

# THE PAW PRINT

May 2025

## *President Comments*



It's hard to believe we're already heading into winter – the cold weather has definitely started to make itself known! Despite the chill, it's been a busy and positive few months for the club.



We recently held our 2025 Ribbon Trial, and it was a fantastic day. A huge congratulations to all those who entered – especially our newer members who stepped up and competed with great results.



We also had a trainers' meeting where both new and experienced trainers came together to refresh our skills and align on how we continue delivering great classes.

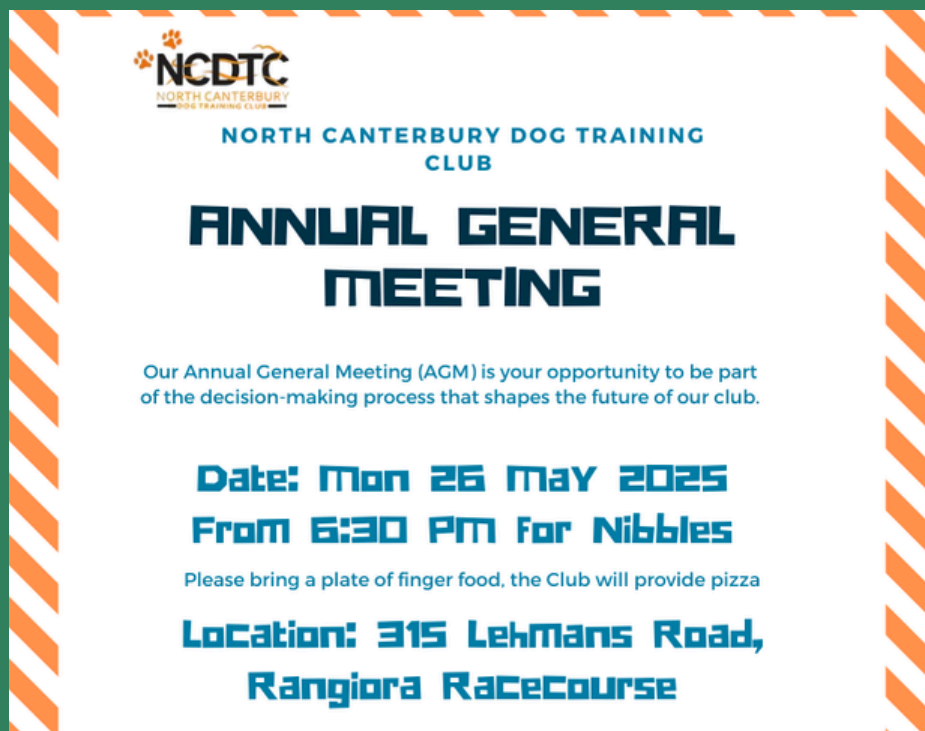
Coming up, we're looking forward to our AGM later this month – a great chance to connect, reflect, and get involved in shaping the future of the club. We'd love to see you there!

# 2025 AGM

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up on Monday 26th May. This is your chance to hear what's been happening behind the scenes, celebrate our club's achievements, and see what's in store for the year ahead.

**There will be no classes that night**, so we encourage all members to come along, get involved, and have your voice heard.

For more details, visit our website.



## 2025 MEMBERSHIPS

A friendly reminder that NCDTC membership renewals are now overdue. Your membership helps keep the club running, supports our events, and keeps you connected to all things dog training at NCDTC.

If you haven't already renewed, please do so as soon as possible to continue enjoying all the benefits of being part of our club. If you have any questions on this please get in touch today.

# CLASS REPORTS

OUR TRAINING CLASSES ARE OFF TO A FANTASTIC START THIS YEAR, WITH GREAT PROGRESS FROM BOTH NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

## GCG / COMPANION CERTIFICATE

What an amazing day we had last weekend at our CGC assessments for Foundation and Bronze levels! The effort from both dogs and handlers really shone through – all that hard work is paying off.

While a few didn't quite pass this time, we're so proud of their efforts – and we know they won't let this deter them from reaching their goals. It's all part of the journey, and we're right behind you!

A big thank you to our helpers and assessors for making the day fun, supportive, and stress-free – we couldn't do it without you!

Unfortunately, our Silver and Gold assessments were postponed due to the weather – but keep an eye out for the new date, which will be announced soon!

Well done to everyone who took part – we're so proud of you!





# CLASS REPORTS

## INTRODUCTORY CLASS

It's been fantastic watching our handlers and their dogs thriving in the Six-Week Intro Courses — so much enthusiasm and team spirit! Richard's Intro Course 2 has just graduated and is off to Canine Good Basics, congrats to everyone!



## TRICKS

Looking for a fun way to build your dog's confidence, improve focus, and strengthen your bond? Our Tricks Class is perfect to learn fun tricks like spin, bow, paws up, and more.



Our Tricks class kicked off on 19th May, and it's not too late to join!

Get in touch if you wish to join.

# CLASS REPORTS

## OBEDIENCE

It's been a busy season, with shows running almost every weekend — and now things will quieten down for a couple of months, except for King's Birthday weekend in Nelson.

Our Monday night competitive class has had great attendance and lots of fun. Janice will be taking a break over winter, but a big thank you to Helen, who will kindly step in to take the class. The time remains the same: 6 pm – 6.30 pm

### **Blenheim Canine Training Club Champ Shows – 22-23 March 2025**

#### **Saturday Show 1:**

Beginners – 1st Wayne & Zoom

Test A – 3rd Janice & Magic

Test C – 1st Helen & Flicka, 2nd  
Janice & Question

#### **Saturday Show 2:**

Beginners – 1st Wayne & Zoom

Test C – 2nd Helen & Flicka, 3rd  
Alastair & Crikey

#### **Sunday:**

Test B – 1st Helen & Secret

Test C – 2nd Helen & Flicka, 3rd  
Janice & Question

### **ROCnCDTC Championship Show – 29-30 March 2025**

#### **Saturday:**

Beginners – 1st Wayne McLellan & Zoom

Novice – 1st Colin Wafer & Murphy, 2nd  
Linda Blair & Maple

Test C – 3rd Helen McLellan & Flicka

CD Silver – Linda Blair & Lotte, Colin  
Wafer & Murphy

#### **Sunday:**

Novice – 1st Colin Wafer & Murphy, 2nd  
Linda Blair & Maple

Test C – 2nd Janice Kirk & Question

# CLASS REPORTS



## ELEMENTARY/BEGINNER OBEDIENCE INTRODUCTION

Our EL/BO class kicked off in early 2025, giving six handlers and dogs a taste of Obedience sport, with the goal of tackling our Ribbon Trial — and they did just that in April!

Big congrats to Holly, Jodie, Tarsha, Christina, and Susan. Judge Bernadette Thompson was impressed by both the standard and enthusiasm. Plus, a special shout-out to Barry for doing an awesome job as steward on his first time in the ring.

EL/BO classes will continue over winter on the first Monday of the month at 6:15pm. If you've done the Intro and CGC Basics and want to give it a go, contact us — spots are limited.

## SCENT WORK

We also want to give a shoutout to our newbies in the Intro to Scent Work classes you are all going strong, with great numbers attending and Matilda doing a fantastic job leading the sessions. The future is looking sniff-tastic!

The Racecourse remains a fantastic venue, offering both excellent indoor search areas and some exciting outdoor challenges for our teams. We're also well into planning our next Scent Work trial so keep a eye out for details.

# CLASS REPORTS

## AMBERLEY INTRODUCTION

Last week saw the start of Amberley Intro Course 2, with 8 enthusiastic dogs of all shapes, sizes, and abilities joining in the fun.

We're also excited to welcome Lucy Turnbull as our new Assistant Instructor.



Lucy brings a wealth of experience with her team of Blue and Red Heelers. She is currently working with 9-month-old Reece, who is deaf, using sign language — it's truly inspiring to see their connection and teamwork in action.

## AMBERLEY GOLDEN OLDIES

Our Golden Oldies group is going strong every Thursday in Amberley, with plenty of fun and tail wags all around. Gail has introduced some Rally training, adding a fun twist to their sessions. The whole class has now passed their Basics Companion Certificate and are working towards Elementary with some nearly there.

Check out Jan & Johan proudly holding the trophy won by Sophie for Best Manners at a Gate. Sophie nailed it – waiting patiently without command until she was given the go-ahead. What a star!





# WHATS BEEN HAPPENING

## TRAIN THE TRAINERS

We had a fantastic evening at our Train the Trainers session with 13 members and trainers attending to hear from the wonderful Janice. A great night of learning, sharing ideas, and building confidence to help us deliver fun, positive, and effective classes for our club.

Big thanks to everyone who came along and to Janice for sharing her knowledge with us!



## NEW WEBSITE

Have You Checked Out Our New Website?

We've given the NCDTC website a complete makeover, and we're excited to share it with you!

It's now easier than ever to stay up to date with class info, upcoming events, trial results, and club news — all in one place.

[www.ncdtc.co.nz](http://www.ncdtc.co.nz)



# RIBBON TRIALS

Held on 6th April at the always fantastic Loburn Domain, the weather turned it on, and the venue once again delivered a great day of fun and competition.

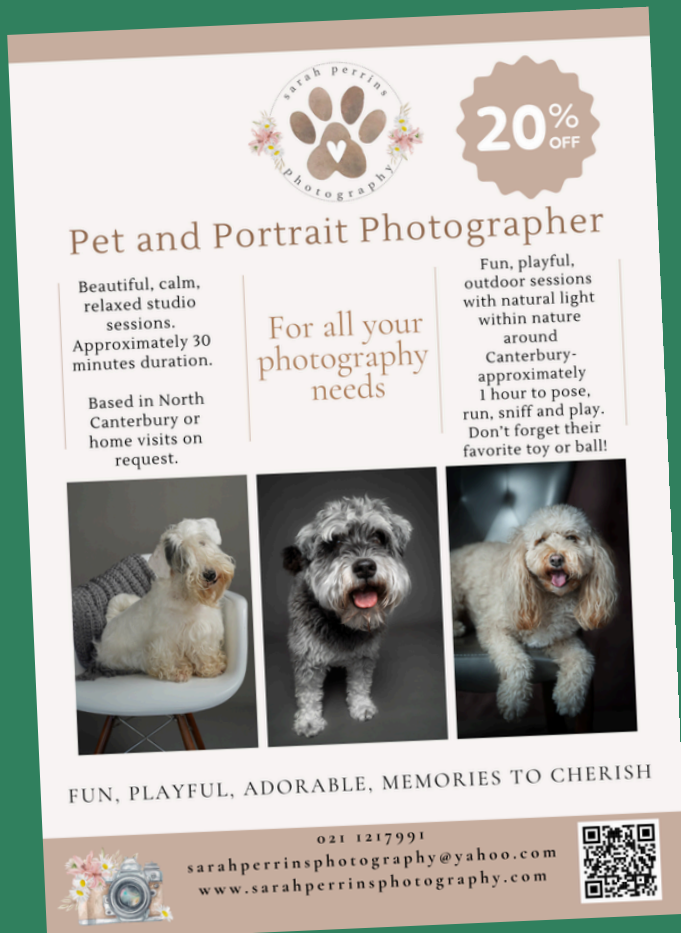
A huge thank you to our incredible judges — Steph Pountley, Carol Lavery, Bernadette Thompson, Shelley Fiddes, and Melissa Evans.

We can't run these events without you — thank you for giving up your day to stand ringside and support our competitors.

Big thanks and congratulations to those from NCDTC who competed, you all did a fantastic job plus we had fantastic entries in Elementary Obedience and Novice A Rally — we hope a few new faces have caught the competition bug! Special shout-out to our stewards and helpers — you're the engine room of the day and we can't thank you enough.

And of course, a massive thank you to our talented photographer, Sarah Perrins Photography, who captured some beautiful moments from the day. If you haven't grabbed your pics yet — don't miss out! This is your last chance before they're gone.

PLUS Sarah is offering an exclusive 20% discount for private pet photoshoots — a perfect way to capture your furry friends in style. Check out the event gallery and book your session here: Sarah Perrins Photography



The flyer for Sarah Perrins Photography features a circular logo with a paw print and the text 'sarah perrins photography'. A starburst graphic indicates a '20% OFF' discount. The text describes the photographer as a 'Pet and Portrait Photographer' who offers 'Beautiful, calm, relaxed studio sessions. Approximately 30 minutes duration.' and is 'Based in North Canterbury or home visits on request.' It also mentions 'Fun, playful, outdoor sessions with natural light within nature around Canterbury - approximately 1 hour to pose, run, sniff and play. Don't forget their favorite toy or ball!'. Three photographs of dogs are shown: a white dog on a chair, a black dog, and a long-haired dog. The bottom of the flyer includes the tagline 'FUN, PLAYFUL, ADORABLE, MEMORIES TO CHERISH', the phone number '021 1217991', the email 'sarahperrinsphotography@yahoo.com', the website 'www.sarahperrinsphotography.com', and a QR code.

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# OUR DETAILS

Have questions or concerns? Your instructors are here to help! Feel free to reach out to them directly using the contact details below. For general inquiries, you can also contact a member of the committee. We're always happy to assist.

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