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**LIFE MEMBERS:** Mr K Evans, Mrs G Wilcock, Mr G Benson, Mrs B Cramond, Mrs L Power, Ms Janice Cook, Mr Kevin McGill.

## VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is a united club that spans the interests and activities of all the membership. Our aim for tomorrow is a country where Collies (Rough and Smooth) are bred by responsible, knowledgeable breeders and are owned by a fancy well versed in the breed and committed to their care and betterment. We welcome all walks of life and envision a membership as diverse as the activities they are engaged in. With support and education offered to all in their equally worthy endeavours, we strive for our great hope: A future where no Collie (Rough or Smooth) goes unwanted.

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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The year is flying past as usual, and our AGM is approaching quickly.

The weather gods were shining down on us for our day at the Melbourne Royal Show and continued for the whole week. A most enjoyable day and some great results for the Collie Breed in both Conformation and Rally. Congratulations to all the winners over the week's advents. I'm sure full details will be published further down in this Chatter.

Our AGM is on later this month and am hoping to see you all there for your input into the Club's running and selection of your Committee Members.

Don't forget we need judge's nominations for our upcoming shows.

*Cheers - Alan Wallace*

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

HERE WE ARE AGAIN, approaching the AGM – only seems like six months since we held the last one!

The Melbourne Royal has been done and won, with team Carluke again topping the charts. Huge Congratulations on the Puppy in Group win by Carluke Kissed By Harriet "Dylan".

The way a breed club survives these days is to cater to all aspects of loving the chosen breed. Breeding, showing, dog sports and fun days all have a place on our calendar. This is enabled by diverse kinds of people committed to the Breeds and the Club, and this AGM will bring in some new faces and some returning older ones, for a fresh new attitude.

I look forward to welcoming everyone to the Annual General Meeting, and encourage all to support and applaud those raising their hand to volunteer. Bring along your cash – there may be some goodies on offer!

*Kaye Reeves*

# TREASURER'S REPORT

<b>General Account</b>	<b>\$6,175.52</b>
<b>Balance as per Bank printout 02/10/2023</b>	
Cheque awaiting clearance	\$0.00
Unpresented cheques	\$0.00
Available funds at 02/10/2023	<b>\$6,175.52</b>
	Handbook <b>\$70.00</b>
<b>Rescue a/c</b>	
Balance at 28/07/2023	<b>\$3,244.29</b>
<b>Term Deposit (Handbook)</b>	
Next review date 6/12/2023 – balance	<b>\$13,398.19 @ 4.3%</b>
Total Handbook funds	<b>\$13,398.19 + \$70.00 = \$14,098.19</b>

*Bronwen Cramond*

**Membership renewals due 30<sup>th</sup> September**

# **COLLIE CLUB VICTORIA INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023**

To be held **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 8.00pm**

**KCC Park, Westernport Highway, Skye.**

## **AGENDA**

- 1. President to Open the Meeting**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Appointment of two Scrutineers**
- 4. Confirmation of Previous AGM Minutes**
- 5. Business arising from previous Annual General Meeting**

### **6. Annual Reports**

President

Secretary

Treasurer

Chatter Editor

Dog Sports

Rescue

Fund Raising

Puppy Sales

National Breed Council

Website Report

### **7. Election of Office Bearers and Committee**

<b>President</b>	Alan Wallace	Nom: Janice Cook Sec: Bronwen Cramond
<b>Vice President</b>	Katrina Wenzler	Nom: Amy Butler Sec: Clare Hodges
<b>Secretary</b>	Amy Butler	Nom: Clare Hodges Sec: Jo-Ann Wallace
	Kaye Reeves	Nom: Janice Cook Sec: Bronwen Cramond
<b>Assistant Secretary</b>	Kate Baker	Nom: Kaye Reeves Sec: Shelley Donald
<b>Treasurer</b>	Bronwen Cramond	Nom: Janice Cook Sec: Kaye Reeves
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	Sue Kennedy	Nom: Janice Cook Sec: Kaye Reeves

Christine Baker	Nom: Kate Baker Sec: Claire Cashion
Teeny Talsma	Nom: Kaye Reeves Sec: Kate Baker
Dave Slater	Nom: Kaye Reeves Sec: Shelley Donald
Amy Butler	Nom: Clare Hodges Sec: Kaye Reeves
Clare Hodges	Nom: Amy Butler Sec: Kaye Reeves
Claire Cashion	Nom: Kaye Reeves Sec: Bronwen Cramond

## 8. Election of Judges

### 2024 Championship Show:

**Mrs. Belinda Hales (NSW) "Tyronelea"**

Nom: Kate Baker Sec: Christine Baker

**Resume:** I thank the Collie Club of Victoria for the opportunity to send my resume for consideration to judge at your 2024 Championship Show. Our first Collie was bought when I was 10 and my prefix "Tyronelea" established with our first litter being born in August 1999. Since that time I have bred 10 litters and shown 18 Roughs to their titles, including 3 to Grand Champion status.

I achieved Championship status for Group 5 in 2016 and am currently a trained judge in Group 3, and a Junior Handler Judge. Thank you for the invitation to submit my resume.

**Summary – full Resume available at the Meeting**

### 2024 Championship Show:

**Mrs. Shelley Wildman (WA) "Youanmi"**

Nom: Janice Cook Sec: Shelley Donald

**Resume:** My name is Shelley Wildman and I have been active in the world of the Collie (Rough) since I was a child. My mother Wendy Fancote (Barcoo Collies - WA) had her first Collie in 1976, the year I was born so I grew up within this breed.

My first Collie litter was born in 1992. I have now currently held my Group 5 licence for a little over 3 years, and I always look forward to judging our beautiful breed the Collie (Rough & Smooth).

**Summary – Full Resume available at the Meeting**

### 2024 Open Show:

**Mr. Sylvano Cassingena**

Nom: Kaye Reeves Sec: Claire Cashion

**Resume:** Already holding three groups, and beginning in hounds 30 years ago, Mr. Cassingena sat ringside at our Championship Show in June, watching the judging, and then came to ask me several questions about the breeds, their proportions, etc. He has attended all the lectures.

### **2024 Open Show:**

**Mrs. Maria Cave**

Nom: Kaye Reeves Sec: Bronwen Cramond

**Resume:** Maria Cave has two groups already, and she has imported, bred and shown Labrador Retrievers for many years. She has shown interest in working dogs and Collies, having already put in a year on Group 5 studies; attending all the lectures.

### **2024 Open Show:**

**Mr. Glen Raven**

Nom: Alan Wallace Sec: Jo-Ann Wallace

**Resume:** Group 5 aspiring, he has Corgis and a Group 5 exhibitor for many, many years.

### **2025 Championship Show:**

**Mr. Glen Moore**

Nom: Amy Butler Sec: Clare Hodges

**Resume:** Part of the Mooreholme Family who bred Collies, son of Val.

### **2025 Championship Show:**

**Mrs. Carole Smedley (UK) "Antoc"**

Nom: Kate Baker Sec: Christine Baker

**Resume:** As co-owner of the Antoc affix, along with mother, Aileen Speding, we have been fortunate to breed approximately 30 UK Champions, plus many overseas Champions. We have currently won over 165 CC's in our breeds.

Antoc Collies have won Pup of the Year Finals; Veteran Stakes Finals; Breeders Stakes; BOB at Crufts on two occasions and have won a total of 8 CC's at Crufts. We have bred Champion Collies in both sexes and in all three colours. I awarded my first Rough Collie CC's in 1987 and have officiated at most of the main Ch and Club Shows. In 2005 I was invited to judge Rough Collie Dogs at Crufts and hold a forward invitation for Rough Collie Bitches in 2019 and again in 2024 for Rough Collie Dogs. I judged Smooth Collies at Crufts 2014, and I judge many other breeds . . . including Welsh Corgi (Pembroke) and (Cardigan), Shetland Sheepdogs, Border Collies, and Finnish Lapphunds in the Pastoral Group.

I have judged in many European countries; my other interests include the Training and Education of new judges; have been elected the BEC for Collies Rough and am currently Chairman of the Rough Collie Breed Council, representing all 14 individual breed clubs. I also write a weekly Breed Note for the Dog Press and keep extensive pedigree records for the breed.

**Summary – Full Resume available at the Meeting (Carole's mum – Aileen Speding judged the CCV Champ Show in 1978.)**

### **9. Extraordinary:**

At a duly convened Committee Meeting of the Club it was resolved that Mrs Patricia McGill be given Honorary Membership of the Club. The decision is required to be ratified at this AGM.

### **10. Date for next AGM**

### **11. Meeting Closed**

Please come along, support your club, bring a plate of goodies to share and join us for an after meeting cuppa and catch up with friends



# ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW RESULTS

## COLLIE (ROUGH)

### Puppy Dog (3 Entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CARLUKE KISSED BY HARRIET  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mr R & Mrs G Doe: ROBGAI RELENTLESS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CARLUKE KISSED BY FABERGE

### Junior Dog (1 Entry)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mr J Shields: CLIFFGLYNN BLACK OPIUM

### Intermediate Dog (2 Entries – 1 Absent)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mr A Mrs J Miss K & Miss C Wallace: CH COLTIE ULTIMATE DREAM  
Absent Ms S J Buckley: CH KIRRIELOCH BLACK TIE OPTIONAL (AI)

### Australian Bred Dog (2 Entries – 1 Absent)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ms C Cashion & Ms E Harris: CH ELFREYA RILEY PATHFINDER  
Absent Mr R & Mrs G Doe: CH ROBGAI LORD OF THE DANCE

### Open Dog (3 Entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CH CARLUKE FALLING IN LOVE  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ms K Reeves: CH IZKAZE LE CORSAIRE  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mr J Shields: CH CATHKIN WHATS IT ALL ABOUT

**CHALLENGE DOG:** Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CARLUKE KISSED BY HARRIET

**RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG:** Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CH CARLUKE FALLING IN LOVE

### Baby Puppy Bitch (1 Entry)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mr R & Mrs G Doe: ROBGAI NIGHTYME SERENADE (and **Baby of the day**)(*pictured*)

### Puppy Bitch (1 Entry)

- 1s Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CARLUKE FROU FROU REVUE

### Intermediate Bitch (4 Entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mr A Mrs J Miss K & Miss C Wallace: CH COLTIE FOREVER ELLEGANT  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CH KIRRIELOCH OH CALAMITY (AI)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Miss T Talsma: CH CARLUKE FABULOUSLY FANCY  
Ms K Wenzler: SUNSHARD TALK WITHOUT SPEAKING TDX CA

### Australian Bred Bitch (2 Entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mr A Mrs J Miss K & Miss C Wallace: CH COLTIE ELLEGANT DREAM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Miss M Bester: CH BAQILODGE DRAPED IN MOONBEAMS

### Open Bitch (3 Entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ms C Cashion & Ms E Harris: CH ELFREYA RILEY  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CH SCOTTLYME PRELUDE TO A KISS (IMP BEL)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mr R & Mrs G Doe: CH ROBGAI DEARLY BELOVED

**CHALLENGE BITCH:** CARLUKE FROU FROU REVUE (*bottom*)

**RESERVE CHALLENGE BITCH:** Ms C Cashion & Ms E Harris: CH ELFREYA RILEY

**BEST OF BREED and PUPPY IN GROUP:** Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CARLUKE KISSED BY HARRIET (*cover*)

**RUNNER UP BEST OF BREED:** Mrs C & Miss K Baker: CH CARLUKE FALLING IN LOVE





## COLLIE (SMOOTH)

### Australian Bred Dog (1 Entry)

Miss S Donald: CH FOXBELL YOU FETCHEM AT ORTHANC  
HSMAs HSBs

### Open Dog (2 Entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Miss M Bester: CH BAQILOGE X MARKS THE SPOT  
2<sup>nd</sup> Miss C Hodges: DUAL CH (T) SUNSHARD THE  
ALCHEMIST CD TSD  
Absent Ms J Cook: TENDERWIND TOUCH OF KINDNESS  
(IMP FIN)

**CHALLENGE DOG:** Miss M Bester: CH. BAQILOGE X  
MARKS THE SPOT *(pictured)*

**RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG:** Miss S Donald: CH.  
FOXBELL YOU FETCHEM AT ORTHANC HSMAs HSBs

### Junior Bitch (1 Entry)

1<sup>st</sup> Mrs J Garvin: CARLUKE THE NAKED TRUTH

### Intermediate Bitch (2 Entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Miss A Butler: SUNSHARD SHAPE OF HAPPINESS TD JC  
W/D Ms J Cook: FOXBELL ALL ABOUT EWE

### Australian Bred Bitch (2 Entries – 1 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> Miss A Butler: DUAL CH (RO) DRAMBUIE DRY AND DIRTY CCD CD RAE TDX AD JDX SD SPD GD ET  
2<sup>nd</sup> Miss S Donald: CH FOXBELL FASHION ZISTA AT ORTHANC  
Absent Ms K Hoggard: CH JENCOL WRITTEN INTH STARS

### Open Bitch (1 Entry)

1<sup>st</sup> Ms J Cook: CH FOXBELL VERY FINISHED HT

**CHALLENGE BITCH:** Miss A Butler: DUAL CH (RO) DRAMBUIE DRY AND DIRTY CCD CD RAE TDX AD JDX  
SD SPD GD ET

### **RESERVE CHALLENGE**

**BITCH:** Ms J Cook: CH FOXBELL  
VERY FINISHED HT

**BEST OF BREED and Short  
listed for Group:** Miss M  
Bester: CH BAQILOGE X MARKS  
THE SPOT

### **RUNNER UP BEST OF**

**BREED:** Miss A Butler: DUAL CH  
(RO) DRAMBUIE DRY AND DIRTY  
CCD CD RAE TDX AD JDX SD SPD  
GD ET *(pictured)*





The first day of the royal hosted a double rally trial. There were a few Collies entered in these trials, one in Novice and in Masters. At the conclusion of the trial a trio of Novice handlers and their dogs were asked to go through Maribeth Murphy's rally novice course again for the Governor General of Australia, His Excellency David Hurley and Mrs Hurley. One of the competitors and dogs selected was our own Katrina Wenzler and her young girl Ahsoka. They both did the most lovely, flawless demonstration run after two very bouncy but successful runs earlier in the day which gave them their rally novice title.

Amy and her sable smooth girl Deo also started out their Royal with a second in their Masters class.



*Don't forget that the club is at the Dog lovers show next weekend! If you'd like to offer your assistance, please contact Amy.*

# Dog Sports Report

*From the 30th of April 2023 to the 30th of July 2023*

The Dog sports season really comes into full swing as we come to the end of April, the weather cools down and it's much more pleasant temperature wise for everyone. Tracking starts in late May, when hopefully the weather cools enough to reduce the risk of snakes, but before the tracking season starts there is a flurry of obedience, rally, and other trials. Which then die down over the tracking season, this is usually because the same people run both sometimes across multiple club committees. I am happy to say that after a long period where our breed numbers in performance were low, we are now seeing more and more dogs beginning their careers and doing well. Lots of titles, and most importantly lots of fun which is always great to see.

## AGILITY:

There are currently only a couple of Collies trialling in agility, between age, injury (of both dogs and handlers!) there's not a lot happening. However over in Perth on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May, Paula Wilkins and Juno completed the final pass they needed for their Snooker Dog title, with a lovely, controlled round. Juno will now be known as Ellerran Dream Big TDX SD



Meanwhile on the same day right over the other side of the country, Naomi Shaw was out with Nakor at their home club in Rockhampton with team Gingernuts. Team Gingernuts is the affectionate name of the current pairs team which includes Nakor and Tully the Brittany and his owner Sandra Rowcliffe. Both Nakor (pictured) and Tully are young boys with an abundance of go faster enthusiasm but somewhat less directional control, which of course spells chaos and a lot of entertainment for anyone watching. The boys placed first out of a class of one in their novice pairs run, which was the first time either of them had ever been in the ring with another dog.

A few weeks later on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June team Gingernuts were back at it again claiming yet another first place but no pass run in strategic pairs from an entry of one... so far, it's still more of the pairs and less of the strategy but everyone is having fun. Nakor also won a first place in his jumping class but again no cardboard which he says is Naomi's fault entirely.

## HERDING:

On the weekend of the 14<sup>th</sup> of May, the VHA hosted their open trial. In between judging appointments Shelley Donald and Mackie managed to complete two runs and two first places which enabled them to complete Mackie's B course title in very fine style. Mackie will now be known as Ch Foxbell You Fetch Em at Orthanc HNAs HSMAs HSBs (pictured)

Over the weekend of the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of July the Victorian Herding Association held another of their herding trials. Again, Shelley managed to trial in between judging appointments and



Mackie did her proud with a lovely Novice A Course Sheep pass which earned him a first place and three nice Started B Course passes one of which was also a first place.

## LURE COURSING:

Lure coursing is another of the newer sports and boy do the dogs love it. Plastic bags are attached to the lure and the course tends to be variations of a figure of eight. There's a few Collies out there earning their go faster stripes and why not! The real challenge seems to be catching them at the end! Over in Adelaide on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May Eva and Inka had a very busy day but still found time to come home with the 7<sup>th</sup> pass towards her CA which left her with one pass to go. About 5 weeks later on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, Inka stepped out again to complete the final run she needed for her Coursing ability title. She will now be known as Brafferton Incan Sea Treasure CCD TK.S RAE CA

Over the weekend of the 16<sup>th</sup> of July up in Queensland Chloe Lewty finally managed to get back out chasing plastic bags with her two boys. Rebel (Lexwood Blackfyre Rebellion TK.S HT CA) hasn't been coursing for two years but this didn't stop him from snaffling two passes towards his Coursing ability advanced title.

On the weekend of the 30<sup>th</sup> of July Geelong hosted their two day lure coursing trial which by all reports it was very well run and everyone had a lot of fun. Katrina made the long drive over forgoing the Working dog club tracking trial to do some go faster runs with Ahsoka (Sunshard Talk Without Speaking TDX JC). Ahsoka had a grand time flying around to bring home two passes towards her coursing Ability title.

## OBEDIENCE:

While there's only a handful of Collies doing obedience currently, we did have a very big title achieved in June and hopefully numbers will pick up again soon as more dogs become trial ready. In Victoria Berwick ODC traditionally hold their obedience and rally trial on Mother's Day each year. Anne Rogers attended the morning obedience trial hoping for a nice Mother's Day present and Ella didn't let her down, gaining the final pass she needed for her CCD title. Making Ella, Brafferton Ella Enchanted CCD RN

At the other end of the east coast on the 28<sup>th</sup> of May Jackie Christensen and Lilli ventured out to Logan's obedience trial where Lilli gained their 4<sup>th</sup> Obedience champion pass in UD... leaving them with one pass for the title. A few weeks later, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June Jackie and Lilli (*pictured*) created a bit of history claiming their final OC pass and becoming the first Collie in Australia to gain an OC since the 1990's and only the 5<sup>th</sup> Collie to gain this title. Lilli is also the only Collie to gain this title under the current rules which no longer require a dog to hold tracking titles. Lilli now has 20 titles including her OC which is arguably one of the most difficult performance titles to attain. Lilli will now be known as Dual Ch (OC) Clairescotts Lilli O the Valley RN ADX JDX SD SPD TK.I HTM.I FS.N

Finally on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July in Perth Vicki Long and her ever obliging Pixie gained the final pass for their CCD title. Amazingly Vicki and Pixie achieved this with Vicki needing to use her walker, it's taken them some time to work out how to do the exercises required but they have and it says volumes about what can be achieved with determination and also how hard our dogs will work for us when asked. Pixie will now be known as



Mazarelli Pixie CCD RN TK.S FS.S (pictured)

## RALLY:

The 14<sup>th</sup> May is Berwick ODC's traditional trial day, hosting obedience in the morning and rally in the afternoon. We had a good entry of Collies across the day and in the rally trial we had lots of lovely success stories too. In the Novice ring we had Ahsoka (Sunshard Talk without Speaking TDX JC) and Katrina out for their maiden voyage and what a great job they did. Winning the ring and gaining their first pass and high scoring Berwick member in trial. Meanwhile the Advanced ring was full of Collies! As well as Deo and her third place pass, we also had Anne Rogers and her pretty rough girl Ella (Brafferton Ella Enchanted RN), who rounded out their successful morning with another pass, then to complete our Advanced entries we had Monica with Mogh (Neut Ch Raaybeam Capt Jaytee Kirk RN) her tri smooth boy, who also came home with cardboard. Amy and Deo also won the Excellent ring as well as her third place in the Advanced ring gaining



the final double pass required for her RAE title which completes the titles she can achieve in rally. She will now be known as Dual Ch (RO) Drambuie Dry and Dirty CCD CD RAE TDX AD JDX SD SPD GD ET (pictured with Ahsoka and Mogh)

A month later on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June and the final day of the long weekend which traditionally hosts a series of Rally and Obedience trials across the Gippsland clubs, Anne Rogers trotted out to the lovely Morwell grounds where Ella (Brafferton Ella Enchanted CCD RN) collected a second place, and a pass in her Advanced ring.

A week later a thousand kilometres away on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June at the Noarlunga ODC club trial Eva

Drage and Inka (Brafferton Incan Sea Treasure CCD TK.S RAE JC) stepped out for their first Rally trial in quite a while, Inka didn't disappoint coming home with a Rally Masters pass.

Another week later and this time double the distance away on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June, Aileen Gibbons and Marley her sable smooth girl ventured out to the Logan All Breeds KC's rally trial to gain the final two rally novice passes she needed for her title. Marley will now be known as Sunshard World of Dreams RN

Over the weekend of the 8<sup>th</sup> of July Geelong held their double rally and obedience trials, which unfortunately proved very challenging weather wise with a lot of very strong winds. Anne Rogers and Ella made the trip down to gain yet another second place pass in their Advanced ring which also gave them, their title. Ella (pictured) will now be known as Brafferton Ella Enchanted CCD RA TK.S

To round out the month on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July In Adelaide at the Para Districts double rally and obedience trial Eva and Rocky (Brafferton Black Ice CDX RAE TK.S RM TD SWN JC) gained the 7<sup>th</sup> pass that they need towards their Rally Champ title which leaves them with three passes to go.



## SCENTWORK:

Since its inception Scentwork has really taken off, the entries at trials are nothing short of enormous and as it's an all abilities friendly sport that's not surprising. This has of course resulted in clubs needing to ballot entries, which means sometimes people miss out. In Victoria we have quite a few dogs trialling, some at quite advanced levels already. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of May Bryan and Sandra and the boys attended Hastings' very well supported trial. At this trial Rioja completed the final pass he needed for his Scentwork Advanced title. He will now be known as Dual Ch (T) Dual Grand Ch (TS) (Neut) Ellerran Rioja Blue Distinctn FM SWA



Though we don't have specific dates we know that over the duration of June Keish Wall and her lovely sable rough girl Lady (Ch Mazarelli Lady of The Breeze RN TK.S SWN) were out trying their paw at the advance levels. They both did fantastically gaining 4 passes over 4 trials, two in containers, and one each in exteriors and interiors.

On the weekend of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July, Para Districts ODC held their scent work trial, there was a huge entry (as has been the

case everywhere since the sport started) and a number of Collies and the trial spanned both days of the weekend. In Novice we had Karen Mingham and Zoe (Ellerran Carry Me Home JC) who gained a pass in both containers and exteriors, and Eva Drage and Inka (Brafferton Incan Sea Treasure CCD RAE TK.S TD CA) who gained a pass in both exteriors and vehicles. Then in Advanced we had Eva and Rocky (Brafferton Black Ice CDX RAE TK.S RM SWN TD JC) who gained a pass in both interiors and containers. Bryan and Sandra Crowley also made the trip over to Adelaide for the trial. They had Durif in Advanced and he gained passes in three elements Containers, Interior and Vehicles. While Rioja and Enigma were both in Excellent, both boys gained a pass in their containers element, making it a very successful trip. *(pictured)*

## TRACK AND SEARCH:

Up at the North East Tracking and Scent club in Wodonga on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May, Katrina and Chivas *(pictured)* ventured out for their Test 8. The test 8 is a night track in the streets, which includes 5 changes of direction as well as a two-minute pause at some point in the middle of the track. The track itself is 1km long and aged for 3 hours. Chivas and Katrina did a beautiful job and passed their test 8 to gain their Track and Search Champion title with the rarest of things, an Excellent grading. Chivas will now be known as TS Ch T Ch Sunshard Beyond the Dream CCD RE TK.S WPD

A month later the Tracking Club of Victoria brought Track and Search to KCC Park, from the Friday to the Monday on the weekend of the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, Cranbourne and the surrounding suburbs hosted a bevy of dogs out looking for any number of "lost" people. If you want some real entertainment the stories, the judges come up with as to how our tracklayers get themselves lost are well worth listening too. There were a lot of Collies entered and the success rate was very high, with Katrina and Chivas gaining their test 9 and Miko (Tri Ch (Neut) (T)(TS) Talcott Hallelujah CD RM) and I doing the same. Amy and Deo (Dual Ch (RO) Drambuie Dry and Dirty CCD CD RAE TDX AD JDX SD SPD GD ET) gained their test 2 as did Esther and Sky (Brafferton Winter Sky TD).



Then we had Bryan and Sandra out with their two blue boys both for their test 3. Both boys passed which makes Durif - T Ch Ellerran Durif Parti Hi Lights SWN TSD and Enigma, Dual Ch(T) Ellerran Enigma Blue Beguile SWA TSD. Enigma also won the lovely tartan rosette for highest scoring collie in trial donated by the CCV.

## TRACKING:

The 14<sup>th</sup> of May is always a very busy weekend for trials in Victoria, and while many of us were out at Berwick doing other things Vicki Brown was out tracking at Haddon. She and Nix (Brafferton Sea Sprite TD) had a very successful day with Nix gaining her test 4 with a grading of good.

Three weeks later over in SA on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June at Monarto, Eva and Rocky ventured out to have a crack at their test 3, it was mission accomplished and Rocky will now be known as Brafferton Black Ice CDX RAE TK.S RM TD SWN JC

The GSD club held their annual trial at Haddon over the weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup> of June this year and as usual there were a number of Collies entered. Vicki Brown ventured up and in between gophing for judges and laying tracks she and Nix (Brafferton Sea Sprite TD) managed to make it out to gain a nice pass and Nix's Test 5. Katrina travelled out to Haddon from Pakenham a few days later with Ahsoka (Sunshard Talk without Speaking TD JC) to also claim her test 5

In Perth over the same weekend Paula Wilkins and Juno (Ellerran Dream Big RN TDX JD SD) were out navigating in the bush to bring home their test 7.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of June Eva and Inka (Brafferton Incan Sea Treasure CCD RAE TK.S CA) ventured out to Monarto which has been the home of tracking in SA since the 1980's. Inka did a very good job of tracking Karen Mingham to gain her test 2 with grading of good.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of July in WA Paula Wilkins and Juno completed their test 8 and Juno's tracking Champion title. Juno will now be known as T Ch Ellerran Dream Big RN JD SD (*pictured*)

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of July the Tracking club of Victoria held their tracking trial, this trial ended up being in two locations due to the huge number of entries and the resulting difficulties of obtaining access to enough land to hold all the tracks required. Amy and her two smooth girls ended up at Bulla tracking in the bushland around the airport. In quite dry and difficult conditions both girls gained a pass Deo (Dual Ch (RO) Drambuie Dry and Dirty CCD CD RAE TDX AD JDX SD SPD GD ET) her test 7 and Tachi (Sunshard Shape Of Happiness TD) her test 4. Meanwhile out at Inverleigh where the rest of the trial was being held Katrina and her blue, rough bombshell Ahsoka, kept the side up by completing her test 6 and gaining her Tracking dog excellent title which makes her Sunshard Talk without Speaking TDX JC

A week later everyone in Victoria was tracking down at Gippsland and the lovely trials held at Morwell. At this trial Katrina and Ahsoka passed their test 7, Heather Johns and Charlee (Brafferton Dragons Treasure TD) completed their test 4, while Elliot Glass and his sweet girl Bess (MissBess) who is an associate registered Collie rough bravely ventured out for their test 1 which dear Bess passed.



On the weekend of the 30<sup>th</sup> of July, the Working dog club held their annual trial at Haddon. Normally the trial is held in May but due to a clash of dates it was moved to the end of July. We had Heather Johns and Charlee and Amy and Katachi out for their test 5 both girls did a great job and passed with Charlee taking home the lovely CCV rosette for high scoring Collie in trial.

## TRICKS:

Tricks is another of our new sports that has taken off, Tricks trials too have huge entries and are drawing more people over to trying dog sports. One of those people who have been enjoying the new sport is Greta Piazzoli, who on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May attended her first tricks trial with her beautiful tri rough girl, Dolly (Ch Vedamea Cross My Heart). They both had a great time and gained their first trick started pass and a second place.

A little over a week later, in Perth on the weekend of the 14<sup>th</sup> of May Vicki Long and Pixie gained their first novice tricks pass and a third place. Vicki and Pixie have some unique challenges in that Vicki can now only continue to trial with the aid of her walker. It certainly isn't holding either of these ladies back and it is wonderful to see how much can be achieved if you really want to.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of June, Naomi ventured down from Rockhampton to Durack with Nakor (otherwise known as Sir Loudmouth and a number of other less repeatable names). Who made his debut in the tricks ring. In spite of his having rather a lot to say he managed to gain a very nice pass and second place in his started class. A week later and a lot closer to home Nakor (Ch Sunshard Advocate of Illusions) backed up his first pass with a second at the Rockhampton trial.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of June, Jackie Christensen attended the Yuggera evening tricks trial to gain the final pass Lilli needed for her Tricks Intermediate title, making her Ch Clairecotts Lilli O The Valley UD RN TK.I ADX JDX SPD SD FS.I HTM.I.

A few weeks later and at the other end of the country on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July Julie Brown and Sayla completed their Tricks started title Sayla will now be known as Collieston Suncatcher RN TK.S

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of July in the Nation's capital, Dolly and Greta backed up their first successful outing with another, to take out a lovely final pass toward her title. Dolly will now be known as Ch Vedamea Cross My Heart TK.S *(pictured)*

The following day Naomi Shaw and her very loud smooth boy ventured down to Hervey Bay where she was judging rally at the following days trial. The night before the club hosted a tricks trial, they clearly have some very hardy workers up there! Running two trials back to back in different sports, is a challenge for even the most dedicated. Nakor decided Naomi wasn't getting all the attention so pulled his paw out to gain a first and second place in his started classes and his title. Nakor will now be known as Ch Sunshard Advocate of Illusions TK.S

