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## Dogmatic - Newsletter of Hawke's Bay Dog Training Club Inc.

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### Greetings,

Well we're almost at the end of what can only be described as an extraordinary year. It started off as expected and then, as you're all well aware, March brought us a very nasty surprise in the form of the Covid-19 microbe. Everything including club activities screeched to a halt - all the planning for the year went out the window and much has gone by the by - including our Jumpers Champ show in April. Fortunately, health wise we were all mostly unaffected and by late June we were getting back on track.

We were able to attend agility shows in July and August and run the Scentwork Trial (page 2) in August and then we weren't able to hold events until late September - which meant the Agility Ribbon Trial was cancelled but changes occurred again just in time to run our annual Obedience Show (see Dionne's report (page 4).

Unfortunately, the New Zealand Dog Agility Championship (NZDAC) show due to take place at the Regional Sports Park over Labour weekend was cancelled and so we hurriedly organised a Flygility tournament. NZDAC has been re-scheduled for Labour Weekend 2021 (fingers crossed). Our final show for the year was the Agility Champ held at Farndon park just a couple of weekends ago which went well and we managed to include two additional Award achieving events. All went well thanks to great team work, so thanks to all the agility members, to Wendy and Dionne for helping out and to all those lovely people from other clubs that Dee managed to twist the arms of to help. Well done all.

In amongst all the ups and downs, we have managed to have some great training sessions with many beginners some of whom have joined the club (welcome) and some great competition results (pages 10 & 11). Results are also posted on our Facebook page.

We also had a very interesting talk provided by Helen the Physio (Helen Robartes) in November. **Thank you Helen.**

So Christmas is upon us - club break-up will be on Wednesday 16th December - try to come along with your dog(s) - we do have lots of fun and see you in 2021 - let's hope that next year will be boringly normal!!!

**Cheers - Jackie**

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### Club Dates 2020/21

**AGM**  
**28 July 2020**

**Term Dates**  
As term dates for Agility and Obedience may differ, they are now provided in their respective sections.

**Xmas break-up**  
**16 December 2020**

Dogmatic is also posted on our website -  
[www.hbdogtrainingclub.co.nz](http://www.hbdogtrainingclub.co.nz).



### Newsletter Editor

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## Scent Work Report

Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> of August turned out beautiful weather for us in the Bay. Perfect for our first Scent Work Trial.

Originally, we were going to be holding it at Unison Depot, but with Covid they weren't to sure about our numbers so we changed to the racecourse.

I was really nervous to begin with, worrying about things that we may have missed, but once we got started it seemed to go well. I couldn't tell as I was stewarding with the judge so you don't know what else is happening around you.

The indoors was held in the clubrooms then around the corner to the containers.

There was a great number of items brought for the outdoor search and we had a lovely big area at the opposite end for that. Then around the building for the vehicle search.

While all the points were being added up, we had lunch then we had a container challenge to pass the time. We had 50 containers in a row and two containers had a clove scent. The timer stopped when the dogs had found both scents in the containers. A few people said their dogs would not find two scents one after the other but they gave it a go and I think they were surprised. Even the judge had a go. It helped pass the time and by then we were ready for prize-giving.

Dionne had a massive job to do adding up all the times and then double checking to make sure things were right. So a huge "**Thank You**" to Dionne, Wendy and everybody else who helped out on the day. It was really appreciated.

Thank You All.

Tracy Peterson	Fastest time on vehicle	
Jonna Gibson	Fastest Exterior search	
Sandra Dunseath	Passed Novice	
Essam Girgis	Passed Novice	
Wendy Austin	Passed Novice	Fastest Interior

Wendy also had the fastest time in the container Challenge.

Well done to you all. And THANK YOU all for your help

**Maria**

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## ScentWork Trial 30th August 2020

### ScentWork Co-ordinator

**Maria Noanoa**

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[offtheleashdogcartoons.com](http://offtheleashdogcartoons.com)

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## Agility Report

We are still running one combined class at 6 pm on Tuesdays with a foundation class earlier on Tuesday nights. Thanks to Sharon for being a great instructor for the main training group.

Please remember to let me know if you won't be coming to class, as the number of people attending affects what training exercises we set up. I can be contacted on 027 223 3539 or [rfargherk9s@gmail.com](mailto:rfargherk9s@gmail.com). I am unlikely to see any message sent after 4.45 pm.

Now that shows have started again our members are enjoying some great results.

The varying levels of lockdown meant that the Ribbon Trial we hold at Napier DTC grounds in September did not happen. However, we ran a great show at Clive in November. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a great show.

Hopefully 2021 will be more settled with no lockdowns. Club members have been competing regularly since September with some great results.

Dates for our 2021 shows in the panel to the right - do put them in your diaries now.

Club breakup is on 16th December. We hope to see everyone there.

**Robyn**  
**Agility Co-ordinator**

## Our Agility Events

### 24/25 April 2021

Championship Jumpers Event  
In conjunction with Napier DTC  
Venue: Napier DTC Grounds  
Meanee

### 4/5 September 2021

Agility Ribbon Trial  
In conjunction with Napier DTC  
Venue: Napier DTC Grounds  
Meanee

### 20/21 November 2021

Championship Agility Event  
Farndon Park Domain  
Clive

## Other Agility

### 22 / 25 October 2021

NZ Dog Agility Champs  
Venue: Hawke's Bay Regional  
Sports Park

## Agility Co-ordinator & Show Secretary

**Robyn Fargher**  
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## Agility Terms

**2020 Terms - revised**  
4 - 27 Oct - 15 Dec

**Rumbles Cup - TBA**

### 2021 Terms

1 - 12 Jan - 30 Mar  
2 - 20 Apr - 29 Jun  
3 - 27 Jul - 5 Oct  
4 - 26 Oct - 14 Dec

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## Obedience Report

Wow another term has just flown by.

It is great to be able to be teaching people who are eager to learn and are training their puppies/dogs to become great members of their family,

Many handlers don't realise that repetition is the key word in most behaviour. Some dogs take longer than other dogs so never compare. They can get it today but by tomorrow they have forgotten so we just start again. Repeat and be consistent. It can be very frustrating but if you are calm and steady on track and be regimented with your training it will pay off. We have to remind ourselves that your dog is doing this for you because you are asking it to.

Your dog has the amazing ability to sense when something is not quite right with you, such as if you are tired, angry or upset over something. If you are not in a calm state of mind this transmits straight to your dog and it won't respond to you as well. It is very easy to blame your dog but it won't be their fault. Think calm, positive, relaxed and confident when training.

We held our Triple Obedience Championship Show on the 27 and 28 September. This was another trying time with us still having the Covid regulations hanging over our head. We ended up being so lucky as the rules were lifted for us less than 6 days before the event.

I can't thank our club members enough who gave up their valuable time to help us over the weekend. I really appreciate everyone that was there. The ladies did an absolute awesome job in the kitchen with such short notice and planning. The food donated for the kitchen was gladly received as were the donated goods for our raffle. A big shout-out and thanks to all our wonderful sponsors of our lovely ribbons, Ezy leash and the great products from Hearty Paws with their amazing dog food.

Don't forget our Christmas break up on the December 16th. It is a fun night of games and treats for the dogs, but who knows what games we will get to play with our dogs this year.

Our raffle is available at \$2.00 a ticket or 3 for \$5.00, great prizes just perfect for Christmas. Ask either myself or Wendy about this is one of the ways you can help and do your bit when it comes to fund raising for the club.

Take Care  
**Dionne**

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## Our Obedience Event

**25/26 September 2021**

Championship Obedience Test

Venue: Napier DTC  
Sandy Road Meeanee

### Obedience Co-ordinator

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**Wendy Austin**

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### Obedience Test Secretary

**Dionne Robinson**

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## Obedience Terms

**2020 Terms - revised**

4 - 14 Oct - 2 Dec

**2021 Terms**

1 - 10 Feb - 14 Apr

2 - 5 May - 30 Jun

3 - 28 Jul - 22 Sep

4 - To be confirmed

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## Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Report

The end of the year is in sight again, it seems to have come around at great speed this year.

It has been a trying few months for the CGC Class, Wednesday seems to be the day the rain comes.

We had a very enjoyable class with the Foundation/Bronze group in the toilet block hiding from the thunderstorm last week, the dogs took comfort from each other to cope noise. Quite amazing what you can do in a small space!

We have an assessment coming up next year on April 10th and 11<sup>th</sup> so lots to work for.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

### Chrissy

CGC Co-ordinator

## Rally-O Report

RallyO is a sport where you are working for qualifying certificates rather than a first past the post system. It is about having fun with your dog, and it is a great way to build your bond with your dog.

Covid disrupted plans for our yearly competition in May and a small limited trial later in the year. We hope to get back to normal next year.

We continue to have a large number of dogs competing in the monthly RallyO link competitions with some great results for the year. The monthly competition is on the first Monday of the month, and training on the third Monday of the month. The training has been disrupted by the weather and my poor health but the classes on the third Monday of the month are back in action. It was great to have some beginners join us. Feel free to come along and have a look to see what is involved. Email me at [rfargherk9s@gmail.com](mailto:rfargherk9s@gmail.com) if you wish to be added to our rallyO email list.

Club breakup is on 16th December. We hope to see everyone there.

### Robyn

## Canine Good Citizen Assessment

10 / 11 April 2021

Venue - HB Racecourse

## Canine Good Citizen Co-ordinator

Chrissy Harris

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## RallyO Events -

For details of events - please contact Robyn for information

## RallyO Co-ordinator

Robyn Fargher

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## Flygility Report

Well the most exciting dog sport flygility continues to offer lots of pleasure to both handlers and their dogs.

We had a great show over the Labour Weekend - numbers were a bit down but there was a championship benefit show being run by Zone 2 (our zone) too which drew a considerable number of folk away from the fly (silly people). Lots of fun and dogs flying (excuse the pun) up and down and really enjoying themselves.

As ever we continue with our training on the 4th Monday of the month and the National Link competition on the 2nd Monday of the month. If your dog loves to chase a ball this is a sport you may wish to investigate. Come along and have a look see either night - check with me first in case we've rescheduled for weather or other unknown.

**Jackie**

## Flygility Event

Tukituki Flyers

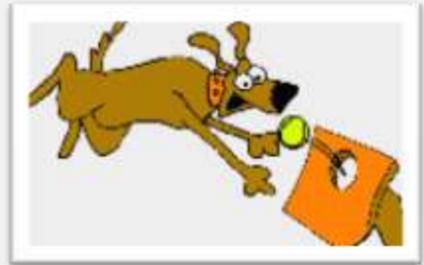
**To be advised**

Check the NZFDA website for nationwide events  
[www.flygility.org.nz](http://www.flygility.org.nz)

## Flygility Co-ordinator

**Jackie Olley**

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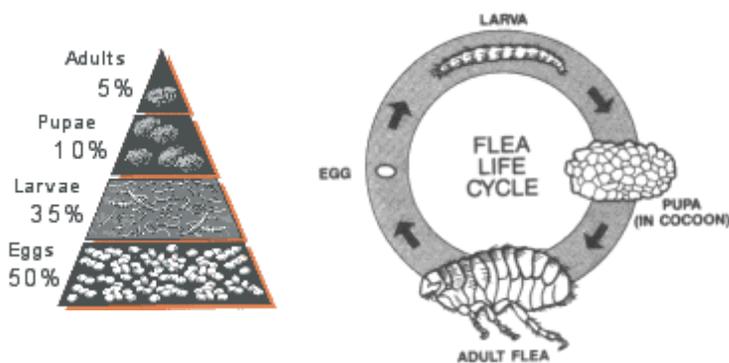
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# Vet Report-Nicky Chadwick (Animal Care 2002 Ltd)

## FLEAS – THE SURVIVORS!

As the weather is getting warmer, flea numbers start to rapidly increase. Take a moment to check out these flea facts which explain why fleas have been around for 100 million years, about the same time as the Tyrannosaurus Rex. To start with though, we must understand the flea lifecycle which resembles that of a butterfly.



- i) Female fleas lay eggs which drop off your pet and land in your environment.
- ii) Eggs then hatch after a variable period into larvae.
- iii) The larvae develop into pupae and settle inside a cocoon.
- iv) They then wait for a host (our dog for example) which is detected by warmth, vibration, and movement. They then rapidly unzip the pupae and jump on to start feeding on the animal's blood, to complete the cycle.

This cycle takes between 2 weeks and 8 months to complete. This is dependent on the climate – being much quicker in warmer temperatures such as our NZ Spring and

Summer. In the average household however, it can only take around 3-4 weeks all year around to complete, especially with household heating in the winter. Five percent of the flea population may be found as adults on your pet; however this means that the remainder of the life cycle (95%) is happening in your house e.g. in the carpets, under beds, in your dog kennel, or in the garden in warm weather!

## FLEA FACTS



- o A flea can survive without a meal for over 100 days
- o A female flea can start laying eggs within 36-48 hours of having a blood feed
- o A female flea can lay up to 2000 eggs within her life span
- o A female flea can lay up to 50 eggs per day which can lay dormant for up to 6 months or become adult fleas within as little as 2 weeks. If your dog has just 5 fleas this means they can lay 3,500 eggs in 2 weeks – then they start to hatch!!
- o A flea can hatch from the pupae and jump onto the dog within 3 seconds
- o A flea can jump as high as 1.25 metres – up to 150 times their own height which compares with us doing a 330-metre-long jump!
- o A flea consumes over 15 times her body weight daily in blood.
- o A flea can bite up to 400 times per day meaning if your dog has 10 fleas, they may be bitten 4000 times per day.

## TREATMENT

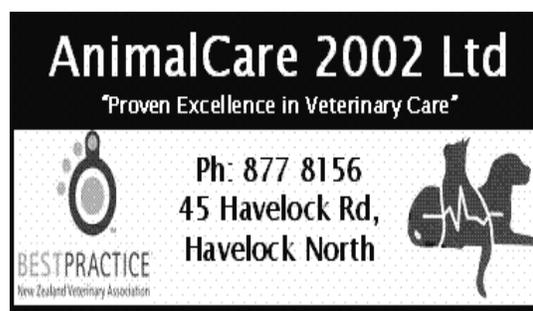
After reading these facts we must realise it is better to prevent flea infestations than to treat them as once adults are seen, you already have a significant flea burden in your environment and on your pet. Eggs cannot be seen on the coat of your pet as they are very tiny and drop off into the surrounding environment. We can often see tiny black specks throughout your animal's coat which are flea faeces – basically just dried blood. Symptoms that your pet has fleas will vary between individuals. Some animals may only give the occasional scratch where others are driven mad with intense itching from an allergy to the flea saliva – these animals may cause excessive damage to their coat and skin from constant licking, biting and scratching.

Fortunately, there are now many effective and safe flea products available from your

vet, that can attack the flea life cycle at different stages. Beware of some cheaper products as they can contain fewer effective ingredients with limited duration of action. There are a variety of different flea products available, ranging from topical applications on the back of your pet to oral palatable products. This market is increasing all the time. These products also

have a varying length of duration from 4 weeks to 6 months. All the flea products from your vet have been vigorously tested to ensure they are both safe and effective. Please discuss with your vet the best product to suit you pet.

## Nicky Chadwick



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# AWARDS PAGE

Congratulations everyone

## Puppy Certificates

Brice Cameron with Gus

Mark Cairns with Thor

Nichola Morgan with Frank

Lucy Mador with Oscar

Jo Hamilton with Jabali

## Domestic One Certificates

Linda Quinn and Max

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# RESULTS

3rd August to 30th November 2020

## AGILITY RESULTS

### Chrissy Harris & Lace

Upper Hutt - Champ - September

Gamblers C - 500s - 3rd

### Feilding - Jumpers - October

JA2 - 500s - 4th

JA5 - 500s - 5th

### CHB - Champ - October

Intermediate 2 - 500s - 1st

Senior 2 - 500s - 5th

### DAWG - Champ - November

Senior 2 - Unsplit - 5th

### HBDC - Champ - November

ADXA - clear round

### EBOP - Jumpers - November

JA1 - 500s - 3rd

Jumpers Pairs - Unsplit - 4th

### Chrissy Harris & Betty

Upper Hutt - Champ - September

Starters 1 - Unsplit - 4th

### Feilding - Jumpers - October

JB6 - 500s - 3rd

### CHB - Champ - October

Novice 2 - 500s - 1st

### Huntly - Champ - November

Starters 3 - 500s - 1st

### DAWG - Champ - November

Novice 2 - 500s - 3rd

### EBOP - Jumpers - November

JB1 - Unsplit - 1st

### Jackie Olley & Che

Feilding - Jumpers - October

JA5 - 600s - 5th

### EBOP - Champ - November

Gamblers C - 600s - 2nd

## AGILITY RESULTS

### John Carbin & Lyric

Upper Hutt - Champ - September

JC2 - 500s - 3rd

J C1 - 500s - 5th

### CHB - Champ - September

Starters 2 - 500 - 4th

### John Carbin & Lusi

Upper Hutt - Champ - September

Novice 2 - 500s - 4th

### Feilding - Champ - October

JB2 - 500s - 3rd

JB4 - 500s - 5th

### CHB - Champ - October

JB2 - 500s - 3rd

JB1 - 500s - 4th

### HBDC - Champ - November

JB2 - 500s - 3rd

JB1 - 500s - 4th

### Dee Ockey & Lucy

Upper Hutt - Champ - September

Senior 2 - Small - 4th

ADXA - clear round

### Central HB - Champ - October

Senior 1 - Small - 2nd

JA1 - Small - 2nd C

### Zone 2 Benefit Show - Champ - October

JA2 - Small - 5th

### HBDC - Champ - November

JA1 - Small - 3rd

JA2 - Small - 1st C

### EBOP - Champ - November

JA2 - Small - 3rd

## AGILITY RESULTS

### Jacky Carbin & Soda

Upper Hutt - Champ - September

Intermediate 2 - 600s - 4th

Snooker C - 600s - 5th - Q

### Feilding - Champ - October

JB3 - 600s - 4th

### HBDC - Champ - November

JB2 - 600s - 4th

Senior 3 - 600s - 5th

### Jacky Carbin & Luna

EBOP - Ribbon - November

Elementary A - Unsplit - 2nd

### Jackie Olley & Frankie

EBOP - Jumpers - November

JC3 - 600s - 5th

### Robyn Fargher & Wyn

Zone 2 Benefit Show - Champ - October

JB2 - Small - 2nd

### Central HB - Champ - October

JB1 - Small - 4th

## AGILITY AWARDS

### John Carbin & Lusi - JDG

(70 Clear round certificates in Jumpers B) - 11th October

### Jacky Carbin & Soda - JDG

(70 Clear round certificates in Jumpers B) - 29th November

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## RESULTS - cont.

### SCENTWORK

Dionne Robinson & Indie

**Horowhenua Dog Training Club** Held at Otaki Health Camp - August

Passed Novice Level

**Kenson K9 Solutions Ltd**

Held at Shannon School - October

Passed Intermediate Level

**K9Kitea Scent/Hybrid Training**

Held at Ruakura Research Centre Hamilton - November

**Saturday**

Passed Intermediate Level

Fastest Vehicle Search

Fastest Exterior Search

Judges Award

**Sunday**

Passed Intermediate Level

Fastest Vehicle Search

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# IMPORTANT NOTICES

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

Racecourse Management has asked me to remind our members about how their health and safety requirements affect our Club.

The racecourse is a work place so there are potential hazards to be aware of namely tractors, vehicles and racehorses. Because of this the Management have asked that we observe the following rules

- **NO dogs or people** on the course or in the Grandstand before 11am - as this is the time when there are horses in training.
- **All dogs** on leads 11am to 5pm because there are people and tractors working during these hours.

The Management has no problem with Club members exercising their dogs off lead after 5pm before class but asks for consideration if there are tractors working - no one wants dogs or people injured.

**Always pick up after your dogs and don't forget to take it away with you we don't have a bin service!**

We are lucky to have this area to exercise our dogs - please respect it.

## AGILITY NOTICES

### EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING

Just a reminder to everyone to make sure you assist with getting the agility equipment out and putting in away. Best way to ensure you do remember is to arrive for your class 15 minutes before it's due to start i.e. 5 pm for 5.15pm for Foundation; and so on. And though we all want to get home - just check before you leave what needs to be put away or moved.

### GEAR BOOK

So we can keep track of the gear, there is a Gear Book hanging up on the notice board, it must be completed by any **Agility** member who wishes to borrow equipment. **Maximum loan time - two weeks.** It must be dated, have the name of person borrowing the equipment, the equipment borrowed, signed by borrower and countersigned by a committee member or instructor. Note on occasion it may not be possible to borrow gear as it may be required by us or another club - please don't be offended if your request is refused.



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