

NEWSLETTER

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Events This Quarter

- 2003 Royal Melbourne Show: September 19th

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THE YEAR AHEAD FOR KELPIES

Welcome to the new look Australian Kelpie Club of Victoria's quarterly newsletter edition 'Number 58'.

We would like to make this newsletter yours and we welcome all contributions members may have, whether they be old tales, show and trial news or better still pictures of your champions in action.

The regular committee reports and show results will of course be included. It will also be a chance to welcome new members and gather ideas for the club to grow.

We encourage past members to rejoin the fold and let us know what you have been doing since last we met. What have your kelpies been up to?

In this age of computers, we like to think that contributions can be sent in perfectly formatted documents. We understand this is not always possible, however we don't want to discourage any budding newsletter stories. So send us a note and we will do our best to whip your story into shape. We also wish to use e-mail as much as we can, so we will be contacting you shortly to update our records.

So sit back and enjoy the newsletter and to coin a well worn phrase.... *Go Kelpies*



DO YOU REMEMBER....

The club has often spoken of introducing a piece in our Newsletters to reacquaint ourselves with past members and important prefixes of the breed. In this edition we remember Heather Healey (page 6).

In future editions we welcome your input. If you wish to nominate a member or prefix whose tale is important to the breed and history of the club, please drop us a line, keep it to a page and maybe a photo.



*"The Australian Kelpie...
a willing worker,
companion and friend"*

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the Australian Kelpie Club of Victoria as another year commences.

I am indeed privileged to assume the position of President of the Club which I have been a member of for over 10 years. Thanks to those who ticked the box in the recent elections and to Steve Gambling, the past President of the Club, for his hard work and commitment. Thanks also to last years Committee and welcome to new Committee members and Club appointments. On behalf on the Club, we really do appreciate the effort one puts into these roles, sometimes thankless as it may be.

As the **Royal Melbourne Show 2003** rapidly approaches, I am sure preparation for a strong result is well in hand. Don't forget, its **Friday 19 September** and we would love to see as many past members and friends of the Club as possible. Please invite your friends! We expect several entries from interstate, boosting the high standard of the event. A raffle on the day is likely, so bring along the "glove box" coins. We will also be preparing a one page flyer to entice show visitors to support the Kelpies. After all, this is how I joined the Club.

Congratulations to Dianne Kent and her dog Oatland Picaninny, achieving 'Best in Show' at the Brisbane Royal Show last month. Oatland Picaninny is the first Australian Kelpie to achieve this Royal Show distinction. A truly magnificent performance by this two and a half year old bitch, in full season on the day! Dianne has agreed to send us a story and a photo for the next Newsletter. I for one can't wait.

Congratulations to Carol and Len Hobday and their Grand Champion Klassikelp Rap Dancer winning 'Best of Breed' at the Royal Adelaide Show on Saturday 30 August 2003.

Whilst on important results, it was pleasing to hear so many Australian Kelpies making their mark on the world stage. Kelpie Day at the World Show in Germany this year saw BOB Mountain Mist Strummer bred by the Shaw's of Queensland. Best Bitch was Kalan Sky Elite bred by our own Joy Wangler. Well done.

The challenge this year is to grow our membership and to filter all aspects of breeding, showing, trialing, herding and owning a Kelpie through the Club and its friends. I look to all members in this respect.

Looking at the Show schedules for 2005, no I am not kidding, I see we need to set a venue. Is there any interest in holding the show closer to our member base? Just a thought and something we will be canvassing during the year. It may be the perfect opportunity to split our Open and Championship Shows again. Let's have a think about it.

The Web Site! A very important part of the Club that we need to revamp! I am pleased to report that work has begun. We encourage you to reacquaint yourself with the site at home.vicnet.net.au/~kelpie. We will be looking to update the photographs shortly so check the albums and let us know if you have some good shots.

I am inspired by the challenge and confident the year ahead will be a strong one. Look forward to seeing you at the 'Royal'.

Stephen Stoddart

My lengthy report has overrun the Secretary's report this edition. Sorry Joy, we promise to include a piece next time and also include the results of the Royal Melbourne Show.



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ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW’S FROM A BYGONE ERA

The Royal Melbourne Show is upon us all again. Kelpies in and out of coat, washing grooming, practicing each dog’s gait and getting ready for all those tricks to prick those velvet ears.

Its quite opportune to remember some past winners. I wonder if you can recall these names, both owners and dogs. Do any of these kelpies live in the bloodlines of our current strains? Let’s have a look, shall we.

1953 “Coronation Show”

2,242 Entries with 47 Kelpies

Challenge Dog: T. Brennan’s Ch. Viewhill Stormy
Challenge Bitch: W. Crowley’s Ch. Narganoo Scrap

(No Best of Breed in existence in this year)

1973

5,267 Entries with 22 Kelpies

Challenge Dog: C. Allnutt’s Ch. Ballure George Dee
Challenge Bitch: C. Russell’s Bush Echoes Quick Silver

Best of Breed: Ch. Ballure George Dee

1983

6,251 Entries with 63 Kelpies

Challenge Dog: C. Walker’s Tollbar Wyamber
Challenge Bitch: G. Rogers’ Happy Valley Ocker

Best of Breed: Happy Valley Ocker

1993

Numbers unavailable

Challenge Dog: M. Colyer’s Wingdari Uluru
Challenge Bitch: R. Cocker’s Kelpland Annie Oakley

Best of Breed: Wingdari Uluru

2003

32 Kelpies

Challenge Dog:
Challenge Bitch:

Best of Breed: *Will it be You?*

Good luck to competitors this year.



*“1996 Royal Agility Event
A great result for the Kelpie”*

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

From a humble little black pup looking for a home to a loved family member and incredibly good agility dog. That was our dog Roxanne, and the reason why the Stoddart family became members of the Kelpie Club.

Alas in her 14th year we lost her, but not before providing us and our friends with plenty of valuable memories. None so impressive as a win in the 1996 Royal Melbourne Show Agility event. A great year for the Kelpie with the Trifecta.

The ‘Royal Agility’ results read:

1. Roxanne
2. Avenpart Niftee
3. Bushland Ringer



Roxanne CDX ADM
25/11/89—23/6/03

You will recall David Barnes’ dog Bushland Ringer. David and I were training partners and achieved a magnificent result. Unfortunately ‘Niftee’ the red and tan working dog got between us, however she was a former ‘Royal’ winner herself, which speaks volumes for the breed.

Roxanne went on to achieve an ‘Agility Dog Master’, one of the first of the breed to achieve that accolade. We remember her in this Royal Melbourne Show edition. *Stephen Stoddart*

OBEDIENCE, AGILITY AND HERDING

The newsletter reintroduces a regular update on obedience, agility and herding. Results from our members and potential members who have kelpies of note is important to the club and is likely to add the necessary blend of members to our club to promote growth and once again challenge other working dog clubs.

In this edition we can sing the praises of a past committee member, breeder and show enthusiast who has turned her skills to ‘Herding’. Cass Robertson recently gained her third pass and title in Level 1 of this discipline with her dog Ch. Shearers Mate Cherry.

Ch. Shearers Mate Cherry is the first ANKC registered Australian Kelpie to achieve this status. A fine effort indeed. The kelpies are really turning it on in 2003!

Cass has agreed to put pen to paper for the next edition and provide a snapshot of her champion in action.

We are keen to hear other results, so don’t be shy. The last page of this Newsletter will include a request for information if you are active in any of these pursuits so we can keep a track of your efforts.

Don’t forget to let us know how you are doing and good luck with those titles.



"It was "Patsy" who well and truly left her mark on the breed and took up a big place in my heart"

DO YOU REMEMBER.....

Heather Healey (Dodson)

Kethran Kennels have been going since the early 1970's with breeding and then showing Chihuahuas however my involvement with Kelpies began when my son's as they were growing up refused to handle the "chi's" and wanted a "decent" dog.

Our first Kelpie Ch Bushland Fyrelight arrived on the scene and was shown to her title. Unfortunately we were never able to breed from "Tarka" (as she known to us) although we tried a number of times.

Due to the generosity of Marlene Martin, we were given Ch Bushland Miss Patsy to again try our luck at breeding. Low and behold our luck changed and "Patsy" became a mum of six puppies on 14 March 1987. One of these pups, Kethran Rural Lad (Laddie as he was known) was given to a local lass in Longwood and attained his title. Laddie and his brother were true working Kelpies with a large Merino/Dorset stud.

As "Patsy" wasn't getting any younger (9 years old). On Marlene's advice we mated her again and on Christmas morning, after a very long night, the darling produced 6 puppies yet again. It was a real struggle to keep both Mum and her babies going through a horrendous summer of 44C, hence their names of Redhot Aussie, Fireban, Heatwave, Deepheat and of course Xmas Cheer and Rebel Rouser. This was our greatest success at breeding, with I believe all of these pups gaining their titles and being the parents of titled offspring.

It was with great pleasure and pride that I brought "Patsy" down for one of the Kelpie Club Champ Shows. The photo was taken of her (and me) at the head of the line followed by many of her champion children and grandchildren.



Although we had other kelpies and help over our time with the breed from other breeders, it was "Patsy" who well and truly left her mark on the breed and took up a big place in my heart. We never bred from her again, but she lived to over 17 years of age. "Patsy" is buried in her favourite spot, where she watched for the fox to come near the chook pen.

I am still very much involved in the dog world with my Chihuahuas and yes, I also had a daughter who when growing up thought that Schipperkes were just a half way measure between her older brother's kelpies and mum's Chi's, so I now have added these little fellas to the group.

Heather Healey (Dodson)
Kethran Kennels

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QUESTIONNAIRE



“Activities that bring the club together”

Name:

Prefix:

Address:

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Phone:

E-Mail:

- Pursuits:**
- Breed Showing
 - Obedience
 - Agility
 - Herding

How many shows or trials do you compete in each year?

Number of Dogs:

Club Promotions.

Which items most appeal to you and your friends? Pick as many as you wish.

- Pens
- Stickers
- Key rings
- Badges
- Fridge Magnets
- Stubby Holders
- Mugs
- Teaspoons
- Postcards
- Caps
- Polo Shirt
- Windcheaters
- Calendar
- Show/Golf Umbrella
- Other Ideas

Activities that bring the club together.

- Member’s Competitions
- Christmas BBQ
- Fun Day/Training Day
- Dinner at the “Trots”
- Sunday lunch at the pub
- Other Ideas

Thank you for your support in completing this questionnaire. We trust we can plan a big year for the Club.

AUSTRALIAN KELPIE CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM



“With your support the Australian Kelpie Club of Victoria can grow”

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Thanks you for your support of the Australian Kelpie Club of Victoria Inc. All memberships include a copy of the quarterly Newsletter. If you need more information about owning, caring, training or buying an Australian Kelpie, please call:

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