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EDITORIAL

by Karen de Wit

Have been down to the South Island twice within the last few weeks, to judge agility.

It has been enjoyable meeting a lot of new people and their dogs, many of whom I know only by their names on a Link results sheet. There are certainly many differences between North and South Island shows, but at them all is the same sense of enjoyment at running the dogs.

Am going to the Queens Birthday shows at Nelson/Blenheim, this time to compete and then back to Christchurch for the Waimak indoor show which I am looking forward to. There is nothing like the atmosphere at an indoor venue, and this one got so many good reports last year that I am really looking forward to being a part of that experience.



Thanks to Lisa for this picture of an awesome Beardie—Diana O'kane dog Echo at Otago show! Just floating thru the weaves.

Top: Otago dogs can jump cars— or at least Kay J can! WOW!!

(More photos from Lisa later in this magazine.



~ NALA REPORTS ~

Top 'Arf report – by Ann Kenny

Well, they've let me out. I'm back from "maternity" leave, stir crazy and with a healthy dose of cabin fever, but I'm back. Firstly, apologies to Brittany – Sheeran Johnston's granddaughter who runs Laddie so well. Nigel referred to her as Hayley in the last report – and I confess I put him wrong on that one.

There was an Elementary Ribbon Trial at Norwest on the 12th April, which I didn't attend, and forgot to ask anyone else to report on, so sorry NorWest. However, I hear it was well attended by newer members and a great success.

The only show to really report on for this month was WAG, just last weekend.

Because Anzac Day was on the Friday, WAG had the flexibility to hold the AD and ADX Advanced courses as well as Jumpers and a game before the real show started on Saturday. This was an excellent idea. Because we started at 1pm, it meant that those traveling from the other side of major mountain ranges had only to travel in the morning instead of the night before. However, I think the prize for furthest traveled would have to go to Jo Bolten from Wellington and her friends from Christchurch putting the Kerikeri/Whangarei folks to shame!

The most notable event for the Friday, apart from the fun had doing both the Jumpers and the Gamblers courses, where people have a tendency to swap dogs around a bit and try out new handling techniques with different dogs, both Alan and Elaine Rohde got their final ADX Advanced course to make up Kiss and Flare. They both got well and truly drenched. Alan got his wish of making Kiss up before Elaine – by about ½ an hour. They would have to be the first husband and wife team to make their dogs up on the same day – even on the same course!!

Having had three months off from Agility Taragh was jumping out of her skin. However, despite that she did manage her first clear in AD on her first attempt and lulled me into a false sense of security for the remainder of the weekend, managing only one more clear round on her final run gaining a third place. As she was second dog in with a very creditable time, Geoff Gillies who won with Cindy, and Tarah Hunt with Asta(?) must've done some blinding runs, although sadly I didn't get to see them. Poor Taragh (mine) suffered from SATH for the most part though, especially where I had walked one of Fiona's Intermediate courses wrong at the end and was so worried about the getting that bit right, that I didn't manage to remember the start – such a pity as Taragh might have actually got clear. Then again she might not have, but at least she'd have got further than Obstacle 4!

A number of people said over the weekend how much they enjoyed the courses. I thought so too. As Taragh won out of Starters in January at Tokoroa 4 ½ weeks pregnant, it was my first shot at an Intermediate course since I last ran Gemma around – which might be about 4 or 5 years ago now. (Of course my memory proved that I too have got older and moved on since then). I remember then that I was always worried about Novice courses being more like Intermediate courses, and Intermediate courses

being harder sometimes than Senior courses. However, there were no such comments this weekend. Everyone I spoke to seemed to feel that the courses were pretty darn good for the level they were aimed at, as did I. Maybe we are all just training better nowadays and that the courses have always been good. Whatever the reason, I enjoyed running my 3 Intermediates, long may that continue.

Zone 2 people continued to do well at WAG as they always do – of particular note was Fiona Goodall with both Hollie and Promise. I watched some of Promise's runs and she sure is showing promise. Being in the geographical location it is, WAG is a bit of a Mecca for agiliteers and entry numbers are always huge. They're getting pretty close to splitting Senior now, with entries into the 90s almost every time Senior is run. WAG is still one of the biggest clubs in the country, but perhaps not as big as you might imagine. However, they always put on an excellent and efficient show.

The funniest thing I saw happening though was to poor Bev Winn. She's got her new adopted dog Joe running quite nicely now, and even that ugly butterfly chasing pig dog of hers Con is getting fast enough for the odd clear round – and even managed a ribbon. Evidently the big tough Con likes to chase butterflies, and more recently has graduated to pouncing on mice in the long grass (from above, the way a cat will). However, it became apparent he hasn't forgotten about butterflies altogether and this got him into a spot of bother just as we were packing up on Sunday. He was chasing one while out walking near the skateboarding area and managed to fall into the big bowl. He couldn't get out, poor soul.

We had to come to the rescue with a tow rope. The rope wasn't quite long enough to reach Con, let alone tie it around him, and anyway, as it had been raining the sides were slippery, so no one was too keen to get down there with him. Now if Con was really as rough and tough as his looks he might have grabbed that rope and we could have had a lovely game of tug and hauled him up. But no, NOT Con. Con doesn't do tug. Con agrees that you may have the toy, he'll stick to butterflies. So we voted on who was going to slide down there with him. It fell to Bev as she weighed the least so down she went. She pushed and we pulled and thankfully Con came up rather easily in the end. Ugly he might be, but we all kinda like the poor dog.

Central Report - by Mel Mankelow

Well firstly I would like to thank Mel Held for all the hard work she has put in with her reports over the last few years, which I'm sure everyone enjoyed reading as much as I did. I have a tough act to follow so I will try and make my reports as enjoyable as Mel's we at least have the name in common so that's a good start. I will also be on Mel's case to sort out Billie's contacts so be warned Mel as I am now on your contact case.

Rotorua Champ 5th & 6th April

Well my first show as the new rep, it all started a bit chilly but soon warmed up during the day, and the rain stayed away which was great. We had some really good results with Ian Walker with his Lyinka Betws-y-coed winning Starters 1 just beating my little Indi by a fraction of a second. Also Fiona Goodall getting placings in all the Starters with Promise. And what about Jan and J J Cricket managing to pick up 2 challenges what a team they are. Also congratulations to Kathryn and Chaplin, Paula and Mcleod, Deb and

Pleze and Chelsea with her best boy Ike being the only one of her dogs placed in Senior 1 and I believe his first Senior run.

And the EBOP President Bush taking a 1st in Intermediate with Ohce and his First Lady managing a 7th place in Senior with Bindi.

I must also mention that Mel Held ran before me in Novice and managed not once but twice to bounce the ramp off the cross over t- hat dog of hers can sure move.

EBOP Champ 19th & 20th April

Our first Champ Show- Months and weeks of planning ready to be put to the test, Show Manager, Ring Managers support staff all sorted everyone ready to meet at 9.30am on the Friday to set things up. There we all are ready and waiting to get started, hang on a minute where is the Show Manager ?? 10.30 am comes and she still isn't there, good start this is we all think but Una's on the case, rings marked out ropes up going great guns. In waltz's Tina at 11.30am when we are nearly all done, we are sure she was just parked round the corner watching till all the work was done.

Things went really well with our small club all pulling together to ensure the 4 rings ran smoothly, with the next courses up and ready for walking with plenty of time. There we were all finished by 3pm Sat – Dash for Cash anyone says President Bush –106 entries later we were all off home by 5.30pm with Chelsea taking 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th.

Highlights from Sat runs would be our very own Petra Parkinson winning the first Starters with Bode and following it up with a Second in Starters 2. Intermediate dog now so lots of practice on those contacts. Also Gail Francis with Mistori Mistaken Identity winning Starters 2, Sue Willis with Quest a win in Novice 1B Fiona Goodall picking up some good placings with Hollie and Promise, Michelle Burggraf taking out the 1st Senior with Ali. Bronwyn & Lazer 4th in Novice, Una Forrester 4th in Intermediate 2b with Kwali and TFL 7th with Bindi.

Sunday went off well with everything running smoothly, great atmosphere lots of locals down to watch again. The highlight of the day and the show being Jan Murden and J J Cricket winning Senior 2 making her an Agility Champion. A good drenching followed at prize giving with Jason then picking Jan up to run off to the river with her kicking and screaming – she told me later she enjoyed that bit the best. Well done Jan and well deserved as J J is such a cool little dog with lots more challenges to follow. Some more good placings from Deb Mcfarlane & Pleze a well deserved 3rd in Senior also Kathryn Martin and Chaplin in the placings again. Gail Francis and Mystori Mistaken Identity taking Top Starters Dog, Ann Proctor and Silke joint Top Novice Dog and Chelsea and Quest coming runner up in Top Intermediate and Senior Dog. With Petra Parkinson and Bode winning the Top EBOP dog. The show turned out to be a huge success for our little club which everyone enjoyed so YAY YAY Eastern Bay.

WAG Champ 25th 26th & 27th April

We all arrived Friday lunchtime all looking forward to a 3day show. We started off with the AD and ADX, so congratulations to all of you that managed the courses, which I may add I didn't I suppose that may be because I realized I had strapped Bailey's wrong leg as I started running the course. O dear the weekend could only get better. Have to say well done to show manager Mitchell who completed ADX to make Robbie up to ADX Gold first one for our club I think so well done, also President Bush for gaining ADX with little Ohce. The Gamblers was great thought I

would try it instead of Jumpers and was very pleased with my choice I even did quite well with 57 points but was won by Ross McBeth with Ice on 61 points. Then back we were Sat still no rain lots of great results Jason and his young dog Breeze ran a great Novice and managed 3rd place not bad for her first clear round in her second show. And Fiona Goodall in the results again I did tell her she should give up obedience now she is doing great in Agility well done. Chelsea and Ike with 2 challenge's this weekend and what fantastic runs they were he is slowly taking over all those females. Deb Jackson had a lovely run with Cheeky in Novice and Intermediate she is looking good. And another good few runs from Deb and Pleze must have been the sleep in bed Pleze had on Sat morning she will have to do it more often ha ha. Novice 2A was won by Christine Gabb and Tehlulah with Justine Dale and little Pippi coming in second well done to you both. And from the President Bush a lovely 2nd in the last Senior with Ruby well deserved and she had great contacts must be all that training. And Petra Parkinson with a Starters win in her last Starters run well done. And I even managed a 3rd with Indi Sunday took me all weekend to get my act together. Looking forward to Napier this weekend so I can be on Mel's case about her contacts.



Congratulations Jan Murden and JJ Cricket,
AGILITY CHAMPION!



Lower North Report - by Peter de Wit

In the last couple of months I have judged competitions in from up north, down south and here in the capital. As I waited, and waited and waited at Dunedin airport, for a plane to take me home from the latest event (thanks to a broken plane and Auckland fog), I wondered to myself, how much does agility vary in different areas around the country.

We are a country with 4 million people, with 50% of them in the upper north. So its obvious that there will be more competitors there. At championship competitions, in senior, this can vary from 20 all the way up to 100 at the moment. Novice varies from 50 odd to over 150! This creates completely different challenges for the organisers of the events.

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Large numbers of entries take up a lot of time, more rings are required, and events must run simultaneously, more people are required to run the competition, bigger grounds are required, events must be split, and more judges are required. But once you have set-up a ring and it starts, things run smoothly (normally) for two to three hours. There are plenty of people to help out, if asked, and large entries provide the funds to spend on the event making it easier to run. Competitors get good breaks between their runs in an event, but might have to walk two courses at the same time.

Smaller competitor numbers at competitions allow for rings to be run separately, enabling people to watch the “other classes”, and help out when they are not competing. It is not always a full days commitment as people can come later in the morning as their event is not on first and/or leave early at the end. On the down side, there is always another course to build. In fact sometimes it seems more time is spent building courses than competing. People with multiple dogs may have little time to catch their breath between runs, funds to run the events are tight and with fewer people to help out, the organisers must be absolutely knackers by the end of the day.

As a comparison, I went to an agility event in the England two years ago, where there were 12 rings running at the same time. Yes that’s big. All the equipment was hired. Only one event was held in each ring. When it finished the equipment company could be seen taking the ring down, cleaning the equipment and stowing it away. But, then there are about 50 million people in England. That’s 12 times as many as us here in NZ. Does that make the event 12 times as better and enjoyable?

As usual, it’s a swings and round-about thing. Is bigger better, definitely not! But neither is smaller better they are just different. The main thing is that people are out there competing and that agility is accessible to everyone wherever they live.

Last weekend was the Wairarapa clubs competition, held at the A&P show grounds just north of Carterton. What a great weekend, I can certain recommend going to this competition. Plenty of room to run the dogs in the paddocks, on site camping for those with camper vans, and nice flat grass for running on. The club achieved that wonderful balance where everything runs easily and quickly.

That northern raider Jan Murden was present and she and JJ took out the Top Dog trophy for the weekend. I judged starters and used the same course that I had used 2 weeks earlier in Dunedin. The course was wide and a nimble quick dog was always going to win. On both occasions 1st place was taken by a mini! In Dunedin it was Hope the Jack Russel Terrier run by Mandy and in Carterton it was Gyver the Border terrier run by Toni from New Plymouth.

Enjoy the winter season, training in the cold and rain. I just love it.

Mainland Report - by Patrick D Dogg

Well? Who/what to write about this month?? The month of Grapril does see a big harvest of those little fruits (I am not talking about gay dwarfs) which will be turned in to that lovely thirst quenching alcoholic drink.

The Agility Yahoo list has sure been quiet now the response forms have been sent off to the Agility committee, however one of the highlight messages for Patt in the last month was the posting from the obedience list regarding the potential boycotting of the Dunedin NDTA because..... Wait for it..... They would have to compete OUTDOORS!!!!? I can only assume someone was concerned about being cold down in the deepish South Island. And I can understand, the walk an obedience handler is required to perform when doing heel work would not really suit large thermal underwear I can only imagine the discomfort the underwear would cause between the nooks and crannies? Brings a whole new meaning to "obedience ring"? Happy place, happy place, happy place.

Right time for some Agility stuff, a few competitions were on, that is the new word to use now I understand, not "Shows" which makes a heck of a lot of sense as I guess we don't show our dogs.

Well most of us don't, Patt did notice a Mr. Andrew Haythorne all dressed up in a new pair of "Laser shoes" entering the show ring at Orari?! I now know why he calls his border terrier Pebbles and not Smarties as he clearly is not that clever if he thinks he can get away without someone noticing his move into the show ring!

Orari is always a relaxed competition and this month was no different. It was that relaxed Patt must have spent most of his time sleeping or walking around with her eyes closed as he can't remember absolutely bugger all?

There did seem to be a stack of new Puppies around and the new editions seem to be owned by the Agility blokes. Mainly the Dunedin lads actually. It seems Wayne Grant is thinking rather than sleeping off hangovers in the Ute while Karen runs agility he may as well run around between sleeps and therefore has a new black and white pup. Paul B must have got tired of stroking Mac's coarse black curly hair and opted to go for the soft fluffy coat by getting a powder puff puppy?? I believe the pink handbag to carry his new addition is on order?

The new kids on the block, Club Selwyn held their annual competition and it was great to see lots of new faces around helping out the old faces run the events. They even decided if ya can't beat them then it is best to join them and held a Game called Gamblers on the Saturday arvo of their competitions. Not only was there agility going on but competitors got to see what a real heading dog was bred for. Contrary to belief they do not just jump, climb and frolick, but apparently also shift sheep? As a local farmer proved when he moved some sheep in the surrounding grounds, using dogs? Go figure!

Patt is going to continue along the lazy arse theme and just use the good old "Copy and Paste" tactic from the NDTC website for the Nelson Ribbon trail held on the 26th of Grapril.....

Karen Dunlea was manager and ran a tight efficient ship. Barbara Rusbridge came in and saved the day at the last minute as Judge Judy had damaged herself. Barbara put on some challenging courses for the small band of Nelsonions

plus a few Blenheimites.

Jo Rushbrooke and her wee Cattle Dog took the Starters - this dog is showing real promise. The Kliffman finally won a Novice at ribbon trial. We have been sitting on two champ wins with no ribbon wins for ages. So will finally get a piece of some Senior courses. Kathy Konieczny won the Intermediate with her 'stolen' dog, Kaz - Claire has run off overseas for we don't know how long. Senior went to Vanessa Machen and Cloud with 2nd going to Michelle Griffiths and Poppie - her first clear round in Senior! Dot Parsons took the Elementary class with her new dog Tessa Mae!

A few addicted agiliteers stayed on and played a Gamblers Game that Karen Dunlea organised for us. I ran Min Wells's wee Kobe which was a hoot - she is a bit like running a mini Kangaroo. One thing I have noticed with Gamblers is that some different teams seem to excel which is encouraging for these people. Lilly and Hadassa K came out the winning team, Lola A and Paige 2nd, Kathy K and Kaz 3rd.

That's all for this month folks! Patt will apologize now for the lack of content and will endeavor to produce something more readable next month the month of Gay!

Oh wait something that caught Patt's eye was a recent advert in the personals which read like this: Good-looking, athletic, Merivale based male movie star, millionaire, seeks gullible blonde stunner.

Southern 'arf report - by Marie McDonald

ANZAC Games Day 25 April 2008

NZKC South Island Representatives Roy Thorndycraft and Paul Remon organised and judged a games day on ANZAC day. The classes were Starters Jumpers, Open Gamblers, Intermediate Jumpers and Open Snooker. The Southland contingent all reported that they enjoyed the day and the opportunity to compete in the games. Thanks to Roy and Paul for their work!

Successful Southlanders Jenna McCabe & Skye 1st, Open Snooker, Jenna McCabe & Beau 2nd, Open Gamblers, Diane Youthed & Zoe 1st, Starters Jumpers (Apologies if I have missed someone – the above are the results as forwarded to me).

Otago Canine Training Club Triple 26 & 27 April 2008

Although I was unable to attend the OCTC Show I have received really positive comments on the weekend. The Dunedin weather was cool but sunny. Peter and Karen De Wit were the judges for the weekend and travelled south to provide some fabulous courses. Thanks Peter and Karen - Southlanders not only enjoyed your courses but also seemed to achieve a lot of success.

Special Mention

Diane Youthed and Zoe won the Top Dog award for the weekend. Congratulations Di and Zoe. Diane was kept in the dark about her achievement until the award was announced and one very happy lady and her dog went to collect their

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AGILITY and JUMPERS COURSES.

We need 11 courses for the next series of LINK.

Three of these will be Jumpers courses. Courses can best be supplied as Course designer files, however plans drawn to scale may also be accepted. Please send to the Editor/Secretary.

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By Peter de Wit

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AGILITY—MOST IMPROVED THIS MONTH

Cilla and Meredith Evans, Waimakariri Club

A leap of 159 from 244 to 85

WELL DONE!

ribbon. Well done guys!

Successful Southlanders

Diane Youthed & Zoe 1st Starter 1 and Starters 2, 4th Starters 3 and 4th Novice 2

Jenna McCabe & Skye 1st Senior 1, 1st Intermediate 1,

Jenna McCabe & Beau 3rd Intermediate 2, 5th Senior 3

Elaine Youthed & Spin 2nd Senior 2

Joanne Rennell & Midge 2nd Senior 3

Glenyse Pearse & Flirt 2nd Novice 1

Trisha Cameron & Miss T 2nd Starters 3

Trisha Cameron & Diva 5th Starters 1

Rae Evans & Kyte 5th Novice 3

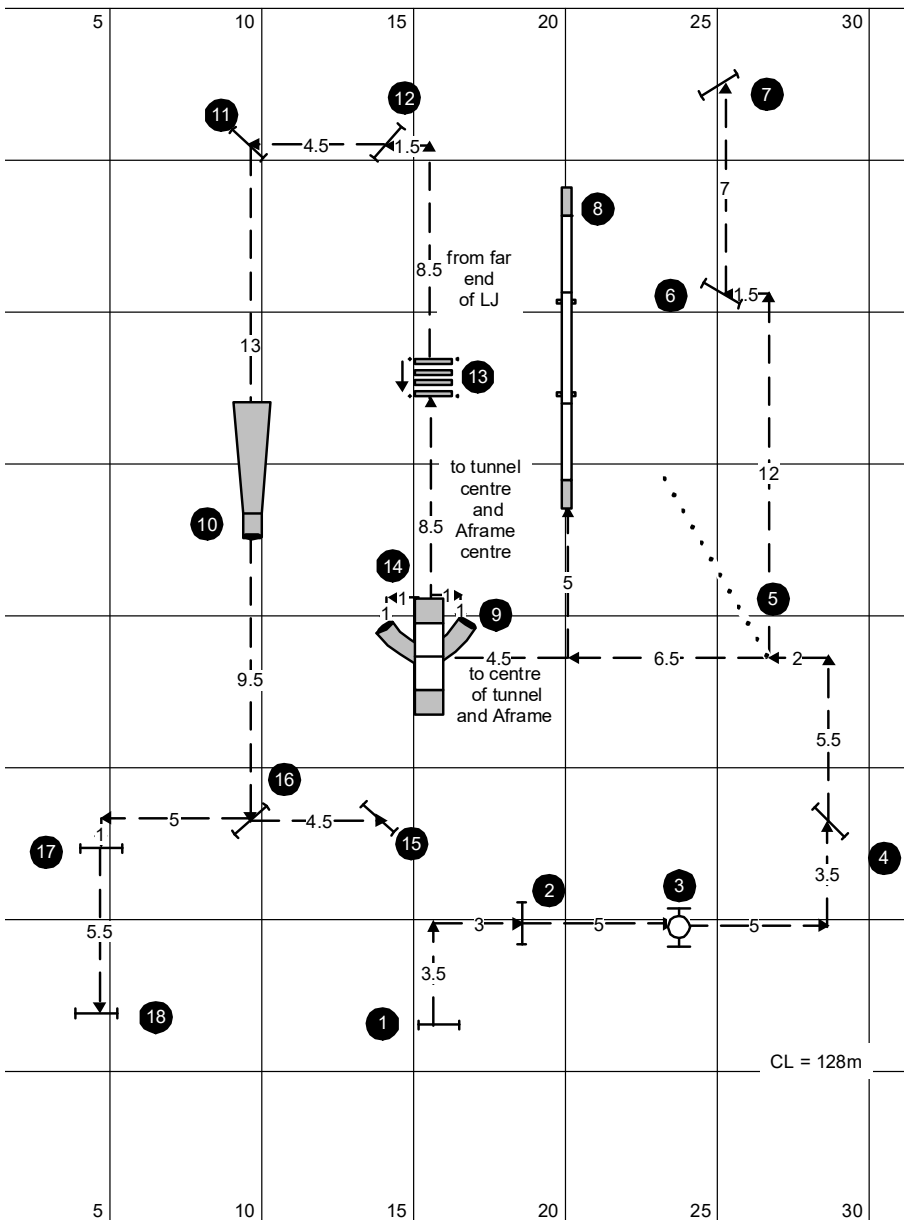
Lynore McCabe & Mekah 5th Novice 1

Apparently Southlanders took home a total of three challenges for the weekend so well done guys.

Looking forward we have the Taieri Canine Training Club's Triple on 17 May 2008 and a Club day on 25 May 2008. Well that is about all from the deep south. Cheers, Marie, Meg and Ralph

AGILITY LINK COURSE for June

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NZYKC AGILITY LINK

Nevenka is organising the NZYKC Agility Link. We asked Nevenka to tell us a bit more about Nevenka and why she is organising the competition.

My Name is Nevenka Paterson and I'm a member of the Upper Hutt Dog Training school, I started competing 3 years ago with by Border Collie Cassie. This sport has given me so much enjoyment for not only myself but also my children. A year ago I decided to start up Junior handler classes at Upper Hutt with the focus of working with the young ones up to a level of competition.

I have been running a young handler classes for just over one year and to watch the children coming through has at time brought tears to my eyes. The children have put so much into this with the running of Games days and ribbon trials at Upper Hutt they are now starting to push for more. This has now been proven to me that not only adults can do this sport but also children. I am really enjoying training the children there keenness to try just blows me away. To see them run in a show is a highlight to me.

Its very interesting to have the children comes up to me after a run and ask if they could have another turn.

So why did I decide to become involved in YKC

I now feel that it is time for the children to go out and compete just like us and when I was approached by the Committee to go onto the YKC agility committee I new that their needed to be some kind of event that now needs to be put together for the YKC.

For the first time starting in May myself and Karen De Wit have come up with a LINK course that will be run every month just like the Nala link. I would like to see this grow as a great event for the YKC handlers. I myself and many of you can see there is a lot of up and coming children willing to get out there and give this a go. Good luck to you all and keep those results coming. More next month and also results for the first YKC link for MAY.

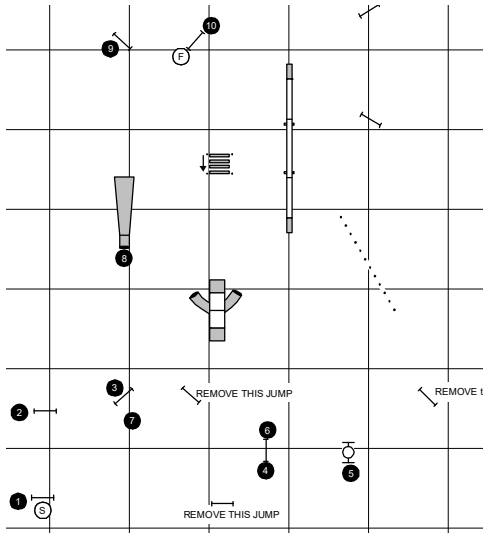
WHAT IS THE NZYKC Agility Link competition?

NALA and NZKC Young Kennel Club (NZ YKC) are offering a competition for youngsters. The competition will be run at two levels, Experienced and Beginner. The definition of experienced and beginner is based solely on the handler's level of experience.

1. Experienced Competition. Open to NZYKC members who run a dog on the usual Link course. An experienced handler is any handler that has handled any dog at an NZKC agility standard class at an NZKC fixture, or any handler that chooses to be in the experienced grade. Handlers can only enter once. A dog can only run the standard Link course once eg. If an adult has run the dog around the Link course, it

cannot be run in the Experienced grade.

2. Beginners Competition. Open to NZYKC members who run a dog on the Beginners Link course. A Beginners handler is any handler that has not handled any dog in an NZKC agility standard class at an NZKC fixture or is under the age of 8. Handlers can only enter once. A dog can be entered a maximum of twice under different handlers in the Beginners section. Any agility trained dog irrespective of the level it currently competes in, can be handled in this class. Dogs will compete on obstacles appropriate to their height.



A handler who starts the year in experienced or Beginners grade will stay at that level for the whole competition. A handler who starts the year in a certain age range will stay at that level for the whole competition. There will be a course available every month. The Beginners course will be nested within the monthly Link course (so the adults don't have too much extra work to do!).

Age levels: Experienced – 8-11yrs, 12-15yrs, 16-24yrs. Beginners – under 8's, 8-11yrs, 12-15yrs, 16-24yrs.

Eligibility: Anyone wishing to have their results recorded, and be eligible for the awards **MUST** become a member of NZYKC. You can give-it-a-go for 3 months and if you join at the 3rd month, then all previous 3 runs will be counted. To join NZYKC: <http://www.ykc.org.nz/>

Awards. There will be awards at the end of the year as per the usual Agility Link competition, in age ranges as well as difficulty level, all provided by NZ YKC. In addition there may be other awards offered from time to time, at the organiser's discretion. NB. You can only receive awards in one category, either Beginners or Experienced. This will not affect your eligibility for the NALA awards.

RESULTS. Please send:- Handler details (Noting if the competitor is a NZ YKC member or not), dog details, results (time and faults) to Nevenka Paterson.

E: Nevenka@xtra.co.nz

If you have any questions about this competition please direct to Karen de Wit (kpde Wit@xtra.co.nz) or Nevenka Paterson (Nevenka@xtra.co.nz)



OCTC PHOTOS by Lisa Cross.

Lisa Cross belongs to the Taieri Canine Training Club, where she has been a member for about a year and a half. Lisa and her heading dog, Jess (4), have done quite well for themselves. Intermediate and Senior now. Lisa says “My Gosh!! its not easy. But **very** addictive.” She has always dabbled a bit in photography. The odd small weddings, candid portraits, scenic and actions shots. But recently, she has really enjoyed taking action pictures of animals, especially dogs in agility. So now she has launched a website called **XSHOTS**, so that others can view pictures of their beloved ones and can then purchase these later. Go to www.freewebs.com/xshots Check it out and post a comment, you may recognise some of the South Island dog handlers and dogs.

Clockwise from top: Jax - David Cook TCTC, - Ella - Rosalie Lock, Jess - Paul Hickey TCTC (Dogs in Otago can jump over people!), Lily - handler Denise Reeve TCTC



AGILITY CLUB COMPETITION DIVISION ONE

Plc	Team	Dog	Breed	Handler	Score	Total>
1	Waimak 1	AG CH Tui	BC.X	Anne Godfrey	23.221	71.505
		AgCh Zoom	Heading Dog	Lisa Duff	24.041	
		Puzzle	Border Collie	Paul Beswick	24.243	
2	Taieri	AgGrCh Kay J	BC	Anne Bevin	24.440	74.470
		AgGrCh Pete	BC X	Anne Bevin	24.970	
		AgGrCh Jax	BC	David Cook	25.060	
3	Central HB	Ag Ch Ice Man	BC.X	Ross McBeth	24.963	76.987
		Witch ADX	BC	Ross McBeth	25.805	
		Tukiman ADX	BC	Ross McBeth	26.219	
4	Top DAWG	AgCh Bee ADX FD	BC	Louise Williams	23.053	78.037
		Rapid	Border Collie	Mike Butler	27.368	
		Kashi	Min Poodle	Diane Miller	27.616	
5	Nelson 1	Cloud ADX	BC	Vannessa Machen	25.268	78.694
		AgGrCh Storm	BC	Dean Machen	26.362	
		Kliff's Edge AD	BC X Smithfield	Linley Barrett	27.064	
6	WAG 1	Rain	BC	Keri Neilson	24.223	79.193
		Ziggy ADX	BC	Trisha Franklyn	25.696	
		Zham	XBreed	Amanda Hayward	29.274	
7	Upper Hutt	AgGrCh C	Head.Dog	Peter de Wit	24.505	85.341
		AgCh Cassie	Border Collie	Nevenka Paterson	28.527	
		jaffa	kelpie	Liz Homes	32.309	
8	Rotorua 1	AgGrCh FDCh Quest	Working BC	Chelsea Marriner	23.190	86.840
		Kit	BC	Iris Walker	27.430	
		AgGrCh FDCh Bree	Heading Dog	Chelsea Marriner	36.220	
9	Wanganui 1	AgCh ObCh Max ADX-G CDX FD	Lab.X	Kathleen Thompson	26.720	93.780
		Tammy ADX-G	K.C.Sp	Barbara James	33.500	
		Jenna ADX-S	Miniature Poodle	Bronwyn Morgan	33.560	
10	Tauranga 1	Breez	BC	Jocelyn Jensen	25.109	95.476
		Rocky ADX	Sheltie	Bernice Shearman	31.209	
		Lucky ADX	Foxy.X	Helen Moorhead	39.158	
11	Cambridge	Asti	BC	Tarah Hunt	30.595	98.774
		Jess	BC	Graeme Jefferies	33.877	
		Neesa ADXG	BC	Donna Begovich	34.302	

DIVISION TWO

Plc	Team	Dog	Breed	Handler	Score	Total>
1	East BOP 2	Ruby	Belgian Shepherd	Martin Bush	23.500	73.500
		Kwali ADX	Belgian Shepherd	Una Forrester	24.880	
		Bindi	Belgian Shepherd	Trish Bush	25.120	
2	Sth Canterbury	Travis	Border Collie	Natasha Coulter	23.528	75.123
		Jonty	BichonX	Natasha Coulter	25.270	
		Qwest ADXG	BC.X	Graeme Parr	26.325	
3	Mt Maunganui	Pleze	Heading Dog	Debbie McFarlane	24.137	75.392
		J J Cricket	Heading Dog	Jan Murden	24.979	
		AgCh Nifty	Head Dog	Deb Jackson	26.276	
4	Counties	Sweeny	Kelpie	Ngairé O'Rourke	24.552	81.764
		Jodi ADX	pointer X	Eduard Hamster	28.220	
		Bob ADX	Aust Shepherd	Ross Pryor	28.992	
5	Hawkes Bay 2	Sheeba ADX	Kelpie.X	Campbell List	26.238	81.841
		EyeC	Border Collie	Daryl Hogg	27.678	
		Gemma	Heading Dog	Rebecca Holland	27.925	
6	Southland	Meg	BC	Marie McDonald	24.824	86.966
		Flirt	Heading Dog	Glenyse Pearse	29.270	
		Lulu	Border Collie	Rae Evans	32.872	
7	North Taranaki 2	Breeze	Lab.X	Raewynn Mayhead	26.800	88.794
		Bracken	ESS	Polly Caitlin-Maybury	30.101	
		Zoe	BC x Foxy	Ian Wooldridge	31.893	
8	ACAC	Ceda	Heading Dog	Paul Warner	28.350	89.370
		Geordie	BC	Christine Wallace	29.450	
		Rocky	Border Collie	Paul Warner	31.570	
9	North Shore 2	Gigha ADXS	BC	Cheryl Ritchie	28.690	92.680
		Ella ADX	Terrier x	Bruce Anderson	31.510	
		Caleb AD FDX	BC	Kay Ungemuth	32.480	
10	CCATS	AgCh Bess ADXG	BC.X	Jo Chapman	29.956	96.140
		Prada	Australian Shepherd	Sandra McHugh	30.653	
		Trixie	Cocker Spaniel	Dot Mote	35.531	
11	WAG 2	Nico	J.R.Terr	Keri Wheaton	33.777	126.486
		Ben	X.Breed	Amanda Hayward	42.967	
		Toby	Papillon	Anita Pouls	49.742	

DIVISION THREE

Plc	Team	Dog	Breed	Handler	Score	Total>
1	Horowhenua	Phanta ADXB	BC	Heather Smith	25.150	87.210
		Nelson	Greyhound X	Kimberly Burman	29.470	
		Cade	German	Rachael Wildbore	32.590	
2	Otago	Miniwaka ADX	JRT	Mandy Tocher	28.214	87.612
		AgCh Brock ADXG FD	BC	Elaine Pearce	29.657	
		Senna ADX	Kelpie	Elaine Pearce	29.741	
3	Tauranga 3	Delta	GSD	Gail Francis	31.574	97.841
		Chase	Border Collie X	Jocelyn Jensen	32.448	
		Axl	GSD	Gail Francis	33.819	
4	Taupo	Miska	BC	Lyn Peters	23.042	98.042
		Kisa	Dobermann	Helen Whitehead	34.564	
		Angel	Toy Poodle	Pauline de Lira	40.436	
5	Wairarapa	AgGrCh India	Border Collie	Dianne Reid	24.760	99.050
		Tessa	Fox Terrier	Sharleen Drummond	27.070	
		Molly	BC	Imogen Howlett	47.220	
6	Akarana	Skooter ADX	B.Terr	Brigid Slykerman	30.586	99.425
		Kelly ADX	Min.Poodle	Marie Pearman	32.715	
		Branson	Border Terrier	Brigid Slykerman	36.124	
7	Whangarei	Rim Rockin Zeto Zeto	Australian Shepherd X	Rebecca Roper	30.400	107.500
		Ash	Working.Dog	Ann Kenny	37.350	
		Zilke	GSD.X	Nigel Kenny	39.750	

DIVISION FOUR

1	Go DAWG	Lili	NZ Heading Dog	Lloyd Pallesen	26.617	91.411
		Monte	Staff X	Sandra Athea	32.375	
		Bailey	Aust Shepherd	Ross McLachlan	32.419	
2	Waimak 4	Indie	Border Collie	Colin Broadhurst	30.489	94.002
		Carter	Golden Retriever	Joanne Wilson	31.460	
		Foe	Working Kelpie	Meredith Evans	32.053	
3	Hawkes Bay 4A	Ch'lee	Dobermann	Jane Webley	31.411	99.807
		Chip	BC	Peggy Scott	33.129	
		Flint	BC	Robyn Fargher	35.267	

4 Nelson 4	Kobe	Whippet X	Linley Barrett	25.820	102.687
	Kola	BC	Linda Mortimer	29.823	
	Jaydee	BC.X	Dot Parsons	47.044	
5 Feilding	Eddie	FC Retriever x	Elaine Herve	30.810	105.620
	Luke AD	Dalm.	Bridget Thompson	36.440	
	Sashi	ADC.X	Dot Falconer	38.370	
6 Dog Sport Rotorua	Delta	BC	Judy Casey	34.160	112.280
	Celly	HDG/HUNT	Cynthia Caulfield	38.530	
	Cacy	BC/HDG	Cynthia Caulfield	39.590	
7 Hawera	Rockie ADX	Boxer	Alana Gray	36.970	119.270
	Tri AD	Sheltie	Michelle Sowerby	37.320	
	Chelsea AD	BC	Linda Smith	44.980	
8 Wanganui 4	Varna	Miniature Poodle	Bronwyn Morgan	32.310	131.570
	Storm	Gsd x bc	Kathleen Thompson	41.130	
	Flame	BC	Bronwyn Morgan	58.130	
9 Tokoroa	Lacey	Poodle	Frank Aerts	35.340	139.080
	Skye ADX	Kelpie X	Gina Boreham	47.620	
	Tonka	BC	Frank Aerts	56.120	
10 East BOP 4	Breeze	Collie X	Jason Hughes	39.120	139.250
	Indy	Border Collie	Mel Mankelow	46.570	
	Remus	Lab x	Raewyn Ireton	53.560	
11 Hawkes Bay 4B	Kim		Jacky Carbin	46.988	150.074
	Sassy	Belgian.Sh	Jacky Carbin	48.103	
	Rosa	Welsh.Terr	Bill Craig	54.983	
12 CHB Orange s Roughie	Taz Taz	Heading Dog X	Kim Loye	34.175	158.029
	Ted	Staffy Cross	Claudia Mason	54.124	
	Will	A.C.Dog	Robyn Hughes	69.730	
13 South Rangitikei	Fifi ADXB	Terr.X	Silvia Rizzi	30.600	161.590
	Jai AD	BC.X	Liz Tolhurst	50.340	
	Nikki		Heather Bennie	80.650	

TOP 20 AGILITY RESULTS—April

1	Miska	BC	Lyn Peters	Taupo	28.042	0	23.042
2	AgCh Bee ADX FD	BC	Louise Williams	DAWG	28.053	0	23.053
3	AgGrCh FDCh Quest	Working BC	Chelsea Marriner	Rotorua	28.190	0	23.190
4	AG CH Tui	BC.X	Anne Godfrey	Waimakiriri	28.221	0	23.221
5	Ruby	Belgian Shepherd	Martin Bush	East BOP	28.500	0	23.500
6	Travis	Border Collie	Natasha Coulter	South Canterbury	28.528	0	23.528
7	AgCh Zoom	Heading Dog	Lisa Duff	Waimakiriri	29.041	0	24.041
8	Pleze	Heading Dog	Debbie McFarlane	Mt Maunganui	29.137	0	24.137
9	Rain	BC	Keri Neilson	WAG	29.223	0	24.223
10	Puzzle	Border Collie	Paul Beswick	Waimakiriri	29.243	0	24.243
11	AgGrCh Kay J	BC	Anne Bevin	Taieri	29.440	0	24.440
12	AgGrCh C	Head.Dog	Peter de Wit	Upper Hutt	29.505	0	24.505
13	Sweeny	Kelpie	Ngairé O'Rourke	Counties	29.552	0	24.552
14	AgGrCh India	Border Collie	Dianne Reid	Wairarapa	29.760	0	24.760
15	Meg	BC	Marie McDonald	Southland	29.824	0	24.824
16	Kwali ADX	Belgian Shepherd	Una Forrester	East BOP	29.880	0	24.880
17	Ag Ch Ice Man	BC.X	Ross McBeth	Central HB	29.963	0	24.963
18	AgGrCh Pete	BC X	Anne Bevin	Taieri	29.970	0	24.970
19	J J Cricket	Heading Dog	Jan Murden	Mt Maunganui	29.979	0	24.979
20	AgGrCh Jax	BC	David Cook	Taieri	30.060	0	25.060

TOP 20 FLYGILITY RESULTS—April

1	Flash FDX	Heading Dog	Chelsea Marriner	Rotorua	8.720	0	8.720
2	AgGrCh FDCh Bree	Heading Dog	Chelsea Marriner	Rotorua	9.220	0	9.220
3	FDCh Mya	BC.X	Rebecca Sidwell	DAWG	9.370	0	9.370
4	Dash	Heading Dog	Kay Ungemuth	Norwest	9.530	0	9.530
5	Raven FD	GSD X	Diana McKay	Norwest	9.690	0	9.690
6	Risky	Heading Dog	Ngairé O'Rourke	Counties	9.720	0	9.720
7	AgCh Zoom	Heading Dog	Lisa Duff	Waimakiriri	9.763	0	9.763
8	Ike FD	Heading Dog	Chelsea Marriner	Rotorua	9.840	0	9.840
9	Cody		Kathleen Thompson	Wanganui	9.910	0	9.910
10	Jordy FD ADX	Lab x	Barbara James	Wanganui	9.970	0	9.970
11	Ringo	Kelpie	Dot Janssen	Hawkes Bay	9.990	0	9.990
12	Seeka	Border Collie	Rebecca Sidwell	DAWG	10.000	0	10.000
13	Tessa	Fox Terrier	Sharleen Drummond	Wairarapa	10.020	0	10.020
14	AgCh Bee ADX FD	BC	Louise Williams	DAWG	10.030	0	10.030
15	Meg Howlett	BC	Imogen Howlett	Wairarapa	10.060	0	10.060
16	AgGrCh FDCh Quest	Working BC	Chelsea Marriner	Rotorua	10.120	0	10.120
17	McLeod	Foxy x	Paula Nixon	Rotorua	10.130	0	10.130
17	Teezsa	Vizsla	Sue McKee	Waimakiriri	10.130	0	10.130
19	Todd	NZ Handy Dog	Nicole Beaumont	Norwest	10.190	0	10.190
20	Zoe	LabxHuntaway	Rebecca Vaughan	Tokoroa	10.530	0	10.530

FLYGILITY by Allan Rohde

It is that time of year where a lot of organisations hold their AGM's and the NZFDA fall's into that category. The date and venue is still to be confirmed but people should start thinking of any remits that they wish to put forward. One remit that is likely to be put forward is to do with the competition structure following on from some interesting discussion on the flygility list. You should start thinking now on how you think the structure can be improved and you should share those idea s around with other flygiliters.

The other thing that is carried out in conjunction with the AGM is the annual grants to clubs. If your club wishes to apply for one of these then please send me an email and I will send out the application forms.

Next Challenge Course – July

The monthly courses can be downloaded from the files section of the NALA group. These can be accessed from the following web address:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NZAgility/files/Flygility/Monthly%20Courses/>

These have been uploaded as PDF documents and you should contact me if you require the courses in a different format.

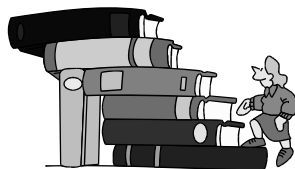
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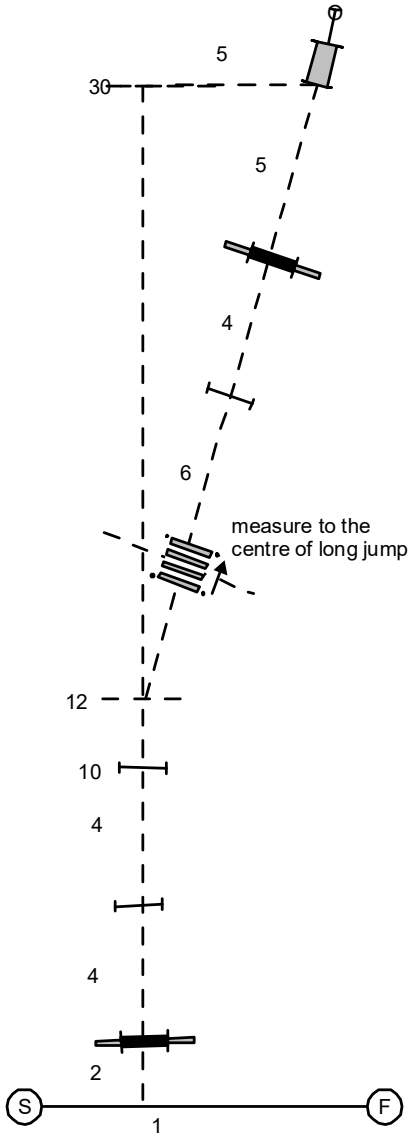
FLYGILITY—MARCH—STANDARD TEAMS

1	Wairarapa 1	Meg Howlett AgGrCh India Molly	Imogen Howlett Dianne Reid Imogen Howlett	30.460	0	30.460
2	Hawkes Bay 1	Ch'lee Ringo Sheeba ADX	Jane Webley Dot Janssen Campbell List	31.570	0	31.570
3	Wanganui 1	AgCh ObCh Max ADX-G CDX FD Cody Jordy FD ADX	Kathleen Thompson Kathleen Thompson Barbara James	32.000	0	32.000
4	North Shore 1	Joe Laddie Casey	Joanne Turner Sheeran Johnson Claire Vivash	33.060	0	33.060
5	Waimak 1	AG CH Tui Teezza AgCh Zoom	Anne Godfrey Sue McKee Lisa Duff	33.460	0	33.460
6	Sulphur City Slickers (Rotorua)	AgGrCh FDCh Bree Flash FDX AgGrCh FDCh Quest	Chelsea Marriner Chelsea Marriner Chelsea Marriner	28.780	5	33.780
7	southland 1	Flirt Zara Kyte	Glenyse Pearse Vickie Robinson Rae Evans	34.900	0	34.900
8	NorWest 1	Raven FD Caleb AD FDX Todd	Diana McKay Kay Ungemuth Nicole Beaumont	30.130	5	35.130
9	Top DAWG	FDCh Mya Seeka AgCh Bee ADX FD	Rebecca Sidwell Rebecca Sidwell Louise Williams	30.440	5	35.440
10	NorWest 2	Dash Tip ADX Tui FD ADX	Kay Ungemuth Margaret Anderson Diana McKay	36.030	0	36.030
11	taranaki troupers	Breeze Matilda ADXS Mulga	Raewynn Mayhead Laurel Austin Laurel Austin	37.750	0	37.750
11	Deputy DAWG	Misty ADXG Midge Toonie ADX FDX	Rebecca Sidwell Louise Williams Chris Ross	37.750	0	37.750
13	Rotorua Rebels (Rotorua)	Ike FD McLeod Quizz	Chelsea Marriner Paula Nixon Louise Ray	33.500	5	38.500

14 Wanganui 2	Tammy ADX-G Pippi Coffee	Barbara James Jonna Gibson Shauni Webster	41.750	0	41.750
15 Counties 1	Flash Bob ADX Jack	Ngairie O'Rourke Ross Pryor Sue Gillon	41.800	0	41.800
16 Under DAWG	Cleo FD Poppy Quiz ADXG FD	Marian Holman Alison Phua Kathryn Bayne	37.090	5	42.090
17 TOK TOWN	Tonka Skye ADX Zoe	Frank Aerts Gina Boreham Rebecca Vaughan	44.490	0	44.490
18 NorWest 3	Teddy Cassie Zoe	Karen Smith Joan McFarlane Karen Smith	47.780	0	47.780
19 Hawkes Bay 2	Bella ADXG Frodo Nelly	Colleen O'Connor Jane List Ann Anderson	49.120	0	49.120
20 taranaki beecs	Rosie Caddie Song	Patricia Martin Patricia Martin Raewynn Mayhead	53.090	0	53.090
21 Counties 2	Sweeny Nell AD Risky	Ngairie O'Rourke Ross Pryor Ngairie O'Rourke	58.090	5	63.090
22 Tauranga 2	Deci Tulli Whittier	Marion Pope Shelley Clark Nikki Craddock	75.380	0	75.380
23 Waimak 2	Indie Wilco Cilla	Colin Broadhurst Norma Wilson Meredith Evans	74.660	5	79.660
24	Midge Finn Fendi	Raewyn Saville Dave Knapman Susan Ray	46.430	0	5555.000
24	Coby Lucy Boo	Cynthia Caulfield Rosslyn Prichard Raewyn Saville	41.910	0	5555.000
24	Bridie Celly Cacy	Carolyn Mear Cynthia Caulfield Cynthia Caulfield	39.530	0	5555.000
24 Hawkes Bay 3	Moonlight AD Romar Rosa	Joan Ruffell Dot Janssen Bill Craig	0.000	0	5555.000

FLYGILITY COURSE for this month.

STANDARD FLYGILITY COURSE
JUNE 2008



SIGNATURE GEAR ELECTRONIC TIMING

New Zealanders are renowned for embracing new technology and in the Agility Ring it is certainly no different.

Since the arrival of the first machine in early 2004 there has been a slow but steady stream culminating in a grand total exceeding 25 sets in New Zealand with the Australians lagging well behind with 10 sets so far.

The bulk of units sold in New Zealand were funded through various charities, predominately one of numerous "Pub Charities" with the funds being generated by "Pokies".

Despite recent news coverage about the potential restriction to the number of gaming outlets apparently there is a plentiful supply of funding dependent only on the quality of the application.

If your club is interested in making an application for funding I am happy to make suggestions based around what we know has been successful in the past.

Contact the New Zealand and Australian agent:-

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