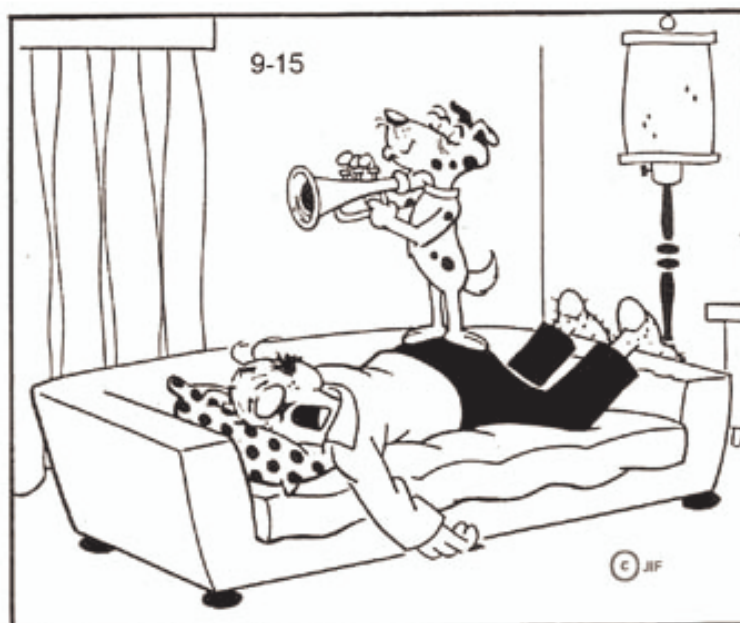
A key feature of Aquapole is that the stainless-steel shower slide, hand piece, mixer and plumbing are all integrated into a single unit. This means in-wall plumbing is not required.

The simplicity is aesthetically pleasing and useful, the company says. "the Aquapole stainless-steel shower system frees the design of wet-area shower spaces and creates stylish, minimalist, easy-to-clean, open space."

Christchurch – At Home

[aquapole.co.nz](http://aquapole.co.nz)

## DOG LAUGHS



"All right, all right - It's three seconds past your dinner time. I'll feed you ! I'll feed you !"

## What Type of Dog Trainer Are You?

*by David DiBenedetto*

What type of dog trainer am I? That's easy. A lousy one.

But beyond me, it seems that dog trainers fall into roughly four camps: the Disciplinarian, the Whisperer, the High School Coach, and the Softie. (Please note: this informal survey was far from scientific and might be more riddled with holes than wool sweater at a caterpillar farm.)

**The Disciplinarian:** More often than not the Disciplinarian worships at the altar of the late James Lamb Free, author of the classic (though a touch outdated) *Training Your Retriever*. The Disciplinarian believes a gun dog belongs in an outdoor kennel, and should come out only to train or hunt. My oldest brother falls into this camp, and he trains nice gun dogs.

**The Whisperer:** The finest Whisperer I've ever seen train is the great Ray Cacchio. The Whisperer has a second sense about dogs. He knows what they're thinking, and he often "whispers" them through a problem before it happens. There's hardly any voice-raising—just a constant connection (often through eyes and hands) that keeps the dog in control. Sure, the Whisperer occasionally has to resort to some discipline, but he keeps it in reserve.

**The High School Coach:** The best amateur trainers often fit into the Coach category. They walk the middle ground between Disciplinarian and Whisperer, often exerting a level of authority that lets the dog know who is boss while also enjoying nights with the pup at the feet of their easy chair. They truly are a team bound by a bond built of time spent together, good and bad.

**The Softie:** The Softie likes to think he can get away with whispering, but it doesn't work because he lacks the necessary talent. More often than not, the dog just walks all over the Softie...in the house, in the blind, and around town. If you've seen a Softie once you'll never forget it.



## DOGS VICTORIA RETRIEVING TRIAL DATES 2011

January 22	GSP CLUB
January 23	GSP CLUB
February 12	C.H.W.G.C
February 13	C.H.W.G.C
February 26	GRCV
February 27	G.S.P.
March 26	? RAFT Training Day
April 2	Labrador Retriever Club
April 3	Labrador Retriever Club
May 21	Victorian Gundog Club
May 22	Victorian Gundog Club
June 18	Labrador Retriever Club
June 19	Labrador Retriever Club
July 1	Flatcoated Retriever Club
July 2	Flatcoated Retriever Club
August 20	Labrador Retriever Club
August 21	Labrador Retriever Club
September 3	NSW State Ch/Ship
September 4	NSW State C/Ship
September 9 – 11	National Retrieving Trial NSW
September 17	Dogs Victoria State Ch/Ship
September 18	Dogs Victoria State Ch/Ship
September 24	Golden Retriever Club
September 25	Victorian Gundog Club
October 15	Irish Water Spaniel Club
October 16	Irish Water Spaniel Club
November 5	GSP Club
November 6	Club L'Epagneul Breton

### WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE IN OUR CLUB NEWSLETTER ??????????

Do you have some suggestions for the newsletter?

I welcome your thoughts and of course, your contributions – articles and photos.

Please email me for future newsletters     [marland\\_weis@yahoo.com.au](mailto:marland_weis@yahoo.com.au)

Lee Petering - editor

## DOG VICTORIA FIELD TRIAL DATES 2011

April 30	GSP Club UG Non Qualifying
May 1	GSP Club UG Novice
May 14	CHWGC UG Novice Gordon Setter P & S Novice
May 15	CHWGC UG Open Gordon Setter P & S Open
May 21	Club L'Epagneuel Breton UG Novice
May 22	Club L'Epagneuel Breton UG Open
May 28	VGC UG Novice
May 29	VGC UG Open
June 4	VGC P & S Novice
June 5	VGC P & S Open
June 11	Irish Setter Club P & S Novice GSP UG Open
June 12	GSP UG All Age/Open
June 13	Irish Setter Club P & S Open
June 18	Dogs Victoria P & S C/Ship Dogs Victoria UG C/ship
June 19	Dogs Victoria UG C/Ship VGC P & S Open
June 25	National UG C/Ship
June 26	National UG C/Ship
July 6	GSP UG Exotic Open
July 7	GSP UG Exotic Open
July 16	VGC P& S Novice
July 17	VGC P & S Open
August 27	VGC S & R Novice
August 28	VGC S & R Open
September 3	Dogs Victoria S & R C/Ship
September 4	Dogs Victoria S & R C/Ship





**Entries close: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

**WEIMARANER CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.  
RESTRICTED TO GUNDOG ~ DOUBLE OBEDIENCE TRIAL**

To be held at  
KCC Park, Westernport Highway Skye

**SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2011**

**Entries to the Trial Secretary:**

Annie Haverkamp, 10 Mahon Crescent, Narren Warren 3805

Ph: 0433 683 254 (No calls after 9.00 pm please)

Cheques made payable to 'Weimaraner Club of Victoria Inc.'

*(Please note: This trial is restricted to gundogs on the Main or Limited Register)*

**JUDGES: Trial A**

OPEN - Mr. G. Eades  
CCD/UDX - Mr. G. Parsons  
NOVICE - Mrs. H. Diamond  
UD - Mr. B. Wilkinson

**JUDGES: Trial B**

NOVICE - Mr. G. Eades  
UD: - Mr. G. Parsons  
OPEN - Mrs. H. Diamond  
UDX/CCD - Mr. B. Wilkinson

**Conditions of Entry:** Separate form for each entry. Please mark entry clearly with either AM or PM trial. Open and Utility must show HAS. The committee reserves the right to substitute judges if the entry is excessive. To be eligible for club sashes, entry form must be marked with the name of your club.

**Entry Fee:** \$11-00 each trial (includes catalogue)

**Please note: No canteen facilities available on the day – Tea & Coffee provided**

**Check In Time :**

**Trial A:** 8.00 – 8.30 am

**Trial B:** 12 noon

**Judging Time:** 9.00 am

**Judging Time:** Not before 12.00 pm

**Awards:** Rosette and trophy for Class winners, rosette for second and third placings. Qualifying Score and Title Ribbons. Highest Scoring Weimaraner in Trial & Highest Score in Trial. Please see catalogue for full awards list.

**Please contact the Trial Secretary if your Club wishes to donate a  
Highest Scoring Sash.**

Entries Close **FIRST POST** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2011  
**LATE ENTRIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED**

**Victorian Gundog Club Inc**

Incorporated Number A0008593Z  
 (Affiliated with the Victorian Canine Association Inc)

**NOVICE FIELD TRIAL FOR UTILITY GUNDOGS**

(To be held under the rules and regulations of the ANKC & Victorian Canine Association Inc)

**SATURDAY 28th MAY 2011**

**Judge:** Mr. John McCrory

**Trial Manager:** Neil McLeod 0439 617 228  
 Mal Park 0417 512 395

**Entry Fees:** **Members of VGC \$17 Non Members \$20**  
 [This includes the VCA levy, VCA surcharge and GST PLUS a Property contribution of \$5]

**Entries:** Accompanied by fees to be sent BEFORE the closing date (20<sup>th</sup> May) to  
 Rachel Greaves  
 114 Shuter Ave  
 GREENDALE 3341 tel: (03) 5368 7211  
 <wrangham@harboursat.com.au>

**NB Shooters Licence & Game Licence numbers on entry form please (see 3 & 4 below)**

**Location:** Phone Trial Manager during the week prior to the trial

**Trophies:** Winner Trophy and Sash  
 Runner Up Trophy and Sash

**Qualifications:** a NOVICE STAKE is a open to all registered dogs of named breed or breeds, who have not won any other Stake, other than one Novice, or been placed second in a Championship Stake.

**Conditions of Entry:**  
 1. TRIAL SITES ARE PRIVATE PROPERTY AND MUST NOT BE REVISITED AT ANY TIME AFTER THE TRIAL.

2. Residents of Victoria must be financial members of the VCA to exhibit, handle, judge or officiate.

3. Handlers must be in possession of a valid Victorian Game Licence to shoot game in Victoria.

4. Current Shooters Licence & Game Licence must be produced at 'vetting' to be eligible to compete.

5. Shooting of game on the trial site during any part of the day on which the trial is held is not permitted except with the approval of the judge.

6. Bitches in oestrus are not permitted on the trial site

**ENTRIES CLOSE: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2011**

**RETRIEVING TRIAL FOR GUNDOGS SCHEDULE**

To be held under the Rules and Regulation of the Victorian Canine Association Inc.  
 A copy may be inspected at the office of the Secretary of the fixture on the day of the trial.

**VICTORIAN GUNDOG CLUB INC.**

(Affiliated with the Victorian Canine Association Inc.)

**DATE:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2011 & Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011

**TRIAL MANAGER:** Gareth Tawton 54354127 & Steve Hall 97332275

**LOCATION:** RING MANAGERS WEEK PRIOR TO TRIAL

**JUDGES:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May

**Novice:** Mrs. M. Sargison (NSW)  
**Restricted:** Mr. R. Courtman (WA)  
**All Age:** Mr. T. Stevens (Vic)

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**  
**Novice:** Mr. A. Rowland (NSW)  
**Restricted:** Mr. P. Doley (Vic)  
**All Age:** Mr. R. Courtman (WA)

**VCA SURCHARGE:** Levy \$1.60 per entry. (Included in Entry Fee)  
**EQUIPMENT FEES:** Novice \$8.50; Restricted \$8.50; All Age \$10.50. (Included in Entry Fee)

<b>ENTRY FEES:</b>	Stake	Members	Non Members
		\$15.50	\$18.50
		\$18.50	\$21.50
		\$20.50	\$23.50

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2011. with the Trial Secretary,  
 Mrs. M. Hall  
 6 Chisholm Court North Croydon 3136. Ph: 03 97332275

**PLEASE NOTE: NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

**VETTING TIME:** 07.30 a.m. - 07.45 a.m. **START TIME:** 08.00 a.m.

**TROPHY LIST:** Sash & Trophy will be presented to all placetakers to third place.  
**Bambillay Cup and Fort Wrangham Trophy:** both these aggregate trophies will be presented at this trial for the highest scoring All Age Dog and highest scoring Novice Dog over the two days.

**DRAW:** At Trial Secretary's residence, 8.00 p.m., Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

A "NOVICE STAKE" is a stake confined to Gundogs that have not won any stake other than one (1) Novice Stake, Puppy Stake and Beginners' Tests excluded.

A "RESTRICTED STAKE" is a stake confined to Gundogs that have not won three (3) Restricted Stakes or an All Age Stake or been placed first or second in a Championship Stake.

An "ALL AGE STAKE" is a stake confined to Gundogs that have won a Novice or have been placed first, second or third in a Restricted Stake.

**SHOOTERS LICENCE:** At all Retrieving & Field Trials conducted in Victoria, a competitor **MUST** produce a current shooters licence at vetting, or they **WILL NOT** be permitted to compete at the trial.

**TRIAL VENUES:** Properties used for Trials are private properties and **MUST NOT** be revisited after the trial.

Entry for the Trial is subject to this condition.

**CATERING:** There will be catering, of lunch only available at this trial, please support the club in fundraising efforts.

**Entries Close FIRST POST on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2011  
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**Victorian Gundog Club Inc**

Incorporated Number A0008593Z (Affiliated with the Victorian Canine Association Inc)

**OPEN FIELD TRIAL FOR UTILITY GUNDOGS**

(To be held under the rules and regulations of the ANKC & Victorian Canine Association Inc)

**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MAY 2011**

**Judge:** Mr David Blacker

**Trial Manager:** Neil McLeod 0439 617 228  
Mal Park 0417 512 395

**Entry Fees:** **Members of VGC \$17** **Non Members \$20**  
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**THE HUNGARIAN VIZSLA CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**

9<sup>th</sup> Endurance Test

KCC Park, Westernport Hwy, Skye 3977

**SATURDAY MAY 28<sup>th</sup> 2011**

Enquires to JENNI STRACHAN – 03 9752 7266

Application for MEMBERSHIP or RENEWAL 2010/2011

*Memberships run from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011.*

Please select the membership you desire.

- |                            |          |                          |
|----------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| SINGLE                     | \$ 17.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| DUAL / FAMILY              | \$ 20.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PUPPY ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP |          | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Breeder of your puppy: .....  
(New puppy owners nominated by their breeder will get a VGC newsletter free for one year – other membership rights do not apply.)

Please fill in the following information.

Name:	
Address:	
Suburb:	State/Postcode
Hm phone:	Mobile:
Are you a member of Dogs Victoria? <span style="float: right;">yes / no</span>	
If YES, please provide your Dogs Victoria number?	
Breed owned:	Kennel prefix:
What are your gundog interests? Please list (pet, obedience, agility, retrieving, field, showing etc.)	

Email address:
I prefer to receive my newsletter by <span style="float: right;">email / post</span>

I / We desire to become a member of the Victorian Gundog Club Inc., and in the event of my / our admission as a member, agree to be bound by the Rules of the Club.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send the completed form together with your membership fee to:  
Victorian Gundog Club Inc., c/o L. Petering, 10 Roger Court, Nunawading, VIC 3131

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