



# ROTORUA DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB INC

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[www.rotoruadogobedience.org.nz](http://www.rotoruadogobedience.org.nz)



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## ***FRIENDS OF THE CLUB***

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## **CENTRAL CITY VETS**

***Rotorua Dog Obedience Club would like to send a big thank you to  
Central City Vets for their ongoing support of our club***

## RESULTS –

**Our Three big national dog shows of the year were held last month the Black Hawk National Dog Show (Obedience), The National Dog Obedience Assembly (NDOA) and the NZ Dog Agility Championship (NZDAC). RDOC members did very well at these events taking out quite a few significant placings. Special mention of Jo and Zeus who won a Starters class at NZDAC and to Eunice and Ranger for winning Test B at the National Dog Show.**

NZDAC October – Agility Jo Klein won starters class with Zeus and got 3<sup>rd</sup> in a Jumpers C. Dawn Williams and Peppa came 3<sup>rd</sup> in a Novice class and 9<sup>th</sup> in an Intermediate. Peter Franz had some nice clear rounds but unfortunately was not place in the placings. Gloria and Delta placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Starters 1 and 6<sup>th</sup> Starters 3 and Gloria and Macy 5<sup>th</sup> Starters 1 maxi



WAG September – Peter Franz and Teak 5<sup>th</sup> Senior 2 Small, Dawn and Peppa 3<sup>rd</sup> Novice 3 Maxi, Dawn and Peppa 2<sup>nd</sup> Novice 1 Maxi

Counties DTC AGCH September – Gloria and Macy 3<sup>rd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> in Starters, Gloria and Delta placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Starters

TDTC AGCG Sept – Peter and Teak 2<sup>nd</sup> Senior 1 Small, Dawn and Peppa 5<sup>th</sup> AD, Jo and Zeus 5<sup>th</sup> Novice 3 Maxi, Jo and Keisha 2<sup>nd</sup> AD

Taupo DTC August – Nicky and Skylar 2<sup>nd</sup> and a 4<sup>th</sup> placing in Jumpers, Dawn and Peppa 3<sup>rd</sup> Jumpers B, Gloria and Delta placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Jumpers C.

Black Hawk National Dog Show (Obedience) October – Sonia Whiteman and Chloe got 5<sup>th</sup> in Test A, Eunice and Ranger got 1<sup>st</sup> and a 6<sup>th</sup> placing in Test B, Dianne Western and Tana got 3<sup>rd</sup> in Test B. Dianne and Nyala got 5<sup>th</sup> in Test B



NDOA October – Dianne and Tana 3<sup>rd</sup> in Test B, Dianne and Nyala 5<sup>th</sup> Test B. Eunice and Ranger 6<sup>th</sup> Test B.

Manakau DTC OBCH October – Eunice and Ranger got 1 3<sup>rd</sup> and a 6<sup>th</sup> in Test B, Dianne Western and Nyala got 1<sup>st</sup> and a 4<sup>th</sup> in Test B. Dianne and Tana got 5<sup>th</sup> in Test B

Manakau DTC RallyO CH October - Dianne and Fleezil got 2<sup>nd</sup> in Novice B, Dianne Western and Tana got 5<sup>th</sup> in Test B, Dianne and Monty got 2 3<sup>rd</sup> placings in Advanced A Barbara Brooks and Euchre qualified Novice B, Barbara and Alley qualified Novice B, Ann McSweeny and Katy qualified Advanced B and gained a 2<sup>nd</sup> placing on the other day, Ann and Katy got 2<sup>nd</sup> and a 3<sup>rd</sup> placing in Excellent B

Hawkes Bay DTC September – Eunice and Ranger got 2<sup>nd</sup> in Test B show 1, Eunice and Ranger got 4<sup>th</sup> in Test B show 2, Dianne and Tana got 5<sup>th</sup> in Test B, Dianne and Nyala got 4<sup>th</sup> in Test B

**pawsome!**



## THIS MONTHS FUNNIES

A priest, a doctor, and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers.

The engineer fumed, "What's with those guys? We must have been waiting for fifteen minutes!"

The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such inept golf!"

The priest said, "Here comes the greenkeeper. Let's have a word with him." He said, "Hello George, What's wrong with that group ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

The greenkeeper replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind firemen. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime!"

The group fell silent for a moment. The priest said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleague and see if there's anything she can do for them."

The engineer said, "Why can't they play at night?"



### Understanding Engineers

What is the difference between mechanical engineers and civil engineers?

Mechanical engineers build weapons. Civil engineers build targets.

### Understanding Engineers

Normal people believe that if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Engineers believe that if it ain't broke, it doesn't have enough features yet.

## DO YOU HAVE THE TYPE OF DOG WHO WOULD BE GOOD FOR PET THERAPY?

If your dog is quiet and gentle and enjoys being around people would you consider volunteering for a group called Canine Friends? This is a national group who volunteer themselves and their dogs to visit Rest Homes. If you are interested in finding out more please send me an email or go to their web page.

[www.caninefriends.org.nz](http://www.caninefriends.org.nz)



## **Championship Obedience Show – 2018**

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Our annual championship Obedience and Rally-O show is coming up on anniversary weekend – the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of January, held out at Lake Rerewhakaaitu.

As always this is the time that we ask you to step up and help support our trainers in return for the fantastic work they do teaching our classes all year. The show is a big deal for the club and we need all hands possible on deck to make it run smoothly and to share the load.



If you pop into the clubhouse you will see a big whiteboard with all the jobs that need filled on at the office end of the room. Feel free to throw your name up for something or have a chat with any of your trainers or the committee members and we can help you find something to suit.

If you can't get down to club, email us on

[rotoruaogtraining@gmail.com](mailto:rotoruaogtraining@gmail.com)

and let us know what you are able to help out with.

### **We are specifically looking for ....**

Stewards for the obedience tests

We are looking for an organised person to take on sorting out the judge's lunch table each day. This would be from approx. 11.00am-2pm each day. Mixing salads, carving meat, dressing tables and generally just making it all work!

We also need people to help out in the main kitchen. There are flexibility around times so don't be put off if you can't do the whole thing, let us know what you CAN do and we will fit you in.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 11.00am – 2.00pm

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 11.00am – 2.00pm

There are also positions for someone to help in the stay ring and people available for 'hot scenting' Being a scent decoy or 'hot scent' just involves having clean hands, pockets and some patience! No experience necessary.

Finally – if you absolutely can't make it down we appreciate any support in the form of a salad or dessert for lunches or some baking for the main kitchen. Food transport out to the show from Rotorua can be arranged if required.

## Christmas Party - Wednesday 20th of December 6.30pm start.

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**Yes, it really is that time of year again!**

Our Christmas parties are a great laugh and a good opportunity to try having a go at something a bit different with your dog. We will again have a variety



of games for you and your four legged friends to have a go at, with prizes for effort, intrepidness and making us laugh! This year's activities include "paw painting" a mural, an agility relay game, a 'hot dog dunking' game and demonstrations from some of our classes.

This year we are asking that you bring a small plate of (human) food for us to share together, as well as some sort of donation towards our January Champ show raffle – this is a great time to make sure you aren't giving last years unwanted gift back to Aunt Mabel! Donations can be doggie or people related.

Dressing up, looking silly and having fun are highly encouraged. (There will be a prize for the best dressed!).



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### R.D.O.C. Lending Library

Our Lending Library is now up and running for all club members. We now have a selection of DVD's that can be borrowed. To borrow any of the DVD's contact Dawn dawnwilliams100@yahoo.co.uk DVD rental is \$5 for 2 weeks, which can be paid online or to Dawn in cash. Our collection is small but growing

#### **Crate Games-Susan Garrett**

This DVD is for all dog owners. Step by step you will improve the bond with your dog. From those wishing for a wonderful family pet, to those wanting to compete in agility/obedience/CGC or Rally-O. This DVD is great for puppies, right through to re-training an older dog or rescued dog. Your dog will grow confidence in recall, sit stays, self-control, distraction training and motivation.

#### **Dream Weaves-Ann Croft**

This DVD is for you if you want to teach your new dog how to weave with enthusiasm and accuracy. Dream Weaves is also very useful for handlers who want to help dogs who already know how to weave to be faster, more reliable and more independent. Easy to follow and fun for you and your dog.

#### **Success with One Jump- Susan Garrett**

Susan is one the world most successful agility competitors, and trainers. This DVD is for beginner handlers to practice all the basic agility handling techniques at home without fancy equipment or a huge backyard- using just one jump!

#### **2x2 Weave Training-Susan Garrett**

This DVD is best for experienced handlers wishing to train your new dog to weave or improve your current dogs understanding, speed and reliability in competition.





## MEET YOUR COMMITTEE

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My name is Melissa Evans and I am the new club Secretary. I have taken over from Ginny, whom you will all know well. I have some very experienced shoes to fill – no pressure!

I'm a fairly new member to the Rotorua Dog Obedience Club, and been with the club for almost a year now and have loved it.

We completed the pet dog beginner's class with my pup Mini, who is what we (at home) call a liquorice all sort, leaning towards whippet/terrier/working dog x. More affectionately we call her Mini pup-pup and she is a goof ball who loves to run and run and sniff out socks and shoes. I have to say being the parent of a fur baby is pretty tough for a newbie and getting advice has been key to surviving the first year. We have started beginners Agility with Dawn and also a Noseworx course with Sue Williams, which has been a lot of fun.

Becoming a committee member has given me insights into the dog training world, which I have both been challenged by and also greatly enjoyed. I have hugely appreciated the advice and tips from the experienced committee members and I still

have a huge amount of learning to do. I am looking forward to continuing to work with the committee and the club over the coming months. Please feel free to drop me a line via email at [rdocsec@gmail.com](mailto:rdocsec@gmail.com).

Melissa

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## HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT ADOPTING A GREYHOUND?

**When you adopt a Greyhound you receive much more than just a dog.**

Greyhounds make great pets and will fit in with whatever lifestyle you have. They are the perfect “couch potatoes” and do not require much exercise. They are more than happy to lazy around the house and keep you company for trot beside side you on a daily walk. They also make Pet Therapy dogs.



Greyhounds as Pets (GAP) is a reputable long standing adoption agency with 2000 completed adoptions being a testament to the success of its processes. All of our team, whether it is the person you meet for the first time at an event, your home checker, your Area Coordinator, your Regional Coordinator or your Kennel Manager are committed to matching you to the hound that is perfect for your family circumstances.

You will know that your hound has been temperament tested, health checked (including a dental check), desexed, fully vaccinated, registered and treated for worms and fleas.

You will also have the support and knowledge of your Kennel Manager for as long as needed to settle your new family member into your home.

So whether it is your first hound or maybe even your second or third, you have a great GAP team supporting you.

If you are interested in finding out more regarding adopting Greyhounds go to [www.greyhoundsaspets.org.nz](http://www.greyhoundsaspets.org.nz)

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## Homemade Candy Cane Dog Treats



### Ingredients:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
  - 1/2 cup non-fat powdered milk
  - 1/2 tsp baking powder
  - 1 cup warm water
  - 1 chicken bouillon cube (or water)
  - 2 large eggs
  - 2 tsp red food colouring
  - 1/2 tsp peppermint oil flavouring (optional)
  - 1 large egg (for an egg wash)
  - Additional flour for kneading
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### Instructions:

1. Whisk together the flour, powdered milk and baking powder.
2. In a small bowl, pour the warm water over the chicken bouillon, stir until dissolved.
3. Whisk the eggs into the chicken water.
4. Form a well in the dry ingredients, pour in the wet ingredients.
5. Stir until thoroughly combined.
6. Knead the dough for about two minutes.
7. Add more flour until the dough is no longer sticky.
8. Separate the dough in half.
9. Form a well in one of the balls of dough.
10. Add the food colouring and peppermint flavouring.
11. Wearing food safe gloves, knead the colouring and flavouring throughout the dough.
12. Cool the dough in the refrigerator for 2 hours or in the freezer for 30 minutes.
13. Preheat the oven to 350° F
14. Divide each ball of dough into tablespoon sized balls.
15. Gently roll each ball into a "worm" shape, letting the dough rest when needed. Each strip should be about 5 inches long.
16. Spray a baking sheet with nonstick cooking spray.
17. Twist one plain strip with a red strip, and curl the end to shape a candy cane.
18. Place on the baking sheet.
19. Whisk the extra egg in a small bowl.
20. Using a pastry brush, thoroughly coat each candy cane with the egg wash.
21. Bake for 10 minutes.
22. Cool completely on a wire rack.

Keep refrigerated for up to two weeks or Freeze for up to 6 months. Makes 20

<http://www.dogtreatkitchen.com/free-dog-treat-recipes.html>



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## **BREED OF THE MONTH** — Australian Cattle Dog

The Australian Cattle Dog, also known as a blue heeler or red heeler was specifically created by early ranchers in Australia who needed a dog capable of handling sheep and cattle in the wide open spaces of that country. The heeler in the name refers to the fact the dog is bred for his herding style of moving cattle along by nipping at their heels.

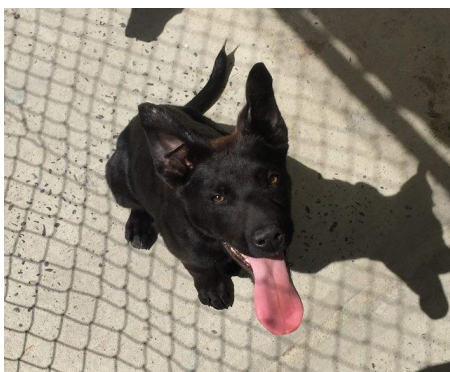
The modern breed of dog is a complex cross between the Smithfield, Blue merle collie, Dalmatian, Australian Kelpie and the Dingo! The Australian Cattle Dog is a very clever working dog with a superb temperament and intelligence, a very trainable combination!



They are mid-sized dogs who need to keep their minds and body's active and make great pets in active families. They are good working dogs but also feature in many of our sporting codes especially those which keep the mind active such as Rally-O, Obedience and Agility. Australian Cattle dogs have intense stamina and make great running or biking partners. They love nothing more than a good game of Frisbee or chasing a ball for hours.

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### **SPCA Dogs for adoption**



My Name is: **Reign**

Breed: **Labrador x**

Reign is a lovely, charismatic boy. He is a 4-month old Labrador X. He would love to go home to a nice, active family where he will be treated like royalty!

Reign will be desexed, micro-chipped and and treated for fleas and worms vaccinated before his adoption

<https://www.rotoruaspcas.org.nz/blog/763377>



A woman ran a red traffic light and crashed into a man's car. Both of their cars are demolished but amazingly neither of them was hurt.

After they crawled out of their cars, the woman said, "Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but fortunately we are unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace for the rest of our days."



The man replied, "I agree with you completely. This must be a sign from God!"

The woman continued, "And look at this, here's another miracle. My car is completely demolished, but my bottle of 75 year old scotch didn't break. Surely God meant for us to drink this vintage delicacy and celebrate our good fortune." Then she handed the bottle to the man.

The man nodded his head in agreement, opened it, drank half the bottle and then handed it back to the woman. The woman took the bottle, immediately put the cap back on, and handed it back to the man.

The man asks, "Aren't you having any?"

She replies, "Nah. I think I'll just wait for the police."

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## TEACHING YOUR DOG TO “SPEAK” ON COMMAND

Getting your dog to speak—to bark on command—is an easy thing to do, and can have many great advantages. It's definitely a trick worth teaching, since you can do lots of things with it, such as training your dog to bark at strangers, learning to count, or growling.



- a) Choose one simple word for the bark command. The word should be easy to remember and used consistently. Good choices include "speak," "bark," and "talk." You can make up your own word or short phrase, but make sure it doesn't sound too much like another cue word or your dog's name.
  - b) Once again, get your dog to bark naturally.
  - c) When your dog barks, say your cue word in a clear, upbeat voice.
  - d) Praise your dog and give him a treat or toy.
  - e) Repeat the speak command process several times until your dog seems to understand.
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## Dog Services Rotorua

I find I am often asked by our members for advice about a variety of dog related services, so last month I have approached some local companies to provide some information about the services they provide, and I will publish a group of these each newsletter. The information is self-reported from each company and in no way is RDOC making any judgement as to the quality of any service reported. We hope this will enable our members to have a picture of the services there are in our community for our dogs, and to make contact with these as desired. This month I have focused on boarding kennels and doggy day care services.

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### **BIMLERS KENNEL & CATTERY**

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Rotorua  
345 6133  
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Open daily 8 – 11am &  
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pets during their stay.

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inside the purpose built facility, and  
4-5hrs outside daily in one of the 10  
play yards. We cater for both small  
groups and individual dog exercise  
& play.

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view our friendly facilities, catering  
for all cats & dogs, even those with  
special requirements



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### **Kaharoa Kennels & Cattery**

137 Tauranga Direct Road,  
Hamurana, 3072  
New Zealand  
[07 3323737](tel:073323737)  
[www.kaharoa-kennels.co.nz](http://www.kaharoa-kennels.co.nz)

We have had Kaharoa Kennels for  
roughly 5 months, we took it on as  
we saw so much potential. We love  
how the dogs are exercised, the  
kennel setup and it was time for a  
change for us.

What sets Kaharoa Kennels apart  
from most other kennels is all the  
dogs get a supervised walk around  
about 2 acres of trees & paddocks  
twice a day for about an hour each  
time.



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### **Cameronian Pet Lodge**

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[www.cameronian-pet-lodge.co.nz](http://www.cameronian-pet-lodge.co.nz)

The first Kennels and Cattery to  
receive the Asurequal certificate for  
kennels and a cattery, which we still  
carry.

We are just south of Ngakuru on  
Whirinaki Rd  
We are experienced handlers of all  
sizes of dogs from tiny poodles to  
Leonbergers and bigger



#### **CAMERONIAN PET LODGE**

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### **Grange Spa Rotorua**

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[rotorua@grangespa.co.nz](mailto:rotorua@grangespa.co.nz)  
[www.grangespa.co.nz](http://www.grangespa.co.nz)

We are a doggy daycare facility with  
grooming, puppy classes and dog  
walking services that caters to large  
and small dogs, Monday-Friday.  
Qualified Vet Nurse on site.



<p><b>SAS - Saskias Animal Services</b> 0212537584</p> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/SAS-Saskias-Animal-Services-2309805945912143/">https://www.facebook.com/SAS-Saskias-Animal-Services-2309805945912143/</a></p>	<p>I have just started my own business which involves pet sitting, housesitting, dog walking, basic dog grooming and socialise dogs for their owners.</p>	
<p><b>Little Doggies Luxury Boarding Kennels and Cattery</b> 556 Dalbeth Rd, RD2, Ngongotaha, Rotorua 07 357 2050</p>	<p>Little Doggies Luxury Boarding Kennels and Cattery is located on the <b>outskirts of Rotorua</b>, in peaceful surroundings.</p> <p>Little Doggies offers a home away from home for your four legged family member that can't always be with you. We offer safe and secure pet accommodation with plenty of room to allow them to play, exercise and socialise.</p>	
<p><b>Pawshake</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.pawshake.co.nz/petsitters/rotorua-bop-3015">https://www.pawshake.co.nz/petsitters/rotorua-bop-3015</a></p>	<p>Pawshake is an app that allows users to search for and contact pet setters, home dog boarding, doggy daycare, dog minding and dog walking services.</p> <p>There are 6 current listings for home based dog services in Rotorua on Pawshake</p>	

An old drover walks into a barber shop in Black Stump Crossing, Northern Territory, for a shave and a haircut. He tells the barber he can't get all his whiskers off because his cheeks are wrinkled from age.

The barber gets a little wooden ball from a cup on the shelf and tells the old drover to put it inside his cheek to spread out the skin.

When he's finished, the old drover tells the barber that was the cleanest shave he'd had in years, but he wanted to know what would have happened if he had accidentally swallowed that little ball.

The barber replied, "Just bring it back in a couple of days like everyone else does.



## **SCHEDULE OF FEES**

Obedience and Agility Introductory Classes - \$100 (this includes free membership for the balance of the current financial year)

Membership renewal: \$70.00

Family Membership: \$95.00

Fees for all financial members attending classes each term is \$25.00

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