



Bordertales

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Happy New Year!



Gr Ch. Nahrof Enough Said
Owned by S Hannigan/L Somers/E Badior
BEST IN SHOW
Border Collie Club of NSW, October 2007

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MEETINGS

- **General Meetings** are held the **FIRST TUESDAY** of every **even** month.
- **Next General Meeting: 5th February 2008** at 7.30 pm, Amenities Building, Canine Complex Erskine Park. The Club welcomes ALL members and their guests.
- **Committee Meetings** are held alternate months.

News, views & opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the correspondents and not those necessarily of those of the club, it's committee and publicity officer.

Our Cover

Gr Ch Nahrof Enough Said

(Sire: Gr Ch Nahrof Say No More x Dam: Ch Wiralee Moon Shadow)

When "Caleb" won Best in Show at the club's 2007 October show he created a bit more breed history becoming the fourth generation (on a direct sire line) to win this event. He follows his sire Gr Ch Nahrof Say No More, his grandsire Aust/Eng Sh Ch Nahrof No Comment and his great grandsire Grand/Am Ch Nahrof First Edition who won the event an incredible 7 times!

Caleb is also the 8th Nahrof dog or bitch to win a speciality challenge at our club show. Our thanks to Sharon Hannigan for handling him to this lovely win.

Lauren Somers & Errol Badior
Nahrof Border Collies

President's Report

Compliments of the season and welcome to the first edition of Bordertales for 2008 - this is a special issue (thanks Tiffany for the extra effort you have put in) as there are several important matters which can't wait until February. The nominations for our 2009 judging panels have been received and collated and these are included later in the newsletter - please take the time to think about your preferences and then get your votes back to our secretary Ann as soon as possible. There is also a request for items for inclusion on the agenda for the next NBC meeting - the only way to get matters raised and discussed is if they are on the agenda so if you have matters of importance that you want raised and discussed, please send them in. The National Breed Council is not just about National shows, it is the way in which we can have a 'voice' with the ANKC on breed related matters - which are many and varied. Your input and support will make sure that the NBC is a relevant and viable entity.

Thanks to one of our current committee, Lyn Cook, who has offered to take on the role of show secretary for conformation events - this will prove a great help and allow Alice Baxter to concentrate on the performance and herding events - the work load doing all events was just getting too much for Alice on her own - that is one of the problems when you are involved with a breed that 'does it all'!!

Whilst on the subject of shows.....our next club show and trial is already looming on the horizon and whilst it is great to come along and compete and win some lovely prizes and sashes at these events, unfortunately it seems to always be the same people who step up every show when it comes to class sponsorship.....I think that it is time to share the load.....so, if you haven't sponsored a class or an award at our shows before then here is your chance to make a contribution!! Sponsorship will be acknowledged in the catalogue and your generosity will certainly be appreciated!!

Until next time.....

Lauren Somers

BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF NSW (INC)

TREASURERS REPORT AS AT JANUARY 1, 2008

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD AS AT 1st DEC 2007

\$ 476.63

INCOME

MEMBERSHIP	112.50	
DISEASE DONATION	20.00	
MISC SHOW – DRINK SALES	9.30	
INTEREST – COMMONWEALTH	0.22	
		142.02

EXPENSES

PUPPY SALES	75.00	
BORDERTALES	137.64	
DOGS NSW – COMPLEX HIRE	51.15	
MISC – JUDGES EXPENSES	68.54	
MISC –JUDGES GIFTS OCT SHOW	15.00	
		347.33

ACCOUNT BALANCE

271.32

LESS UNPRESENTED CHEQUES

33.00

HIGH INTEREST ACCOUNT

OPENING BALANCE	11,558.07	
NETT TRANSFERS		
INTEREST ACCRUED	63.31	
CLOSING BALANCE		11621.38

TOTAL ALL FUNDS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007

\$ 11,859.70

DISEASE FUNDS HELD IN GENERAL ACCOUNT

\$2,723.98



The October 2006 BCC of NSW show DVD/video production are now available for sale.
The April 2007 show is in the final stages of completion and will be available shortly.
We also still have copies of the 2007 Sydney Royal Border Collie judging available.

Costs are:

Sydney Royal 2007 DVD - \$20 + postage of \$5 (within Aust - other locations t.b.a)

October 2006 Champ show - \$30 + postage of \$5 (within Aust - others t.b.a)

If you are interested in obtaining a copy of these please forward your payments, payable to Border Collie Club of NSW Inc c/- 42 Belmore Road, Bringelly, NSW 2171.

HERDING UPDATE

Border Collie Herding Training

Firstly, to all members and their dogs, a very happy New Year, and I hope that 2008 will bring lots of happiness and inspiring achievements. Just to catch everyone up with what is happening with Herding training.....

The Sporting Committee of Dogs NSW have decided that they will take over the training days in 2008 on the Saturdays. This decision was made because of the number of clubs wanting to run training days and there were just not enough days in the month for everyone to have a day. All members are welcome to go to the training days that the Sporting Committee will run and there will be instructors there to help run the days. They also have decided to run training on Wednesdays at Erskine Park in 2008 which again all are welcome to.

However the little snag at the time of writing is that we have no sheep to train on at Erskine Park as they have all been sold!! There is hope that we will have new sheep back by March however, these new sheep will have to be worked down to be able to be used by beginners before training can resume. This is quite a dilemma as it is not good for dogs to be off the sheep for this long a period of time, but we have been lucky enough that our BC Chief Instructor of herding, Colin Webster has stepped in and opened up his home at Bathurst for members to be able to train their dogs.

We had a weekend in December which was very enjoyable and once again we all learned something new from Colin. Our next training weekend is the 12th and 13th January. (if you come up Friday night we all can have a night at the local club and have a nice early start Saturday) Camping is available and training for the weekend is \$5. Please contact Ann Moy if you would like to come to book and for further details 0247541937 or ularabcollies@ozemail.com.au

Hope to see you out herding in 2008!

Cheers
Ann

IMPORTANT NOTICES

EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE

The date for the BCC of NSW's March show and trials appearing in the DogsNSW January Journal is **INCORRECT**

The **CORRECT DATE** for this event is **SATURDAY 29TH MARCH 2008**

NOT Sunday 29th March 2008

NBCC ITEMS

1. SECRETARY, NBCC

Nominations for the position of **Secretary, National Border Collie Council** are now being called and need to be submitted prior to our club's next General Meeting which is 5 February 2008. All nominations to be forwarded to the Secretary.

2. AGENDA ITEMS – CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL BREED COUNCILS

Agenda Items for the next conference of National Breed Councils are now being called for. All items to reach the Secretary by 31 January 2008.
All agenda items will be voted on at the 5 February general meeting.

Due to the short deadline involved, there will be no time to publish the items in Bordertales. Members wishing to give their input on any items that are submitted will need to attend the meeting on 5 February.

Breed Stall at the Royal

**Sydney Royal
Sunday 23rd March, Monday 31st March
& Tuesday 1st April 2008**

The Border Collie Club NEEDs Your Help.

Please consider coming along with or without your dog, no experience necessary, the only requirements are:

- Your dog must be very people friendly.
- Your dog must be very tolerant of other dogs sharing a small space.
- You must be keen to share your love of Border Collies with the public.

This promotes our breed and encourages people to seek out ethical breeders via the Border Collie club.

It's a fun day for us as well as the dogs. If you would like more information please call Kelly Gill 02 49981333 or email kerodan@optusnet.com.au

NEW TITLE

Nahrof Dalriadah

**Sire - Aust Gr Ch Nahrof Say No More
Dam - Glentora Tripitaka**

Enniskey gained her UD title in style with a final pass of 199 at the end of September, 2007 and then after resting on her laurels went ahead to achieve her 5 passes for her Obedience Championship on 24th November, 2007 with several 1st places.

Trialing Enniskey is always a challenge. You never know what she is going to do next - like greeting the judge or leaving the ring to say Hi to a passing stranger.

Penny Dalzell

500 POINTS

Aust Ch Nahrof More Than Words HIT

Sire: Gr Ch Nahrof Say No More x Dam: Ch Wiralee Hard Headed Woman

“Grif” was untitled (although not by much!) when he won the dog challenge at Sydney Royal 2007. We are delighted to now report that just 7 months and some 25 show appearances later, he has enjoyed



sufficient ring success to bring his point tally to over 500!

He continued his success at Royal shows by winning the Intermediate Dog class at Brisbane Royal and then Reserve Challenge and R/up Best of Breed at Melbourne Royal. Other notable wins include multi Best in Group and R/up Best in Group awards and Best of Breed wins at major Sydney shows including County of Cumberland, North of the Harbour and the Spring Fair.

A very easy dog to show and a delightful home companion, we look forward to his continued success as he matures.

Proudly owned, bred and campaigned by
Lauren Somers & Errol Badior
NAHROF BORDER COLLIES
www.nahrof.com

Entries Close February 29, 2008

Border Collie Club of NSW Inc

55th Championship Show, Obedience, Agility & Jumping Trials

Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs
44 Luddenham Road, Erskine Park

Saturday, March 29 2008

Classes to be judged: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11 & 18 (dogs & bitches)
Property, Obedience: CCD, CD, Open, UD, UDX,
Agility, Jumping & Gambler: Novice, Excellent, Masters

JUDGES

Mrs M Kay (Qld) Border Collies

Mr P Phelps (NSW) Sire & Offspring, Dam & Offspring, Headed, Gaited, Coated, Footed

Mrs A Yerbury (NSW) Obedience: CCD, CD, UD, UDX

Mrs L Dibbin (NSW) Obedience: Open

Mr K Edwards (NSW) Agility, Jumping & Gamblers: Novice, Excellent, Masters

Veterans Parade during lunch hour

Order of Judging: Property followed by Breed (Not before 10.30am)

Obedience & Agility concurrently

Judging Commences: 9.00am with Property, Obedience & Agility

DogsNSW Representatives: Breed Mrs R Easton, Obedience Mrs S Brazier

Vetting Time: 8.00am – 8.45

Vetting Officer: Mrs D Luker

PRIZES

General Specials: Trophy & Sash

Special Classes: Sash

Obedience & Agility: Trophy & Sash

Entry Fees

Members: \$12.00 first, (\$10.00 subsequent)

Property \$5.00

Non-members: \$15.00 first, (\$13.00 subsequent)

Property \$5.00

Obedience & Agility: \$12.00 first, (\$10.00 subsequent)

Separate Entry Form for each class

Catalogues included in first entry (\$3.00 on day)

Entries Close with: Mrs A Baxter
66B Marsh Rd
Silverdale NSW 2752
Ph (02) 4774 2544

Point Scores: The Australian Working Dog Club of NSW Inc, Cattle, Kelpie, Border Collie & German Shepherd Dog Club of NSW Inc,
All remittances to be made in favour of

Border Collie Club of NSW Inc

Bitches in oestrus may not be shown

Catalogue Advertising..

BCC of NSW Championship Show and Trials – March 2008

START PLANNING NOW !!!

A limited number of pages will be available for advertising in the catalogue. Advertising is open to all dogs (Aust and Overseas) whether they be competing at the event or not. This is a great opportunity to highlight recent achievements or to showcase stud dogs, past, present or future hopefuls. The following competitive rates apply:

**** Black/White Only**

Full Page \$50.00

1/2 Page \$25.00

Ads to be sent directly to Brett Farrell, email brett@benshiva.com by **8th March 2008**.
Electronic submissions are preferred. Payments must be made at the time of booking.
Cheques payable to ***The Border Collie Club of NSW Inc.***

Trophy Donations..

We are now seeking trophy donations for the upcoming Show & Trials. If you haven't sponsored a class/award previously, then please think about doing so, unfortunately sponsorship falls to the same people each time and it would be nice to have some new kennels/exhibitors on board. The following amounts apply:

Best in Show:	\$50.00
Runner Up Best in Show:	\$35.00
Winner of Winners:	\$35.00
Challenges:	\$20.00
Reserve Challenges:	\$15.00
Class in Show:	\$25.00
Opposite Class in Show:	\$15.00
Obedience/Agility/Jumping Winners:	\$15.00

All donations and sponsors will be recognised in the official catalogue. Please email Brett Farrell at the above email address if you can assist.

All contributions gratefully received.

Special Awards

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND !!!

Due to the success of the "special awards" offered last year at the BC extravaganza, we are pleased to advise that four special awards will again be on offer for dogs competing at both the 2008 Sydney Royal and the March 2008 Specialty. The aim of the special awards are to recognise and reward dogs who perform at a consistently high level at both events.

Award	Eligibility	Sponsor
<p>"Supreme Puppy"</p> <p>\$50 Cash Prize</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to puppies aged 6 to 12 months • Puppies MUST be entered at BOTH the Specialty and Sydney Royal. • Puppies may be entered in either Minor Puppy Dog or Bitch or Puppy Dog or Bitch at the Specialty AND • Puppy Dog or Bitch at Sydney Royal • The best performing puppy over both events will be awarded "Supreme Puppy". Points will be allocated to determine the winner. 	<p>Border Collie Club of NSW</p>
<p>"Versatility Award"</p> <p>\$50 Cash Prize</p>	<p>Open to dogs and bitches who achieve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Win or Placing in the conformation ring at either the Specialty or Sydney Royal <p>TOGETHER WITH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A qualifying run in any performance ring at either the Specialty or Sydney Royal. • The award will be for the highest combined score. • Note in the event of no qualifiers, this award will jackpot. 	<p>R and J De Jong Breedmate</p>
<p>"Most Successful Country NSW Exhibitor"</p> <p>\$50 cash prize</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to all exhibitors entered at BOTH the Specialty and Sydney Royal who reside 200km or more outside of the Sydney metro area, within NSW. 	<p>P and T Wheatley Danari Border Collies</p>
<p>"Most Successful Club Member – Performance"</p> <p>\$50 Cash Prize</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to all club members who achieve a qualifying run in any performance ring at BOTH the Specialty and Sydney Royal. The award will be for the highest combined score. 	<p>Border Collie Club of NSW</p>

Please note all awards will be presented at the club's discretion based on results achieved.

BCC OF NSW CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW, OCT 2007

PROPERTY

JUDGE: MR W NICHOLLS (NSW)

Sire and Progeny:

Bordalace Stary Stary Nite & Bordataz Angelic Star (A Cowin)

Dam and Progeny:

Dual Ch (T) Cucriche Bat Outa Hell CDX JD & Blaknwyte Devils Advocat (Camp)

Headed Dog & Best Headed:

Etherial Double it to th Max CD AD JD GD SD SPD (Kernahan)

Headed Bitch:

Bordataz Angelic Star (Cowin)

Coated Dog & Best Coated:

Gr Ch Nahrof Enough Said (Hannigan/Somers/Badior)

Coated Bitch:

Dual Ch (T) Cucriche Bat Outa Hell CDX JD (E & P Camp)

Gaited Dog:

Gr Ch Nahrof Enough Said (Hannigan/Somers/Badior)

Gaited Bitch & Best Gaited:

Ch Bordalace Luck Of The Irish (A Cowin & J King)

Footed:

Ballyann Bebackbymidnite (P & T Buckley)

BREED MS C RAVEN (VIC)

**CHALLENGE DOG, BEST IN SHOW,
OPEN IN SHOW**

Gr Ch Nahrof Enough Said
(Hannigan/Somers/Bador)



**CHALLENGE BITCH, RUNNER UP BEST IN
SHOW, INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW**

Ch Danari Danceth Nite Away (Lisk/Wheatley)



**RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG, OPPOSITE
INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW**

Ch Danari Danceth Waves (Wheatley)



**RESERVE CHALLENGE BITCH, OPPOSITE
OPEN IN SHOW**

Ch Danari Drama Queen (Wheatley)

BABY PUPPY DOG – 6 entries

1. Totachi Wave Breaker (D Shelmerdine) **OPPOSITE BABY IN SHOW**
2. Neeceabe Braveheart (S Hannigan)
3. Araluen Armadeus (G & T Piercy)
4. Maghera Against All Odds (K O'Halloran)

MINOR PUPPY DOG – 5 entries

1. Nahrof Tangled Web (Farrell, Somers & Badior) **OPPOSITE MINOR IN SHOW**
2. Ballyann Bebackbymidnite (P & T Buckley)
3. Bordalace Flash n Dash (A Cowin)
4. Wiralee Total Control (M Ralph)
- 5.

PUPPY DOG – 3 entries

1. Danari Destinedto Thrill (P & T Wheatley) **PUPPY IN SHOW**
2. Nahrof Turn The Page (Somers & Badior)
3. Clanheath Cause A Riot (E Bevk)



JUNIOR DOG – 5 entries

1. Ch Gremaric Cruzin (G Richens) **JUNIOR IN SHOW**
2. Wiralee Roadside Rendevou (M Aldous & M Ralph)
3. Prince BJ NZ from Clan Abby (Imp NZ) CCD HT (K O'Halloran)



INTERMEDIATE DOG – 10 entries

1. Ch Danari Danceth Waves (P & T Wheatley) **OPPOSITE INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW**
2. Syryne Altair O Aquilae (S Fossey)
3. Etherial Double it to th Max CD AD JD GD SD SPD (T Kernahan)
4. Dalheath Signature (M Rockey)

AUST BRED DOG – 5 entries

1. Gr Ch Benshiva Dot Com (B & M Farrell) **A/BRED IN SHOW**
2. Ch Eumundi Space Cowboy (J&L Birch)
3. Ch Caoracu Spellmaster (R Keniry)
4. Ch Bordalace Loch Laddie (A Cowin)



OPEN DOG – 14 entries

Gr Ch Nahrof Enough Said (Hannigan/Somers/Badior) **OPEN IN SHOW**

Ch Nahrof More Than Words HIT (Somers & Badior)

Ch Gremaric Imagery ET (G Richens)

Ch Chalfont Rustic Charm (K Cowled)



Challenge Dog: Gr Ch Nahrof Enough Said

Reserve Dog: Ch Danari Danceth Waves

BABY PUPPY BITCH – 9 entries

1. Classicys Come Dance With Me (D & N Radcliffe) **BABY IN SHOW**
2. Neecabe Murrans Love (S Hannigan)
3. Totachi Piping Hot (D Shelmerdine)
4. Araluen La Bayadere (G & T Piercy)



MINOR PUPPY BITCH – 5 entries

1. Wiralee Tables Turned (M Ralph) **MINOR PUPPY IN SHOW**
2. Bordalace Flash Dancer (A Cowin)
3. Ballyann Colour My World (P & T Buckley)
4. Auldbbrig Lillir Langtry (S Morris)



PUPPY BITCH – 2 entries

1. Tambovale Galatic Lass R Wilson **OPPOSITE PUPPY IN SHOW**
2. Neecabe Star Upona Wish S Hannigan

JUNIOR BITCH – 6 entries

1. Tullacrest Devil In Prada (P & C Smith) **OPPOSITE JUNIOR IN SHOW**
2. Clanheath Whata Surprise (R Wilson)
3. Dykinta Rave On (S Hannigan)
4. Delucapark Classic Dream (D Atkinson)

INTERMEDIATE BITCH – 12 entries

1. Ch Danari Danceth Nite Away (Lisk/Wheatley) **INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW**
2. Ch Nahrof Girl Talk (L Cook)
3. Ch Syryne Vega O Lyrae HT (S Fossey)
4. Konavan Ma Bella Amie (Buckley/Attard)



AUST BRED BITCH – 13 entries

1. Gr Ch Danari Dance Away (P & T Wheatley) **OPPOSITE AUST BRED IN SHOW**
2. Ch Benshiva Wayward Angel (B & M Farrell)
3. Ch Wiralee Lady Darvonville (M Ralph)
4. Ch Totachi Fantasia (D Shelmerdine)

OPEN BITCH – 13 entries

1. Ch Danari Drama Queen (P & T Wheatley) **OPPOSITE OPEN IN SHOW**
2. Ch NZ Star of Phantom O Clan Abby (imp NZ) (K O'Halloran)
3. Ch Wiralee Hard Headed Woman (M Ralph)
4. Ch Nahrof Collectors Item (Farrell/Somers/Badior)

CHALLENGE BITCH: Ch. Danari Danceth Nite Away
RESERVE BITCH: Ch Danari Drama Queen

Photos of class in show winners provided by official photographer Poochpix

2007/2008 OBEDIENCE POINT SCORE

Purpose of Competition

To encourage the handlers and dogs to achieve a consistent high standard in the obedience area, and be rewarded with recognition for their time and efforts

Format of Competition

Each class has its own point score, i.e. Novice, Open and Utility. Handlers are required to submit the following;

1. Qualifying scores (total of three) for the desired class
2. The qualifying scores must be achieved by the handler working his own dog.
3. The 3 scores must be achieved by the same dog.
4. Only 1 score card may be submitted under a particular judge. In the event of multiple exhibits owned/worked by the same handler each dog is required in their total of 3 scores to have achieved these under 3 different judges.
5. Competitors must be financial members of the BCC of NSW Inc prior to the date of the earliest calendar dated qualifying score submitted, and must remain financial members of the BCC of NSW Inc during the running of the competition.
6. The twelve month qualifying period will commence from 1 September 2007 and cease on 31 August 2008.
7. In the event of a tied point score, the exhibitors will be asked to submit a further qualifying card until a winner is determined.
9. Photocopies of the qualifying cards must be sent to the **Secretary, Border Collie Club of NSW by 14 September 2008.**
10. A summary of the aggregates for each class will be published in the next available Bordertales and awards made as soon as possible.
11. The decision of the Committee is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
12. Failure of the competitor to fulfil all the criteria listed above will render their entry null and void.
13. This competition does not require an entry fee.

The 2007/2008 competition is now underway with the qualifying period being 1 September 2007 to 31 August 2008. Competition rules will be published at frequent intervals in Bordertales.

PUPPY SALES REPORT- Jan

There has been one new litter this month :

Tania Piercy 'Araluen'
1099 River Rd
Lower Portland
Ph 02 4575 4035 M 0404 882454
Sire : Cuchriche In The Fast Lane
Dam : Araluen Eleanor Rigby
Whelped : 10.12.107
1M 4F all B/W

Pauline Smith Ph 02 6365 9195 & Chris Cavanagh 02 4837 3070 still have puppies available.

BREEDING GUIDELINES

Following these guidelines will ensure that no puppies that you breed in future will be affected by either CL or CEA. From the dates specified, the BCC of NSW will enforce these as conditions for listing litters on puppy sales.

Individual animals may be DNA tested or they may be declared Clear of either condition by pedigree if both parents are Clear. Copies of DNA results must be provided for the parents or clear ancestors when listing litters on puppy sales.

CL

For litters born from 1st November 2005 both parents must be DNA typed for CL.

Permitted matings will be: CLEAR / CLEAR
 CLEAR / CARRIER

The old rules about not mating animals under 2 years and carriers on the pedigree will no longer apply were DNA results are provided. Litters may be listed under either the new rules or the old rules until 1st November 2005.

CEA

For litters born from 1st January 2006 at least one parent must be DNA Clear for CEA. Permitted matings will be:

CLEAR / CLEAR
CLEAR / CARRIER
CLEAR / AFFECTED
CLEAR / UNTESTED

RESUMES

NOMINATED JUDGES – 2009 BCC OF NSW CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW & TRIALS

Conformation

Miss B. Warman (NZ) - This judge has a lovely manner with both new and old exhibitors and their dogs. She gives you time to prepare and is respectful of all exhibitors. She appears to also have a genuine love and knowledge of our breed.

Mrs Lynn Harrison (SA) - Breed specialist with many years experience as a breeder and exhibitor

Cherry Simmons-Hill (NZ) - I acquired my first rough collie when I was 19 and then got the showing bug. Over the last 40 odd years I have kept my love for the breed and have bred under the Avonia prefix breeding many Champions, Group and in Show winners along the way. I still have a breeding and show kennel of seven rough collies.

I became a working dog judge about 30 years ago and then Gundogs a year or two later. Over the years I have judged in both Australia and New Zealand but it would be many years since I set foot on Australian soil.

Two of the highlights in my judging were judging Best In Show at the Victorian Working Dog Championship Show and judging the collie and Shetland sheepdog show In Newcastle.

I am a life member and past president of both Huntly and Districts Kennel Assn and Waikato and Districts Collie Club.

Much of my showing and judging has been put on the backburner in recent years as I am also a dog groomer and work commitments have taken up many of my weekends.

Now in 2008 this will change and I am looking forward to pursuing my interests on a much more regular basis.

Ms Lorraine Harris (SA) – Has not judged working dogs in NSW to my knowledge.

Property

Mr K Cook - Working Dog Group judge. Breed Aust Cattle Dogs. Long association with Aust Working Dogs.

Mr J Birch – Breed Specialist who has been breeding, exhibiting and judging Border Collies for many years.

Mrs B Skilton – Draws a large entry.

Ms M Thomas – New/recent judge

CCD, Novice, UD, UDX Obedience

Mrs L Ellem - Experienced obedience judge with an interest in the breed.

Herding

Mrs S Fedoryschyn - Club member/past involvement in the breed.