

The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc.

(Incorporated A0026517R)



Bully News
March 2013



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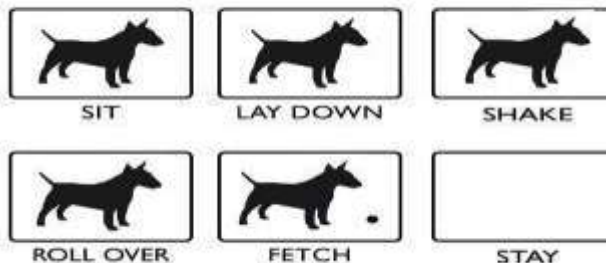
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BULL TERRIER TRICKS

Dave Buck



President's Report

The year is flying along, seems quicker each year to me !
Well done to the winners at the two members comps held in February,
very hot day which kept the numbers down.

Congratulations to all the winners in South Australian and New South Wales.
Special mention to our interstate members, Merryl, Bernadette and John winning BIS
and Reserve Challenge Bitch. And Tamara Yeoh winning Reserve Challenge Dog at
both shows in SA.

In NSW a special mention to Bernadette and Hugh Marshall winning BIS at both shows
also Vin & Shirley Healand and Tony Wiseman winning Bitch Challenge Saturday and
Sunday respectively.

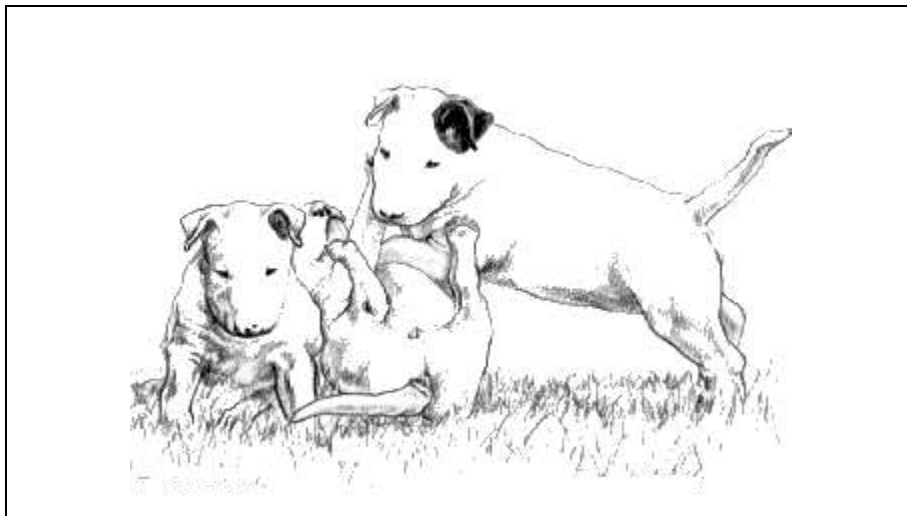
It's great to not see (or hear reports) of social media tarnishing the winners and Judges
reputations in NSW as happened in South Aust.

Our Clubs' Champ and Specialty Show weekend is coming quickly,
hopefully all the entries have been sent, if not contact the show secretary quickly.
Catalogue is currently being compiled!!

Good luck to all exhibitors at our Shows.

Then in June off to the Trophy Show in Queensland . . .

Norm Jessup



Secretary's Report

Hello again members.

The Club has had some committee changes recently, and I would firstly like to thank Jamie Johnson and Sherri Wakefield for their hard work over the past couple of years working on the clubs committee. Sherri & Jamie have decided to spend more time working with the Central Coast Bull Terrier Rescue, and we all wish them the very best.

Secondly, I would like to welcome Heather Boyce onto the committee; Heather was nominated and voted in at the recent Committee meeting. Heather will take the one year position until the next Annual General Meeting.

Also discussed at the committee meeting was the idea of a reunion of former members. With the club hosting the Trophy Show in 2015 and thus being our 40th year, it's been decided this will be a great time to celebrate our club's history with a special dinner. We will keep members updated.

You'll also find our schedule in the newsletter for our clubs Specialty/Champ shows to be held on Sunday April 28th. Entries close on Good Friday, but with the Easter break we understand that there may be a few late entries. Make sure you don't forget to enter and pay for your lunch. During our lunch we will be holding the club's auction. We will also have a silent auction during the Championship Show.

We have plenty on in the next month or so, a Bully Walk at Pipemakers Park on April 13th at 11:30am, our Champ Show on April 28th at KCC Park and then the Dog Lovers Expo at the Exhibition Buildings in Carlton over 3 days from May the 3rd. There's an event for everyone's likes.

So see you at a future event.





Did those members who turned up to our Fun Day at Bulla on February 23rd like the prizes? These were donated by Sandi Johnson from Ring Bling. It's a great way to make your show number stand out. Contact Sandi on 0423 347 917 to place your order, these are a one off special design; get your favourite or lucky colours on your individual arm band now. Sandi will have these for sale at our Champ Show in April.

JUDGES for 2014 and 2015

Calling for nominations for judges for the 2014 and 2015 Shows.

Nominations to the Secretary.

For your information to date already nominated are:

Carl Pew (Silmaril) USA & Duff Harris (Allegro) USA for 2014 Champ/Specialty Shows.

Russell Lamonby (Emred) UK & Dale Schuur (Old Forge) USA for the 2015 Trophy Show weekend.

Prior to nominating judges please confirm availability for the year nominated and have a resume (making sure they qualify to award ROM points) and also what remuneration (\$\$\$) is required

THE BULL TERRIER CLUB OF VICTORIA (INC.)

(Affiliated with the Victorian Canine Association - 3007007560)

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Specialty Show

to be held at

KCC Park

Westernport Highway, Skye (Melways 128 J12)

Sunday, 28th April, 2013

Commencing 9.00 a.m.

Judge: Mr Josef Schneider (Xanadu) Austria

ENTRY FEES: Members: \$17.00; Non-Members: \$20.00 per class; Baby Puppy Class \$10.00

(includes Dogs Victoria levy of \$3.50 per dog)

ENTRIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT FEES.

CATALOGUE: \$5.00. Please order and pay with entry.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES: **DOGS:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 18 **BITCHES:** 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 10a, 11a, 18A

Please Note: Challenge Certificates not awarded at this Show.

ENTRIES CLOSE: Friday, 29th March, 2013

CATERING: Available

SPECIAL PRIZES: Trophy and Sash for all In Show awards

Entries, accompanied by the fees, to be sent to the
BTCV Show Secretary, PO Box 1347, Pearcedale Vic 3912

Enquiries: Janice Jessup 0416 274 251 (Please - No calls after 8.30pm)

or email: sarajeni@bigpond.com

Cheques made payable to The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc.

A stamped addressed envelope must be enclosed for return of exhibit numbers
otherwise exhibit numbers are to be collected from the Show Secretary at the fixture.

— R.O.M. POINTS AVAILABLE —

to be followed by Lunch & Auction then Champ Show

Lunch - Adults \$20 & Children \$10 per head to be paid with entries

Enquiries: Norm Jessup 0416 274 251 (Please - No calls after 8.30pm)

THE BULL TERRIER CLUB OF VICTORIA (INC.)

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Championship Show



to be held at

KCC Park



Westernport Highway, Skye (Melways 128 J12)

Sunday, 28th April, 2013

Commencing at conclusion of Luncheon and Auction - Not before 1.30pm

Judge: Mr Bill Leslie (Billmaris) Ireland

ENTRY FEES: Members: \$17.00; Non-Members: \$20.00 per class; Baby Puppy Class \$10.00

(includes Dogs Victoria levy of \$3.50 per dog)

ENTRIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT FEES.

CATALOGUE: \$5.00. Please order and pay with entry.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES: **DOGS:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 18 **BITCHES:** 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 10a, 11a, 18A

SPECIAL CLASSES: **Gold Coin Donation - Enter on the Day**
12a Veterans (7-10 years); 12b Veterans (10 years and over)
20. Best De - Sexed 23. Best Head, 24. Best Coloured,
(20, 23 & 24 must be entered in normal classes)
25. Best Movement (only by Judges Nomination)

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BTCV Championship and Specialty Show Sash Donations for April 2013
Shows! \$10.00 each. Please email the Secretary with requests ASAP
Recognition of sponsorship will be published in the catalogue

	Champ Show Best	Champ Show Opp (RU)	Spec Show Best	Spec Show Opp (RU)
Best Bitch				
Best Dog				
Best In Show				
Baby				
Minor				
Puppy				
Junior	Bulavard	Bulavard	Bulavard	Bulavard
Intermediate				
Open				
Aust Bred				
Neutered				
Head		N/A		N/A
Colour		N/A		N/A
Movement		N/A		N/A
Veterans		N/A		N/A

BTCV Championship and Specialty Show Trophy Donations for April 2013
Shows! \$20.00 each. Please email the Secretary with requests ASAP

	Champ Show Best	Champ Show Opp (RU)	Spec Show Best	Spec Show Opp (RU)
Best In Show	Sarajeni	N/A	Sarajeni	N/A
R/U in Show	Sarajeni	N/A	Sarajeni	N/A
Best Dog		N/A		N/A
Best Bitch		N/A		N/A
Baby Puppy		N/A		N/A
Minor Puppy		N/A		N/A
Puppy		N/A		N/A
Junior		N/A		N/A
Intermediate		N/A		N/A
Open		N/A		N/A
Aust Bred		N/A		N/A
Neutered		N/A		N/A

Practical Genetics for Bull Terrier Breeders and Owners

Health Seminar presented to the Bull Terrier Club of America, October 10, 2002

Jerold S Bell, DVM, Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine

To develop a healthy breeding program, you must choose your breeding stock, and their mates carefully. As stated above, the primary goal of dog breeding is to maintain and enhance the quality of the breed. You are not breeding a hip, a thyroid, or an immune system; you are breeding Bull Terriers. Conformation, temperament, working ability, and health must all be balanced in your selection. (See the article, "Choosing Wisely" in the April 2000 AKC Gazette for a more in-depth discussion.)

The breeding goal of managing genetic disorders involves firstly, the prevention of affected dogs. Then, the goal is to decrease the (carrier) frequency of deleterious genes in the breeding pool. According to the AKC Canine Health Foundation, the most frequently occurring genetic disorders across all breeds are; epilepsy, hip dysplasia, hypothyroidism, cancer, bloat, heart disease, autoimmune disease, allergies, progressive retinal atrophy (PRA), patella luxation (slipping kneecaps), allergic (atopic) dermatitis, cataracts, and other eye diseases.

According to an online survey of Bull Terrier breeders, the number one health concern is kidney problems, followed by behaviour problems, allergies/skin disease, heart problems, deafness, and orthopedic disease. The 1997 Bull Terrier Club of America Health Survey, conducted by Dr. Margaret Slater of Texas A & M University, asked breeders the disorders of particular concern to them. Number one was skin allergies (20.69%), followed by behaviour problems (8.11%), deafness (7.71%), kidney disease (6.9%), cancers (3.65%), heart disease (3.02%), and skeletal disease (1.83%). These health concern lists parallel the list of disorders (based on frequency of diagnosis) from the health survey. This list includes half of the top ten disorders reported among all breeds. It also contains several disorders that are specific to Bull Terriers.

Skin allergies are a high frequency disorder across all pure-bred and mixed-breed dogs. If a dog has significant allergies, the hereditary component of this disorder should be considered. Such disorders should be considered a negative factor in selecting breeding stock. This is especially so if multiple siblings (litter mates) have similar allergies.

Two categories of behavioural problems in Bull Terriers are aggression, and compulsive disorders. Owner perception of aggressive personality may be over estimated, if breeders are not diligent in screening prospective puppy buyers. If an owner is looking for a "Spuds MacKenzie" dog, but is not suited to a Bull Terrier personality, they may believe that their dog is aggressive. Bull Terriers are not Golden Retrievers, nor do we want them to behave like one. Many dog owners are not good candidates to own a Bull Terrier. On the other hand, there are Bull Terriers with poor temperaments; characterized by severe aggression towards people, towards other dogs, extreme shyness, or volatile "lashing out" behaviour. These extreme behaviours have genetic components, and should be selected against.

Compulsive behaviours, including spinning, tail biting, and flank sucking have been studied by Dr. Alice Moon-Fanelli at Tufts University. All of these behavioural disorders are related. Affected dogs can show several of these behaviours, and you can see multiple litter mates affected with different behaviours. Based on electroencephalogram (EEG) examinations, and the response of affected dogs to different medications, there is some controversy as to whether these are true compulsive disorders, or petit-mal seizure disorders. Regardless, there is a strong genetic component to these behaviours, and this must be taken into account when considering breeding affected dogs or their close relatives.

Deafness is a genetic disorder seen with some regularity in the Bull Terrier. Deafness is associated with the extreme piebald pigmentation gene, and is most common in white Bull Terriers. Researchers have found that a lack of pigment (melanin) cells reaching the inner ear in the developing embryo leads to collapse and death of the nerve cells required for hearing. While the quantity of embryonic pigment cells is genetically controlled, the migration of these cells to the developing inner ear occurs by chance. If there are fewer pigment cells, there is a greater chance that some may not reach one or both ears, thereby causing deafness. This explains why deafness does not have a simple inheritance. A problem with controlling deafness is that for every bilaterally deaf dog, there are far more dogs who are deaf in only one ear. It is almost impossible to distinguish these

unilaterally deaf dogs from bilaterally hearing dogs without electrodiagnostic testing (BAER test). It has been shown that unilaterally deaf dogs produce as much deafness as bilaterally deaf dogs, and must be identified and selected against for breeding. Dogs can be certified normal by BAER test at 6 weeks of age, before placement in breeding or pet homes.

Hip dysplasia does not appear to be a significant problem in the breed. Only 91 Bull Terriers have had hip radiographs submitted to the OFA for evaluation. 12.1% were rated as excellent, 62.6% were rated good, 16.5% were rated fair, and 8.8% were rated mildly dysplastic. There were no Bull Terriers rated moderately, or severely dysplastic. In the other OFA databases for Bull Terriers, there were 50 dogs evaluated for patella disease (all normal), 2 for elbow dysplasia (one normal, one dysplastic), and 48 submissions for cardiac disease (98% normal, 2% abnormal). Reported heart problems in the Bull Terrier include sub-aortic stenosis, congenital mitral valve dysplasia, and dilated cardiomyopathy. To get a clearer picture of these disorders in the breed, there must be a concerted effort for more screening by Bull Terrier owners.

Hereditary hypothyroidism is an immune-mediated disease, with autoantibodies being produced that are destructive to the thyroid gland. Measurable auto-antibodies are only present during the period of thyroid destruction (usually sometime between 2-6 years of age). Annual testing for thyroglobulin auto-antibodies should be done between these years. After the thyroid gland is destroyed, and the dog has low measurable thyroid hormone levels, there is usually no more measurable auto-antibodies present. This is often misdiagnosed as idiopathic hypothyroidism, but in most instances is the end stage of hereditary auto-immune thyroiditis. This is why it is important to screen your dogs for measurable thyroid auto-antibodies during the critical period to be able to properly diagnose the disorder, and utilize this tool in genetic disease control. The mode of inheritance of hereditary hypothyroidism has not been determined.

Hypothyroidism is reported at a frequency of 2.03% in the Bull Terrier Health Survey. Michigan State University (one frequently used endocrine testing facility) reports 4.3% of 854 Bull Terriers with measurable auto-antibodies to their thyroid gland. The average for all breeds is 7.9%. While the level in Bull Terriers is less than the average of all breeds, this is a genetic disorder, and owners should test their breeding stock to prevent its spread in the population. Hypothyroidism is also linked to behavioural abnormalities in dogs.

Three different kidney disorders have been reported in Bull Terriers: hereditary nephritis, polycystic kidney disease, and age related kidney failure. Age related kidney failure is seen in most old dogs if they survive long enough for the kidney system to begin to fail. The other two problems are breed-related genetic disorders. Hereditary nephritis is an autosomal dominant disorder that causes kidney failure in adult dogs. Early screening for kidney disease involves running a test on the urine; a urine protein/creatinine ratio beginning at 6-12 months of age, through 4 years of age. A kidney biopsy at 3 years of age is a reasonable test for normalcy, although rare cases can have normal biopsy findings, but kidney failure at up to 8 years of age. Hereditary nephritis was originally described in Australian Bull Terriers, but is now being diagnosed with frequency in American dogs.

Polycystic kidney disease is also inherited as an autosomal dominant condition that causes renal failure in Bull Terriers. This condition was originally diagnosed in Australia, and appears to have originated from one family of dogs. The condition in America appears to be infrequently diagnosed. Diagnosis is confirmed by ultrasound examination of the kidneys.

Lethal acrodermatitis is a rare condition in the Bull Terrier caused by an abnormality in copper metabolism. The condition is not responsive to zinc supplementation.

The fact that we are listing all of these breed-related disorders does not mean that the breed is riddled with problems. These are just the problems that breeders should be vigilant about, and screen for in their breeding and pet dogs.

This Article was sent in by a member. Thanks for your input, it may be relating to American breeders but it's an interesting read.

Pet Expo – by Simone Jackson.

Once again the Bull Terrier Club of Victoria was invited to have a stand at a public event, this time Pet Expo at the Showgrounds held on the 2nd & 3rd of February 2013.



It was with great pleasure that myself and my wonderful mini bull Bonnie spent all day Saturday and half of Sunday talking to the general public about our amazing breed, and most of all educating them on what this breed is all about.

Which leads me to a little story that I would like to share with you all.

On the Sunday, a man in his mid forties was looking at Bonnie and myself, and I invited him over to have a pat of Bonnie, his reply to this was "oh no I am scared of those dogs", I could only reply with "why" ?

He nicely replied, "those dogs kill", to my astonishment! I asked him if he was thinking of any breeds that are on the dangerous dog list. "Well of course, bull terriers are on the dangerous dog list" he replied. So you know what my answer to this was? "Are you sure you are not thinking of **American** Pit Bulls". "Mmm yes" he replied. I then pointed to the massive flag behind me that says **ENGLAND** and advised him nicely "but these are English Bull Terriers". He then replies "what is the difference". After about five minutes of chatting to this gentleman about our breed his partner then turns up with the amazing statement "oh I love these dogs"



I then proceeded to pick up Bonnie and advise him to have a pat of her, which he did and then thanked me for explaining the difference of the Pit Bull and Bull Terrier. His partner then continued to pat Bonnie and explain to her man, she had one of these dogs when she was growing up.

So for anyone who may wonder why the club makes an effort to appear at these events, this is why. Educating the public and bringing awareness to people that the English Bull Terrier whether standard or mini is a gentle beast and at most times the clowns we so dearly love.



BULL TERRIER CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC

Winter In The Sun Extravaganza

2013



~ 9th Bull Terrier National ~

Friday 7th June 2013

Durack CCC dog showgrounds, King Ave Durack

Judge: Mrs Janet Furneaux. UK (Dajan)

Entries to: Gayle Stephenson
67 Hives Rd – North Maclean. Qld .4280
07-3200 1685 - 0402090212

Starting time: Friday at 6.00 pm ~ with Veteran Sweepstakes 7 years & Over
Followed by Bull Terrier Miniatures Dogs

Classes: Bull Terriers & Bull Terrier Miniatures
Veteran S/Stakes 7 yrs & Over
1,1a - 2,2a - 3,3a - 4,4a - 5,5a - 10,10a - 11,11a.

Entries: BTCQ Members \$15.00 – Non Members \$20.00 – Babies & Veteran Sweepstakes \$10.00 – Fridays Catalogue \$10.00.

Saturday night Dinner: Adults \$25.00 – Children 5 -12 years \$10.00
(must be booked and paid for with entries. NO tickets sold on the night)

Catalogue advertising: Full page only \$ 25.00

Catering: On the grounds

Pointscore: ROM points & Members points Score.

Camping available on the grounds.

Cheques made payable to "The Bull Terrier Club of Qld Inc" one cheque for all entries for both shows and the dinner.

Entries Close on the 17th May 2013.

~ 18th Biennial Trophy Show ~

Saturday 8th June 2013

Durack CCC dog showgrounds, King Ave Durack

Judge: Mr David Furneaux. UK (Dajan)

Entries to: Gayle Stephenson
67 Hives Rd – North Maclean. Qld .4208
07-3200 1685 - 0402090212

Starting time: Saturday at 10.00 am ~ with Bull Terrier Baby Dogs

Classes: Bull Terriers Only (No Imports or IID)
(please enter all dogs/bitches in their correct age class)
1,1a - 2,2a - 3,3a - 4,4a - 5,5a - 10,10a - 11,11a.

Entries: BTCQ Members \$15.00 – Non Members \$20.00 – Babies \$10.00
Saturdays Catalogue \$10.00

Saturday night Dinner: Adults \$25.00 – Children 5 -12 years \$10.00
(must be booked and paid for with entries. NO tickets sold on the night)

Catalogue advertising: Full page only \$ 25.00

Catering: Dinner in the main dining room starts approx at 5.30 pm. (by ticket only)

Pointscore: ROM points & Members points Score
No Dog or Bitch Challenges.

Camping available on the grounds

Please Note: Full Trophy Show rules can be perused on the National Bull Terrier Councils web site : <http://www.nbtca.com>

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Upcoming Events

Future Vic Club Shows

Championship and Specialty Show April 28th KCC Park

Please see attached schedule for details. Sunday April 28th is proving to be another great day of showing. With Mr Josef Schneider (Austria) judging the Specialty Show in the morning and Bill Leslie (Ireland) with the Championship Show in the afternoon. Again we are going with a luncheon during the break and details are on the schedule.

Members Comp/Fun Day July 6th KCC Park

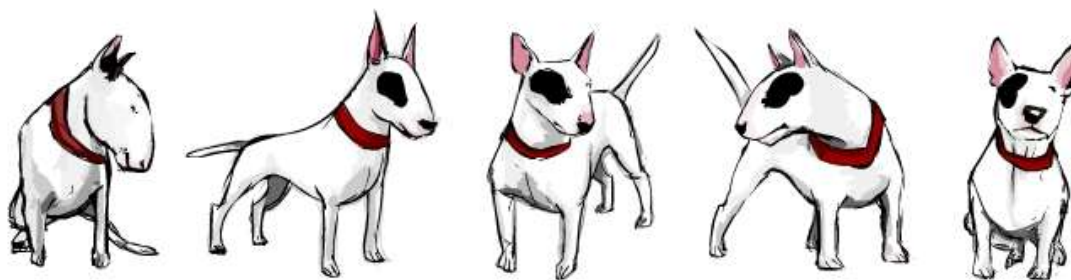
A Members Comp has been scheduled to take place at KCC Park on July 6th. There will be two shows and this will be an indoor show. Breeder judges revealed closer to the date.

Championship and Specialty Show October 19th KCC Park

We are holding four Champ/Specialty shows throughout 2013; it is proving to be a year of big shows. With Australian judges being contacted for this our second set of shows for 2013, this proves to be another big show. There will be two shows in one day with a breakfast BBQ and a luncheon held during the break. More details in future newsletters.

Open Show/Fun Day December 8th Bulla

With Christmas approaching this will be our end of year break up. An Open Show held in the morning and the afternoon is time to relax, enjoy a snag from the BBQ, have fun and enjoy the afternoon show and all the fun activities.



Pet Expos the Bull Terrier Club have been invited to for 2013

Dog Lovers Show Friday May 3rd - Sunday 5th of May Melbourne Exhibition Buildings Carlton

We have been invited to the first ever Dog Lovers Show. This event is billed as being the biggest show on earth; well that's what I like to think. With limited places it was great that the committee got on board and sent off the invite ASAP. The club was successful in securing a stand free of charge. For further information regarding this day, please visit www.dogloversshow.com.au.

Bully Walks for 2013

Saturday 13th of April 2013 **11:30am**

Our second Bully Walk for 2013 is in April at Pipemaker's Park in Maribyrnong. Access is via Van Ness Ave and there is plenty of parking available in the area. There is a lovely setting for our walk and a local member knows the area like the back of her hand. So I'm sure it'll be a lovely day for a stroll along the beautiful Maribyrnong River.

We'll be meeting around 11:30, setting off for a wander and returning for a couple of snags in bread and a cool drink (gold coin donation). Hope to see lots of Bullies at this, another new venue for our walks.

Sunday 19th of May 2013 **9:30am**

Once again we are combining our walk with the RSPCA's Million Paws Walk held at Albert Park Lake. This always is a fun day and there is nothing like seeing one Bully in the crowd - let alone - as was the case last year, 25 Bullies wandering around the lake.

Saturday 3rd of August 2013 **venue yet to be set**

Sunday 13th of October 2013 **venue yet to be set**



Bully Walk Guidelines

Due to the large numbers of dogs turning up to our bully walks and the confined areas where we have congregated, the potential for dogs to have a disagreement with each other has increased and we have seen a few minor incidents on some of our walks which need to be prevented. Some basic ground rules will now be applied to our walks and we will remind walkers at the start of each walk. They are the following:

- 1. Ensure that your dog remains on a lead at all times!**
2. Just because your dog is on a lead, does not mean he is under your control! Be aware of where your dog is at all times! Incidents often occur when you are distracted or chatting with someone. Bull terriers are cheeky and will often poke the ear when you are not looking!
3. Be respectful of other dogs and their space. Do not let your dog sneak up behind other dogs, don't allow your dog to jump on or behave aggressively towards other dogs. Please ask the owner before allowing your dog to greet a strange dog.
4. When walking near other dogs, keep at least a metre's distance between yourself and others. Don't tailgate!
5. Children are not strong enough to walk bull terriers, please ensure on our walks that only an adult or strong teenager is holding the lead!
6. If your dog is a bit grumpy or has a tendency to snap at other dogs, please warn others who approach or get too close. This way, they can be extra careful and you can enjoy the walk without fear of someone sneaking up! And be careful of un-desexed males, they can be unpredictable especially with other entire males.
7. Committee members or experienced handlers will be on every bully walk and will be made known to you. If such a person advises you that your dog is displaying risky behaviour or they do not feel he is under proper control, please take the advice constructively. We do not mean to offend or upset you, however experienced handlers can often prevent an incident by reading your dog's body language or judging when a situation is becoming unsafe.
8. If your dog is involved in an incident you may be asked to walk at the back and away from the other dogs. This is for your dog's safety and everyone else's.
9. Finally – If your dog's behaviour is considered too risky for him to continue the walk, you may be asked to take him home. If this happens to you, don't despair, you can always come along to the walks without your dog and meet other members. You may be able to find a member who you can meet up with locally and try walking your dogs together in much calmer surroundings. Bully walks can get very exciting for some dogs and this can sometimes turn to aggression so we need to adapt to our dogs needs if this is the case. Your dog's behaviour will not improve by constantly putting him in situations he cannot handle. It is unfair on him and unfair to others.

Thank you
BTCV

Dear Members,

Please take time to have a look at our new survey regarding Members Comps. The recent small numbers at these Comps has prompted the committee to again go back to the members to find out your preferences and hopefully attract more members and dogs for the judges at these Shows.

What day would you prefer Members Comps to be held on?	
What time would you like Members Comps to start?	
Which Park, KCC or Bulla do you prefer?	
Would you like Members Comps held somewhere else?	
How many Members Comps a year do you think we should have?	

Any other suggestions you would like to add?

Congratulations Members

This page gives members a chance to show off their recent accolades by sending in photos. If you've recently gained your Recognition of Merit (ROM) or dogs that have recently been titled an Australian Champion.

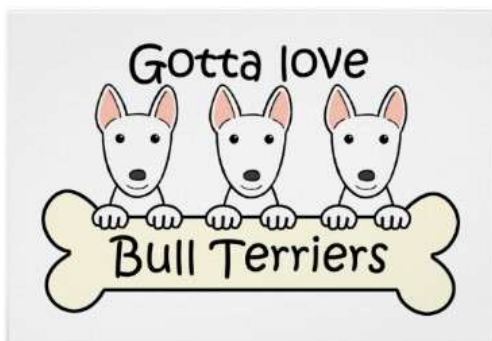
Please feel free to send in photos and some information about your dog. There will be no charge for this page.

A big congrats to all the Victorians who travelled to the South Australian Bully Club shows, there were many familiar faces there.

Congratulations to all the winners, both Bull Terriers and Bull Terrier Miniatures.



Pictured above is CH Sarajeni Joker Jane ROM (Multi BISS & BIS) who won Best of Breed under Mr G Cox on March 16th 2013 and Challenge Bitch & RUBOB under Mrs Cox on the following day.



**Keep up to date with club business
in the virtual world by visiting our
webpage or our new facebook page.**

www.bullterrierclubvic.com

www.facebook.com/groups/bullterrierclubvic

If anyone has any photos or stories they'd like published on any of the club's pages or in the newsletter, please send them in to bullterrierclubvictoria@gmail.com

Congratulations must go to all the Victorian winners who travelled to Sydney for the Bull Terrier Club of NSW Champ show weekend.
To Wakatang Kennels taking out Best in Show both days with brothers, how long since this has happened?



Wakatang Nowhere Man
Owned by Mrs H Boyce
Best in Show
Mr W Fitzgerald (NSW)
Bull Terrier Club of New South Wales
Sunday March 31st 2013



Shirvin Delta Blues
Owned by V & S Healand
Challenge Bitch & R/U BOB
Mrs D Riley (New Zealand)
Bull Terrier Club of New South Wales
Saturday March 30th 2013



Wakatang Sweet Revenge
Owned by B & H Marshall
Best in Show
Mrs D Riley (NZ)
Bull Terrier Club of NSW
Saturday March 30th 2013



**Wakatang Sweet Revenge &
Wakatang Nowhere Man**
Challenge Dog & Reserve Challenge Dog
Mrs D Riley (NZ)
Bull Terrier Club of NSW
Saturday March 30th 2013



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I / we the undersigned wish to put forward my / our names as prospective member/s of THE BULL TERRIER CLUB OF VICTORIA INC. and hereby agree to abide by the rules, bi-laws, Constitution and Code of Conduct of the Club and the VCA, and subscribe here with to the following declaration of honour.

"All members of The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc. do undertake not to breed from or exhibit or cause to exhibit any deaf Bull Terriers and furthermore that they will support the Club in every way practicable to stop the breeding of deaf Bull Terrier dogs or bitches owned by members or anyone else. Members also declare that they will not offer for sale or be anyway concerned in the sale of offering for sale deaf Bull Terriers. Members also agree that they will neither bred from nor offer for stud any animal which has suffered or is suffering from any inheritable painful defect."

NB: The club considers that any dog that cannot hear perfectly to be deaf:

Applicants will be elected by vote of the committee for approval at the first possible Committee Meeting after receipt.

Applicant/s:

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Occupation _____
(Optional)

Desire to become a _____ member/s of The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc.

Signature/s of Applicant/s. _____

_____ Date: __/__/__

Proposer: I, _____ a member of The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc. nominate the Applicant/s who is / are personally known to me.

Signature of Proposer: _____

VCA Membership Number: _____

Membership Category	Annual Fee	Joining Fee	Total Payable
Single	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$30.00
NON MEMBERS VCA ADD PER PERSON	\$7.50		
Dual (Resident at same address)	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$40.00
Junior (under 15)	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$10.00
Junior (under 5)	\$2.00		\$2.00

Note only fees paid after 1st April will carry onto the following year. The financial year ends 30th June and a rejoining fee is required if fees are paid after 31st July. No joining fee is applicable under the 2001 Breeder Membership drive or from interstate applicants if they are a member of their state Bull Terrier Club. Please supply a stamped addressed envelope for return of your membership card and receipt.

Send Applications to: The Secretary - PO Box 447 Montrose VIC 3765