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## TEVRA TIMES

### From The Boss

Well we are now well into the season of brown grass, dust and algae bloom in the rivers. Unfortunately, this year there are very few rivers suitable for swimming your dogs. Please refer to the article on algae bloom further in this newsletter. Our dogs have only had beach swimming this summer which is really rather sad for them but not worth taking the risk.

We are well back into training again now with CGC assessments being planned for May and our classes continuing to grow. I am just so pleased to have such dedicated instructors taking a number of these. Thank you to Carol, Barbara, Colin, Alastair, Gail, Ginnie, Jenny and Steve. Really appreciate you guys.

We have assessments for all levels of Canine Good Citizens coming up in March and May so all the best luck to you all.

### REMINDER

All dogs with Tevra at Ouruhia **MUST** be on lead when exiting vehicles. The lead must remain on and may only be removed when required for the class.

*Janice*



## Competitive Obedience

We are right in the middle of the competitive obedience season with some excellent results. Great to see new handlers coming through and also some of the older (or more experienced!!) handlers coming back into the group again. Training methods have changed so much in the past 15 years that it does take some hard work to get back into the competitive ring.

One of the highlights this year would have to be a training workshop with Anna Herzog from the UK following on from her visit last year. Anna is an amazing trainer, motivator and presenter. For someone of her youth she has such a natural talent as

well as being a pleasure to have stay with you. She is planning on coming back next year so start saving up as she is well worth while going to.

Carol is continuing with the Wednesday training at Ouruhia while I have my Friday group from here as well as individuals on a Saturday morning between 9 am and 10 am.



Mary (AKA Cybil) winning Novice at CCOC last weekend.



## Rally-O

This year has got off to a rather bitty start with my house sitting and shows taking up some Saturdays, and people having family and/or work commitments. Those of you who have been able to turn up have had a fairly cruisy time, but beware – once I'm back home I'll be putting up some rather more "interesting" courses!!

Melinda, Tony and I attended the Triple Rally-O shows at Christchurch Dog Training Club last month and had some very good results. Melinda and Marnie gained another leg towards their Rally Advanced Excellent (only one to go – which means 10 rounds of between 95-100 in Advanced and 10 of 100 out of 100 in Excellent. No mean task !!). Tony and Nimitz gained their Rally Advanced title. I ran both Casper and Barbara Broadhurst's dog Robbie in Novice and they both gained their Rally Novice titles. Nicky Roughton who lives in Nelson but "distance trains" with Tevra gained Rally Excellent with Bracken and Rally Advanced Excellent with Jema. All up the four of us with 5 dogs we had 1 x 1<sup>st</sup> place (well done Tony!), 11 x 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 5 x 3<sup>rd</sup> place and 3 qualifying rounds not placed!! Not bad going!!



Advanced A: Tony 1<sup>st</sup> Judith 2<sup>nd</sup>



Advanced B: Nicky 2<sup>nd</sup> Melinda 3<sup>rd</sup>

A big thank you to Ginnie who comes in early to help me put up and test the courses on Saturday mornings - and to all those who help me clear up afterwards!!.



Training dates for **March: 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>** - weather and other factors permitting!!

*Gail*



## Cancellations



We will endeavour to contact you by 8.00am on the day by email or text and a message will be posted on Facebook if training is cancelled. However occasionally we need to cancel later in the day due to changeable weather, so if you are in one of the later classes or have a long way to come please be sure to keep checking your devices.



## Agility

Our agility classes have also continued to grow in popularity with classes at 10 am (advanced) and 11 am (beginners) on a Saturday from Ouruhia and 10 am on a Sunday from Leithfield. Agility is a lot of fun for both the handler and the dog but you must have really good control over your dog before going into this class.

The agility gear is completely out of bounds unless you are under Colin's instruction at the time.

If you are either part of the agility group or in the vicinity of those who are training please have your dog under control as this dog sport creates a high adrenaline rush in many dogs which may manifest itself in fights.



In order to train in our agility group you must have attended Tevra classes and your dog must be over 12 months for pre agility and 18 months to be able to jump the full course.



Casper: "Follow me Lil' Bro I'll show you the best sheep poo" Andy: "Just here Big Bro?"

## Payment Terms

Unfortunately, due to the time taken checking on D/C payments and in some cases having to chase people up all payments for classes will now have to be in cash unless you have specifically contacted Janice prior to the class.



## Pet Dog Manners Class

These classes are the first that you come into after your initial one on one session with either me or with Margaret. This class is where we teach you to enjoy your dogs' company and to make it interesting for him to be with you. This is the class I feel that handlers make the most progress and it is so satisfying to watch you and your dog progress. One part of this class I really do enjoy is the look of amazement from the handler when their dogs stays in a drop while they walk off in a circle during our competitions. See it really can happen.

This class generally lasts for around 6 – 8 weeks before we move you on into the CG Basics class. By this time, you have learned the benefit of connecting with your dog.





We have another Pet Dog Manners class starting this coming Saturday and the following one (9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>) from Ouruhia and from Leithfield on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March.



## Canine Good Citizen Foundation Class

My Foundation class have been working hard. The dogs have mastered being handled and groomed by another handler. The food manners test was initially hard for some dogs, but not for my willing helpers who are prepared to eat potato chips while the dogs look on. All dogs now sit and wait patiently until they are released.

This class has good control of their dogs, performing the 'meet and greet' exercise, dog waiting while owners go through the door and dog meeting a stranger with ease. While we thought the four minutes tied up stay would take forever it flew by last week as the group all chatted several paces from their dogs. Some dogs looked a little anxious but they all behaved very well.

We are continuing with flyball, some of the dogs not only jump several jumps but also tap the flyball machine to catch the ball. Very impressive to watch!

In a couple of weeks we will head to a shopping centre to test the dogs exercises with lots of distractions, like a sausage sizzle, shopping trolleys, lots of people, children, prams etc. The CGC Assessment will be held 11 May and this group will definitely be ready to be assessed. Good luck to you all!

*Ginnie*



# Canine Good Basics (CGB)

This class is the start of your journey towards making your dog into a Canine Good Citizen which is a DogsNZ recognised qualification which is awarded to dogs who can remain calm and under control in all situations. The CGB syllabus is designed for young or inexperienced dogs and is very achievable by most dogs as it involves very basic skills. You will be assessed and if you pass you will receive a certificate along with a ribbon. Your time in this class is usually around a further 6 weeks. The next assessment for CG Basics will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March from Leithfield and Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March from Ouruhia and will involve Ginny's 10 am class and my 11am class on a Saturday along with Alastair's 11am Sunday class.

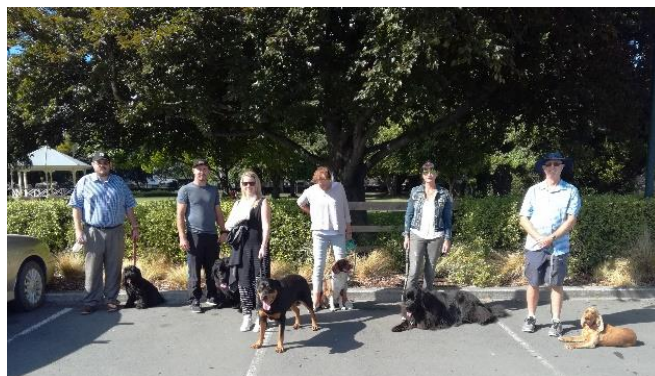


# Canine Good Citizen (CGC)

Canine Good Citizens (CGC) is the next part of the journey and involves 4 levels – Foundation, Bronze, Silver, Gold.

Tevra handlers are training for all levels. We have an assessment on Saturday 11th May for all levels which will involve Steve's 9.30am, Barbara's 10 am, Ginnie's 10 am classes on Saturday and Alastair's evening class. In these classes you get to go on street walks around the area including Supermarkets and Malls. By this time it is really satisfying as an instructor to see how the group have built a very strong camaraderie with total support for each other.

As you complete each section you receive an award from DogsNZ which can then be added to your dog's name if it is registered with DogsNZ.



# OURUHIA DOMAIN

We are fortunate to have this area for training so just a reminder to park (tidily) on the grass verge beside the first area. Also, to ensure you pick up **all** your dog's droppings (which I'm sure you all do anyway!).

Dog must be on lead at all times, unless the particular exercise you're working on requires them to be off.

**PARK 2 (THE ONE WITH THE CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND) IS OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL TEVRA DOGS ON SATURDAYS**

Please be aware that we are under public scrutiny all the time we're there.



## ALGAE BLOOM



### Common signs to watch for:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhoea
- Blood in stool or black, tarry stool
- Pale mucous membranes
- Jaundice
- Seizures
- Disorientation
- Coma
- Shock
- Excessive secretions (e.g., salivation, lacrimation, etc.)
- Neurologic signs (including muscle tremors, muscle rigidity, paralysis, etc.)
- Blue discoloration of the skin and mucous membranes

- Difficulty breathing
- Death

Cyanobacteria (also known as blue-green algae) are microscopic bacteria found in freshwater lakes, streams and ponds. They can produce toxins that affect people, livestock and pets that swim in and drink from the algae-contaminated water. Blue-green algae grow and colonise to form “blooms” that give the water a blue-green appearance or a “pea soup” like colour. It also looks like blue or green paint on the surface of the water. Algal concentrations vary throughout the year, but are most abundant during periods of hot weather in mid- to late-summer months. Very small exposures, such as a few mouthfuls of algae-contaminated water, may result in fatal poisoning.

Dogs that enjoy swimming and playing in lakes and ponds may be exposed to blue-green algae. Hunting dogs are especially predisposed due to increased exposure outdoors. Aggressive, immediate treatment is necessary to help treat this quick-acting, potentially fatal poison!

### What Should I Do?

If the dog is awake and alert:

- **Do NOT induce vomiting**
- If the product is corrosive or irritating, make water available
- Call your local Vet

If the dog is unconscious, having difficulty breathing, or having a seizure:

- Take the dog to the vet immediately

### What Else Should I Do?

When you call a Vet, they will ask you a few questions about the poisoning.

Identify the poison

- Empty containers
- Chewed up material
- Smells
- Residue around the pet's mouth
- Fragments in the pet's vomit

How much has the dog ingested?

- How much was in the container in the beginning?
- How much is missing?

Establish if the dog has any symptoms - animals cannot tell us where it hurts, you will need to look carefully

- Evidence of an upset stomach (vomit, not eating)
- Excessive drooling
- Weakness or excitement
- Breathing rate
- Body temperature





# Vaccination Protocol

Puppies can be vaccinated from 6 weeks of age. It is best for your vet to see the puppy in the litter and have a chat with you when you get the puppy, they can then see what (if anything) they have had and discuss a vaccination plan.



The puppies will receive Vanguard plus 5 vaccinations every 3 to 4 weeks until they are at least 13 or 14 weeks old. The reason for this is that maternal antibodies received in the colostrum may still be present until that age and if they are, those puppies may not react to the Vanguard plus 5 vaccination. The total number of vaccinations will depend on the age of the puppy at its first vaccination. For example, a puppy getting its first vaccination at 6 weeks old should get follow up vaccinations at about 10 and 14 weeks. However if a puppy goes in for its first vaccination at 9 or 10 weeks it would only need one more, at 13 or 14 weeks.

Puppies will receive one canine cough vaccination at their first or second vaccination, depending on age, personality, etc. However if the injectable canine cough vaccination is used, a booster will be needed 3 to 4 weeks later.

Puppies will get another Vanguard plus 5 vaccination when they go to be neutered at 6 months of age – this one is there to catch any puppies that may not have responded to the initial course due to the persistent presence of maternal antibodies. These may be present past 14 weeks in up to 10% of puppies and would prevent them from responding adequately to the Vanguard plus 5 vaccination.

Any puppy/dog presenting after 6 months of age for its first vaccination will only need a single Vanguard plus 5 and canine cough vaccination and then have yearly canine cough and 3 yearly Vanguard plus 5 vaccinations.

The canine cough vaccination will need a yearly booster and the Vanguard plus 5 needs to be repeated every 3 years. The canine cough will be done a year after the last puppy vaccination (not the 6 month one) ie at about 15 months old. Then a year after that, canine cough, and then at 3 years (ish) Vanguard plus 5 and canine cough. Then canine cough yearly and Vanguard plus 5 every 3 years.

Leptoguard is used for dogs that will be going to the North island or spending time in the backcountry up around Nelson. All dogs getting this for the first time will need a course of two vaccinations 3 to 4 weeks apart. They will then need a yearly booster. Leptoguard can be used as the diluent for Vanguard plus 5.

Example: 6 weeks old puppy taken in for first vaccination

6wks	10wks	14wks	6mths	1yr (and a bit)	2yrs (and a bit)	3yrs	4yrs	5yrs	6yrs
V5	V5&KC	V5	V5	KC	KC	V5&KC	KC	KC	V5&KC

Key: V5 = Vanguard plus 5  
KC = Kennel Cough

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## BLACK HAWK DOG FOOD

(Prices as at 1 January 2019)

BH Lamb / Rice	20 kg	\$135.00
BH Chicken / Rice	20 kg	\$135.00
BH LB Chicken / Rice	20 kg	\$140.00
BH P Chicken / Rice	20 kg	\$140.00
BH LBP Chicken / Rice	20 kg	\$140.00
BH Lamb / Rice	10 kg	\$80.00
BH Fish / Potato	20 kg	\$145.00
GF Salmon	15 kg	\$150.00
GF Chicken	15 kg	\$150.00

With advanced notice I am able to bring it into Ouruhia on a Saturday.



Please *do* become a friend of Tevra Dog Training so that you can keep up with what we are doing and also see the numerous photos of our members that we put up. We would also really appreciate any reviews you may wish to make (nice ones!!)



# Tevra Boarding / Day Care Kennels

We have fully fenced secure areas. Five sheds accommodate 12 dogs with enclosed kennels and runs. Various other kennels and runs suitable for dogs of all sizes as well as a family area with their own runs and fenced area.



Most of you will have seen our kenneling set up, but those who haven't are welcome to come and view by appointment.

We are keeping the number of dogs limited, with a preference towards dogs that are trained in the Tevra system and are therefore socially well behaved dogs able to play together in the paddock when not resting in their kennels.



**We are already getting bookings for Christmas this year, so if you want to book your dogs in – better do it soon!!**

## Board and Train

We also have a Board and Train option, where you can leave your dog with me and I will train him and have a follow up session with you going over all the work that has been done.

For further information contact Janice

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Michel is branching out to share his love of dogs through photography and we were delighted with the photos he took of our dogs.



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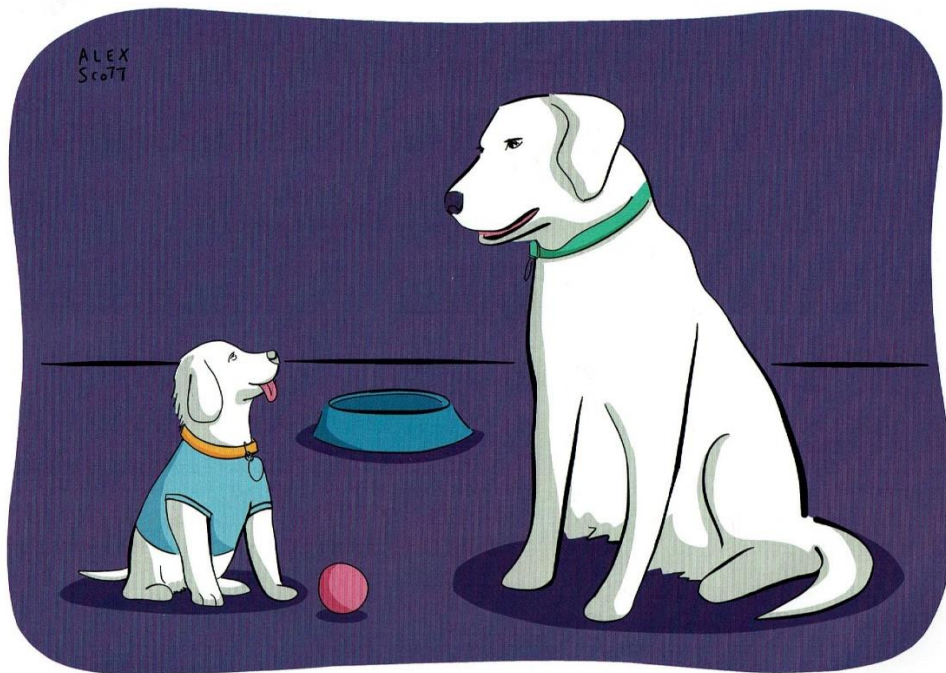
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*"Doggy daycare? Canine college? In my day everyone was home-schooled."*