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AGILITY THIS MONTH

By Karen de wit

WHY DOGS LIVE LESS THAN HUMANS

(Here's the surprising answer of a 6 year old child.)

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife Lisa, and their little boy Shane, were all very attached to Belker, and they were hoping for a miracle. I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away.

The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's Death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that dogs' lives are shorter than human lives. Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why."

Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. It has changed the way I try and live.

He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life — like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The

six-year-old continued, "Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay for as long as we do."

Live simply.
Love generously.
Care deeply.
Speak kindly.

Remember, if a dog was the teacher you would learn things like:

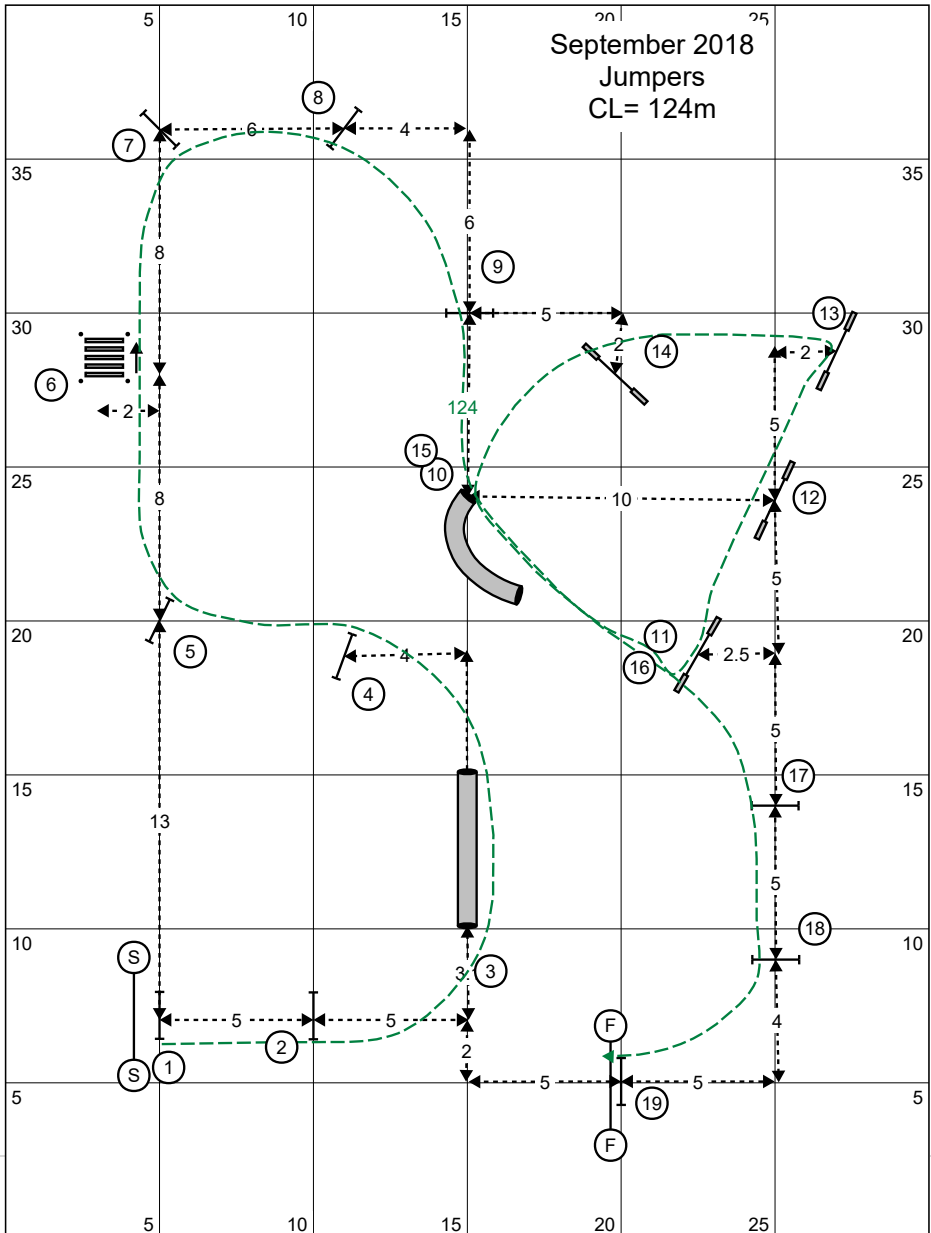
- When your loved ones come home, always run to greet them.
- Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.
- Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure Ecstasy.
- Take naps.
- Stretch before rising.
- Run, romp, and play daily.
- Thrive on attention and let people touch you.
- Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
- On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.
- On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.
- When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.
- Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.
- Be faithful.
- Never pretend to be something you're not.
- If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
- When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by, and nuzzle them gently.

That's the secret of happiness that we can learn from a good dog.

LIKE AND SHARE

September 2018

JUMPERS Course. Path length = 124m



Rally signs.

Std Course (on lead)

1. circle right.
2. circle left, dog on inside
3. weave twice
4. 270 right
5. left turn
6. left turn
7. figure of eight(red cones)
- 8.weave once
9. side step right
10. 270 left
11. 360 right
12. left about turn

Challenge Course (off lead)

1. circle right.
2. circle left, dog on inside
3. weave twice
4. 270 right
5. left turn
6. left turn
7. figure of eight
- 8.weave once
9. forward around pole (1m exclusion zone)
10. 270 left
11. send over jump, handler passes by 1m exclusion zone from edge of jump before, after and to the side of jump
12. left about turn

RALLY-O CHALLENGE COURSES.

This year we will have 3 CHALLENGE COURSES for Rally-O. The dogs will have to be off-lead and we will incorporate a few Advanced and Excellent signs, as well as some NZARO signs. This will include: send around pole, send over jump, stand, changes of position, backing up, changes of side too!! So get practicing now!!

Months: September- November - February

RALLY-O TEAM RESULTS – June/July

Place	Club	Team	Score	Time
1	Wanganui DTC	Betsy Gleeson & Brax, Glenn Armitage & Buddy, Betsy Gleeson & Suede	100.0	256.640
2	Wairapa	Donna Garrity & Mack, Nicky Detheridge-Davies & Rufus, Elaine Herve & Tio	100.0	259.980
3	Upper Hutt	Jane Aukett & Holly, Peter de Wit & Quick, Jane Aukett & Quinn	100	276.122
4	Canterbury COC	Kelly Walker & Kep, Kelly Walker & Gael, Helen Scott & Mac	100.0	290.670
5	Hawkes Bay	Lorraine Lennox & Jantsee, Lorraine Lennox & Phoenix, Dionne Robertson & Indy	100.0	292.343
6	Sunshine Whk	Helen Barnes & Cookie, Diane Rau & Peat, Maree Boreham & Bess	99.3	280.470
7	Central ADTS	Jan Voss & Halley, Jan Voss & Maple, Mike Butler & Idol	98.0	301.120
8	Norwest	Sarah Ridley & Keara, Jan Walter & Ness, Marion Lines & Jasper	95.7	377.120
9	DAWG	Liz Barlow & Polly, Wendy Osmond & Gunnah, Wendy Statham & Chester	94.0	393.700
10	Dog Sports Rotorua	Raewyn Saville & Pansy, Debbie Trimbach & Benni, Alex Jones & Shadroc	94	400.99

Flygility courses

By Nichola Cole

	3		
	SEPTEMBER Standard Flygility		
	(4.5, 31.2)		
	(4.5, 30)	30	
27		27	
	(4.5, 25)		
24		24	
21		21	
	(4, 20)		
18		18	
15		15	
	(3.5, 15)		
12		12	
	(3, 10.2)		
9		9	
6		(2, 6)	6
3			3
	(2, 2)		
	3		

	9	6	3	
33		SEPTEMBER ChallengeFlygility		33
		(4.5, 31.2)		
30		(4.5, 30)		30
27				27
		(4.5, 25)		
24				24
		(4, 21)		
21				21
18		(3, 18.1)		18
15				15
		(4, 14)		
12				12
		(3, 10.2)		
9				9
6		(2, 6)		6
3				3
		(2, 2)		
	9	6	3	



Chippie night

This looks like fun – by Elissia Cleave



**NATIONAL AGILITY LINK ASSOCIATION
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018**

	Notes	2017/18	2016/17	2015/16	2014/15	2013/14
INCOME						
Subscriptions		6,064.00	6,369.00	7,429.00	8,201.00	9,613.50
Interest		8.19	40.63	146.19	55.59	57.72
Advertising		-	-	120.00	120.00	240.00
Donations		52.00	16.00	19.00	4.00	-
		6,124.19	6,425.63	7,714.19	8,380.59	9,911.22
EXPENDITURE						
Stationery		-	98.79	62.70	61.95	-
Printing		1,011.25	1,373.19	1,878.85	2,541.63	3,231.47
Postage		1,829.57	1,665.80	1,429.60	2,645.72	2,368.22
Auditors fee		42.99	50.00	40.00	40.00	35.00
Honorariums		1,350.00	1,320.00	1,380.00	2,760.00	1,380.00
Club Grants		215.63	1,182.50	-	2,250.00	-
Sashes		709.09	1,031.79	815.47	1,120.33	1,005.63
Web-site Costs		82.55	82.55	32.14	32.14	37.89
Bank fees		-	-	-	3.00	6.65
Depreciation		15.00	20.80	61.52	148.15	218.56
		5,256.08	6,825.42	5,700.28	11,602.92	8,281.42
EXCESS INCOME/(LOSS) OVER EXPENDITURE		868.11	(399.79)	2,013.91	(3,222.33)	1,629.80

**NATIONAL AGILITY LINK ASSOCIATION
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2018**

	Notes	2017/18	2016/17	2015/16	2014/15	2012/13
MEMBERS FUNDS						
Balance brought forward		4,088.72	4,488.51	2,474.60	6,147.82	4,518.02
Excess Income / (Loss) over Expenditure		868.11	(399.79)	2,013.91	(3,222.33)	1,629.80
		4,956.83	4,088.72	4,488.51	2,925.49	6,147.82
Made up of:						
Accumulated Funds		4,956.83	4,088.72	4,488.51	2,474.60	5,695.93
Seminar Reserve		-	-	-	-	450.89
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS		4,956.83	4,088.72	4,488.51	2,474.60	6,147.82
ASSETS						
Westpac Cheque Account		215.79	563.08	349.00	626.78	761.99
Westpac Serious Saver		8,862.43	7,955.24	8,006.11	9,465.92	7,248.33
		9,078.22	8,518.32	8,355.11	10,092.70	8,010.32
FIXED ASSETS						
Video/Book Library		2,244.06	2,244.06	2,244.06	2,244.06	2,244.06
less accumulated depreciation		(2,229.08)	(2,214.06)	(2,193.26)	(2,131.74)	(1,983.59)
		15.00	30.00	50.80	112.32	260.47
TOTAL ASSETS		9,093.22	8,548.32	8,405.91	10,205.02	8,270.79
less LIABILITIES						
Subscriptions in Advance		(1,952.00)	(2,042.00)	(1,458.00)	(2,559.00)	(784.00)
Auditors Gift		(45.00)	(45.00)	(40.00)	(40.00)	(80.00)
Sashes		(705.19)	(900.00)	(900.00)	(900.00)	(900.00)
Postage		-	-	-	(349.92)	-
Riegers Copy Centre - March booklets		(84.20)	(122.80)	(139.40)	(251.50)	(358.97)
Club Grants		-	-	-	(2,250.00)	-
Honorariums		(1,350.00)	(1,350.00)	(1,380.00)	(1,380.00)	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		(4,136.39)	(4,459.60)	(3,917.40)	(7,730.42)	(2,122.97)
Equals Total Members Funds		4,956.83	4,088.72	4,488.51	2,474.60	6,147.82

AGILE 17/18

JUNE/JULY RESULTS.

DIVISION ONE

1	Wairarapa	Spy ADXB JDX Brazil ADX JDX Jay	Sharleen Drummond Dianne Reid Stacie Clark	31.409 32.177 32.357	95.943
2	Blenheim 1	AgCh & JGrCh Jazz Ninja Finn ADX JDX	Natasha Neame Natasha Neame Sandra Goodwin	30.435 33.514 34.031	97.98
3	Upper Hutt 1	Smudge Ag & J Ch Finn Maz	Erin Mulholland Karen de Wit Jorja Mulholland	31.358 31.764 36.436	99.558
4	East BOP	Edge Lucy Airik	Sue Whitwell Trish Bush Joanne Allan	33.57 37.12 37.34	108.03
5	Mt Maunganui 1	Sea JDX Khia CGCG ADXG Glen ADXS JAX	Jan Murden Anne Proctor Justine Dale	35.36 38.013 43.415	116.788
6	Huntly	Teal ADXB JDX George JD Jack ADX	Kim Orlando-Reep Dr John Gates Gina Nielsen	36.26 38.653 44.39	119.303
7	Central HB	Poppi Dot AD Cricket ADX JDX	Katrina Alexander Jill Payne Joanne Little	35 40.352 59.574	134.926
8	Hawkes Bay	Misty CGCG ADX Lace JDX CGCG Echo AD JDX	Chrissy Harris Chrissy Harris Lex Clare	45.034 46.332 51.994	143.36

DIVISION TWO

1	Mt Maunganui 2	Princess Geeva AD Blaze JDX Finch JD RN	Frazer Delamere Shelley Stewart Lis Proctor	29.857 35.508 38.358	103.723
2	Cambridge	AgCh & JCh Spark ADXG JAG SNG Finn Lilly ADXG JDS JAX	Julie McConkey Jan Henwood Robyn Brettell	36.062 37.69 39.278	113.03

3	Nelson 2	Lia JDX ADX Brandi ADXA Silver Hanna JDX AD	Nartarsha Gorrie Nikki Steyn Lizzi Gillard	33.561 46.106 47.396	127.063
4	North Taranaki 2	Blue FDX JDX TT1 FDCH Bella ADXS Diaz CDXG JD UD	Lynn Pillette Lynn Pillette Rae Mayhead	34.991 37.236 58.324	130.551
5	Sth Canterbury	Twinkle Ziggy ADXG JDG Mia JDX	Tracey Page Jenny D'Arcy Shelley Sisson	33.644 40.575 56.624	130.843
6	Tauranga 2	Kobi ADXG JDG Fern JD Fee Bee ADX JDX	Jocelyn Jensen Jocelyn Jensen Helen Moorhead	40.226 41.377 53.679	135.282
7	CCATS	AG CH Viper ADXG Pipi JDX Tui	Kathryn Snook Sandra McHugh Sandra McHugh	37.635 51.13 72.281	161.046

DIVISION THREE

1	Tokoroa	Vogue ADXG JDX Rocky ADXG JAX Zoe AgCH ADXG	Paul Needham Paul Needham Paul Needham	32.388 35.998 37.773	106.159
2	North Shore	Cassidy ADXG JDX Agility Zak Tua ADXB JD FD	Jacqui Wigmore Mia Heijnen Jacqui Wigmore	36.548 38.722 39.095	114.365
3	Whangarei	Aro AD JD Smithy Sanchez	Christine Fifield Christine Fifield Amelie McIlhinney	40.25 40.87 45.604	126.724
4	Upper Hutt 3	Quinn JD Taco Faith	Jane Aukett Darren Lilley Sue Boyle	50.739 52.059 53.224	156.022
5	Whanganui 3	Buddy RE Lucy Mikie JD	Glenn Armitage Bruce Lacey Bill Stewart	53.36 55.08 58.58	167.02
6	Blenheim 3	Strike Elly Karma	Natasha Neame Karina Greenall Claire Brooks	42.36 59.31 69.179	170.849
7	Tauranga 3	Jet Hugo Dottie	Kim Hammond Sue Foster Rozie Dunford	51.893 62.727 62.795	177.415

DIVISION FOUR					
1	Dog Sport Rotorua	Sophie Jessie James JDX Chip	Debbie Trimbach Christine Longton Raewyn Saville	38.15 41.91 44.34	124.4
2	Nelson 4	Remi Bob JDX Abbie	Emma Eggers Linda Humphries Lola Anderson	41.34 44.728 49.749	135.817
3	Gizzy	Tank AD Flo Jacobi AD	Penny Bushell Amelia Gower Amelia Gower	35.83 51.1 53.04	139.97
4	Hawera 4	Moss FDCH JD AD Eddie Brandy JD	Diane Haydon Kirsten Pierson Diane Haydon	45.282 46.608 49.71	141.6
5	DAWG	Idol ADX JDX Bella Biff	Mike Butler Lorraine Hazlewood Lorraine Hazlewood	45.379 46.528 58.946	150.853
6	CHB Orange Roughies	Tweed Jinx Hunta	Katrina Alexander Lynette Sayers Jo-Anne Steed	46.401 52.439 56.895	155.735

Team Flygility Results June/July 2018

#	Team	Dog	Handler	Total
1	FDTC Meadowlarks	FD Ch Meggie FdCh Pulse FD Gr Ch Blaze ADXG	Nichola Cole Sandra Mohekey Lynda Cummins	30.84
2	Counties Strike attack	Cougar AD JDX Daisy Strike	Marilyn Lambert Nicole Beaumont Di Stephens	31.026
3	Taranaki Beegees	FDCH Dazzle CDX WDX FD GrCh Willow AD JDX Blue FDX JDX TT1	Laurel Austin Sandra Banks Lynn Pillette	32.032
4	Counties Real Dogs	Kruze Roma AG & J GRCH FDCH Bolt	Elaine Rohde Natalia Beketova Elaine Rohde	34.117

5	Taranaki Harlequins	FD CH Grace ADXS CDX FD Storm FDCH Bella ADXS JAX	Laurel Austin Sandra Banks Lynn Pillette	34.304
6	FDTC Friendly Fields	Arrow FDX Holly FD FDGrCh Echo	Sandra Mohekey Wendy Cole Nichola Cole	35.34
7	Kaipara Kumera	Meg JDX RN FD Pippa ADXB JD RN Breeze ADXS JDX RE	Annette Flannagan Colleen Lauder Annette Flannagan	35.44
8	Hawkes Bay 2	Boo Chester Lace JDX CGCG	H McGrannachan Peggy Scott Chrissy Harris	35.702
9	Wairarapa 1	PhamTim Brazil ADX JDX FdCh Tasman ADXG JDX	Ana Workman Dianne Reid Sharleen Drummond	35.741
10	wairarapa 2	Blast ADXG Spy ADXB JDX AG & J GR CH Jamaica	Ana Workman Sharleen Drummond Dianne Reid	36.42
11	In The Fly Zone	Moss FDCH JD AD Belle JD Little Miss Chatter Box	Diane Haydon Judy Towers Diane Haydon	38.67
12	FDTC Paddock Parties	AgCh FD Gr Ch Niko Byrne Shadow FDX	Sandra Mohekey Lynda Cummins Nichola Cole	39.54
13	Mighty Misfits	Cooper Big Bad Wolf Sam	Kirsten Pierson Judy Towers Diane Haydon	39.58
14	Kaipara DTC	Maui FD Orca CGCB FD Belle ADX FD	Lorna Chapman Lorna Chapman Carol Taylor	40.51
15	Upper Hutt Bombers	FDCh Stacey FDCh Zeba Cameo ADX-B JD RA	Wayne Turner Wayne Turner Gillian Cruickshank	41.05
16	Hawkes Bay 1	Cherchez JDX CGGS Misty CGCG ADX JDX Treason JD	Jacqueline Olley Chrissy Harris Campbell List	41.509

17	Dog Sports Rotorua 1	Jade Chip Boston	Pam Sharp Raewyn Saville Christine Hutchings	43.47
18	Counties Big & Littlez	CH Gator JD Dasha Rogue JD	Natalia Beketova Natalia Beketova Di Stephens	54.193
19	Wairarapa 3	Misty JD FD Scout Whizz ADX JD	Sharleen Drummond Katelin Drummond Debbie Paterson	62.628
20	Hawkes Bay 3	Biggie CGCG RN Nitro CGCG Rosie JD	Chrissy Harris Gillian Petterson H McGrannachan	65.5
21	Dog Sports Rotorua 2	Sophie Minnie Bootz	Debbie Trimbach Raewyn Saville Christine Hutchings	76.41
22	Dog Sports Rotorua 3	Texas Grace Koda	Alex Jones Sharon Brosnahan Tina Watt	195.31

Guidelines for Games classes.

Jumpers pairs.

Jumpers pairs is a game played by two people and two dogs. One person/dog does one half of the course and the second person/dog does the second part of the course. The score is the total number of faults scored over the total time taken.

Course design.

- need to design two separate courses (where mixed pairs are being held) so that no jumping obstacles are in common.
- Both members of the pair can negotiate tunnels during their run.
- Flow in and out of the ring. You should consider this as the same rules apply as for standard classes (distance between start/finish obstacles, edge of ring etc).
- Design the finish of the first dog and the start of the second dog so that you (and the handlers) can clearly see/judge the changeover. There is no baton change. Ensure course design allows you to see the cross, and make sure competitors are certain that the second dog must not start till the first dog has either

landed on the ground or exited the tunnel. If one dog goes early the team is disqualified.

Obstacles to be used.

- Jumping obstacles (hurdles, hoop, brush, long jump, wings)
- Tunnels (flexible tunnel, and collapsible tunnel)
- In Grade B asymmetrical spread jump may also be used.
- In Grade A the asymmetrical spread jump, wishing well and multiple bar ascending spread jump may also be used.

Number of obstacles.

Grade C Jumpers pairs - each dog must negotiate between 8 -10 obstacles.

Grade B Jumpers pairs - each dog must negotiate between 10-12 obstacles.

Grade A Jumpers pairs - each dog must negotiate between 12-15 obstacles.

Rate of travel.

Grade C Jumpers pairs = 2.75 - 3.25 m/s

Grade B Jumpers pairs = 3.25 - 3.75 m/s

Grade A Jumpers pairs = 3.5 - 4 m/s

Putting the course on the ground.

It will be crucial to ensure the course is set up as per the plan and that the length of the path for qualification is as per the course design. Measure the course as per usual.

Judging.

Normal judging rules apply.

Judge the start area as the dogs cross. Team is disqualified if the second dog begins before the first dog has finished.

DOGSNZ Qualification criteria – to obtain a qualification certificate.

The pair must get a clear round under the SCT.

They will finish with one total faults and one total time. Eg. If one dog is D and one goes clear the whole team is Disq.

