

Newsletter | July 2018



# Wellington Canine Obedience Club Inc



## Ribbon Trial

Each year we hold a ribbon trial which is open to competition by both our own and other obedience club members. We encourage all our members to enter as there are competitions to suit all levels - it's great experience and it's your opportunity to be critiqued by recognised judges. It's also inspiring to watch competing senior handlers and their dogs to see what can be achieved with hard work.

This year our Ribbon trial will be held on Saturday 8 September. [Click here for more information.](#)

An information evening to explain competition rules will be held Wednesday 1 August at 7.30pm.



## Raffle Donations



To help fund the cost of our Ribbon Trial (see above) we will be holding a raffle. It would be very much appreciated if club members could donate a small dog related item for the raffle (eg. treats, food, toy, lead, etc).

Raffle sales will commence shortly and it will be drawn on 8 September. You won't need to be present to win.



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## Course Schedules & Grading

Good luck to all those who will be undergoing grading assessment on Sunday 15 July. If you can't make it let us know and we can arrange grading at an alternative date/time.

Our next term will start on Sunday 22 July. To make it less hectic on our registration desk, and so we have a good idea of numbers in advance, we encourage you to re-register online - even if you note it is subject to a pass.

Class times/instructors next term will be:

Puppies: 10am with Mike Martyn

Grade 1 small: 10am with Sandy Baigent

Grade 1 large: 10am with Gail Norling

Grade 2 small: 11am with Nicky Casey

Grade 2 large: 11am with Margaret Harrop

Grade 3/4: 10am with Nicky Casey

Grade 5+: 9am with Gail Norling \*

*\* As our senior class is experiencing record numbers and if 9am is too early for you (!) grade 5+ may request to join our 10am grade 3/4 class with Nicky. Appropriate exercises to your grade will be given. We may again offer a 3rd grade 1 class if registration numbers require it.*



## Suggestions

Hopefully you have noticed some of our recent improvements - a new external club house sign, tree clearing and new retaining wall.

If you have suggestions of further changes you'd like to see feel free to have a chat to a committee member who can raise it on your behalf at our next committee meeting. The easiest committee members to identify are probably those who are also trainers - Margaret, Gail, Sandy & Nicky. [Alternatively, click here to email us.](#)

Remaining committee meeting dates for 2018 are:

13 July  
19 August  
16 September  
21 October  
18 November  
16 December



## Kennel Cough

Kennel cough is doing the rounds at present but is preventable through provision of [the Nobivac vaccine](#).

[Click here to learn more about kennel cough symptoms.](#)

Please don't bring your dog to training if it has kennel cough until recovered.

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## Constitution Review

It has been 10 years since our constitution was last reviewed and it is on our agenda to do so again this year with any changes to be presented to and agreed by members at our Annual General Meeting in 2019.

[Click here to view our current constitution](#) and [email us](#) with any suggestions for change.

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