E-Newsletter - K9 CAPERS



Donation of Profit - First weekend of Dogs ACT undercover Champ Shows

At this time of devastation & bushfires, a decision has been made by the Dogs ACT Executive that any profit made from the three (3) under cover championship shows taking place on Sat 18 Jan (x1) & Sun 19 Jan (x2) will be donated to assist those dog people who have been affected by recent disastrous events. ALL profits from this weekend will be sent direct to the Dogs NSW RSNSWCC 'Health & Welfare Charity'. Dogs ACT has a wide dog family which lives in surrounding NSW & is part of our canine community. As such Dogs ACT believes it is better to give to our dog family at this time. We hope that our members will support this donation.

Dogs Victoria Bush Fire Relief Virtual Show

Dogs Victoria Management Committee has created a Virtual Dog Show fundraising initiative to provide much needed financial assistance to those members affected by the devastating bush fires across the country.

You can donate by entering the virtual show and/or electing to pledge an amount via Easy Dog Entries https://www.easydogentries.com/au/shows/enter/4614. You will need a log in to access this.

A commemorative souvenir catalogue will be produced & made available to all who enter/donate as a wonderful acknowledgment of your support. Please see the Show schedule for further details at https://www.easydogentries.com/au/shows/schedule/4614

Entries close 9pm on 26 January 2020.

As an alternative, if you would prefer to donate direct, Dogs Victoria has established a dedicated Bendigo Bank account to collect funds for all its member communities hit by fires so far. All proceeds will go directly to those most in need. Bank details are - Account Name: Victorian Canine Association | BSB: 633-000 | A/C: 136 271 210 | Ref: Donation/Fires

Dogs Vic thanks their members & dog community for their generous donations of goods thus far & they will ensure these are distributed & made available to their member community.

They ask their members requiring any form of support to email office@dogsvictoria.org.au quoting their name and membership number in the subject line.

Dogs Victoria would like to express its gratitude & all your kindness & support at this very distressing time.

News from the Executive

Following his leave of absence after the passing of his wife the President, Simon Mills, has now resumed his role as President of Dogs ACT.

Seeking donations from Members & Affiliates

Defibrillator

Dogs ACT are purchasing a defibrillator for the Dogs ACT meeting room to be available for all Members. The cost is approximately A\$2500 for this unit & we are seeking donations from Members and/or Affiliates who wish to assist in providing this vital piece of equipment.

Canopies/Marquees

Dogs ACT are looking to purchase four (4) large marquees which will be 3m x 6m & will carry the Dogs ACT logo & contact details. It is envisaged that these will be used at ANY Dogs ACT discipline event & not be limited to Pooch Affair, State Obedience or Agility Trials, Breed, Group or All Breeds championship shows. It is predicted that these can be used to ensure that Dogs ACT not only have a presence at all major Canberra events but that we will be seen & offer shade or shelter when required.

Anyone wishing to donate should contact the office at admin@dogsact.org.au – thank you!

Question to Affiliates & Members

Do you want to raise funds for your Club to put on bigger & better events? Have you thought about using catering as a tool to do that?

If you are a group of Members or an Affiliate who would like to cater at Dogs ACT events, please send an email to the office stating what you can offer & Dogs ACT staff will be in contact with you to discuss. Email is admin@dogsact.org.au

Thank You, Neil!

Dogs ACT has several supportive members who go above & beyond when there is a need. The Grounds Sub-Committee would like to give a special shout out & great THANK YOU to **Neil Thompson**. Neil has come to the Dogs ACT grounds & mowed this past couple of months while the President took a leave of absence & can always be called upon when a situation arises.

THANK YOU NEIL from all at Dogs ACT for stepping up selflessly!!!

Disciplines - Rules Reviews

There are several meetings in early January for Rules Reviews; if these are of interest please come along to the Dogs ACT Meeting Room for a **6.30pm** start.

Next week is the Rally-O Rules review meeting on Thursday 16th.

Conformation Judges Training Scheme 2020

The Conformation Judges Training Panel would like to advise they are calling for those interested parties who wish to start, continue or finish their conformation judging. Please make yourself aware of the documents to be found on the Dogs ACT website at http://dogsact.org.au/judges-training-scheme-conformation-2020/

Closing dates: 28Jan20 for trainees; 27Feb20 for aspirants & GSD aspirants.

Coming to Canberra - Your Health

On 1 January 2020, the ACT Health Directorate upgraded health advice to the community due to the deterioration of air quality across Canberra from the heavy smoke haze. Advice can be found on the ACT Health website. This advice is updated periodically by ACT Health.

Given the unprecedented extreme & highly unpredictable weather conditions we suggest that you review your safety, emergency response & WHS plans & consider how conditions may impact your own health as a result of these conditions.

All of our communication channels will post information relevant to all Dogs ACT events so please be aware that we have a website, facebook & a weekly newsletter (Dogs ACT App) to keep you informed.

Dogs ACT Office - Re-Opened

The Dogs ACT Office reopened this week on Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 9.30am and it was great to see so many members come into the office to get their transactions processed. The smoke wasn't too bad for those bringing their dogs & the office was very cheery with them coming to say hello!

Upcoming Events - Jan 2020

Sat 18Jan20 – Double Rally Evening Trials – Companion Dog Club Narrabundah
Sat 18JAN20 –Trick Dogs Trial & Dancing with Dogs Trial - Tuggeranong
Sat 18Jan20 – Dogs ACT – 1 Evening championship show
Sun 19Jan20 – Dogs ACT - 2 championship shows
Sun 26Jn20 – Dogs ACT - 2 championship shows
Mon 27Jan20 – Dogs ACT - 2 championship shows
Full details of all events are located on our website

Contact with the Office

Dogs ACT office is open Tue/Wed/Thu from 9.30am to 2.30pm; email admin@dogsact.org.au; telephone (02) 6241 4404; PO Box 815, Dickson ACT 2602.

Words from the Office

Camping at events – all camping is to be pre-paid & booked prior to arrival via the office. Please complete the form on our website, email it to the office who will take payment then return email to you with the details.

Camping is \$33.00 per night per site. A fee of an additional \$5.00 will be charged for anyone not booking prior to arrival.

NB: If you are considering camping over the 2 championship show weekends, please contact the office prior to your arrival; we are open from Tuesday 7th January 2020.