

Working Dog Annual Award Rules 2011

For the period: 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2011

- Refer to the Golden Retriever Club of Victoria Award Regulations for eligibility for awards.
- Eligible Qualifying Certificates and Place Cards must be dated within the award period.
- Results will not be accepted once 30 days have elapsed after the end of the award period.
- Results must be submitted to the Working Dog Awards Officer either on the Working Results form or by submitting a copy of the Qualifying Certificate.
- Copies of Qualifying Certificates or Place Cards (where available) are to accompany the Working Results form.
- Results may be photocopied and sent by post or scanned and forwarded by email.
- The club reserves the right to view original documentation.

Obedience Dog of the Year

- Members will submit three Qualifying Certificates for consideration within 30 days of the end of the award period using the Obedience/Agility Dog of The Year form.
- The allocated points will be the aggregate score of the three highest Qualifying Certificates.
- Eligible Qualifying Certificates are from these Titles:
 - Companion Dog (CD)
 - Companion Dog Excellent (CDX)
 - Utility Dog (UD)
 - Utility Dog Excellent (UDX)
- The dog with the highest aggregate score in the award period will be awarded the "Obedience Dog of the Year" Award.
- In the event of a tied score, the dog with the highest individual qualifying score will be the winner. Should a tie still remain both dogs will be declared equal winners.

Tracking Dog of the Year

- As Tracking Qualifying Certificates do not have points awarded, the following points will be allocated.

Grading	Points Allocated
Pass	1 point
Good	2 points
Very Good	3 points
Excellent	4 points

- Eligible Qualifying Certificates are from these Titles:
 - Tracking Dog (TD)
 - Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX)
 - Tracking Champion (T Ch)
 - Track & Search Dog (TSD)
 - Track Search Dog Excellent (TSDX)
- The dog with the highest number of points in the award period will be awarded the "Tracking Dog of the Year" Award.
- In the event of a tied score, a count back on the number of Excellent gradings will occur, if still a tie then Very Good gradings will be counted, should a tie still remain both dogs will be declared equal winners and Club trophies awarded accordingly.

Agility Dog of the Year

- Members will submit a maximum of seven Qualifying Certificates for consideration within 30 days of the end of the award period using the Obedience/Agility Dog of The Year form.
- The allocated points will be for the submitted seven scores according to the table below.
- The seven submitted Qualification Certificates will contain a maximum of four certificates from the same discipline. (A maximum of four Agility certificates or a maximum of four Jumping certificates can be submitted.)
- Dogs must obtain a pass in order to gain points toward an award.

Points are awarded as follows:

	Novice	Excellent	Masters	Open
Pass	4 points	5 points	7 points	6 points

If a place is gained at an agility trial, then the following additional points are also awarded:

	Novice	Excellent	Masters	Open
First Place	3 points	4 points	6 points	5 points
Second Place	2 points	3 points	5 points	4 points
Third Place	1 point	2 points	4 points	3 points

- Eligible Qualifying Certificates are from these Titles:
 - Agility Dog (AD)
 - Agility Dog Excellent (ADX)
 - Agility Dog Masters (ADM)
 - Agility Dog Open (ADO)
 - Jumping Dog (JD)
 - Jumping Dog Excellent (JDX)
 - Jumping Dog Masters (JDM)
 - Jumping Dog Open (JDO)
- The dog with the highest number of points in the award period will be awarded the “Agility Dog of the Year” Award.
- In the event of a tied score, the dog with the highest accumulated place points will be the winner. Should a tie still remain both dogs will be declared equal winners.

Retrieving and Field Awards

- If more than one Stake is entered on the day, any points gained from a Stake are counted towards a club award.
- Dogs that successfully complete 3 runs in a Retrieving Trial (two runs in a Beginners Test) receive one additional point.
- Dogs that compete in a Field Trial receive one point.
- Dogs must earn at least two points to be eligible for the Field Trial Award.
- The RT Ch Atawhai Tangaroa CD Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the highest combined score from both Field and Retrieving, however you must have points in both disciplines.

Retrieving Dog of the Year

Stake	Winner	Second	Third	QC	CM	DM
Championship	12 points	11 points	10 points		4 points	5 points
All Age	9 points	8 points	7 points		4 points	5 points
Restricted	6 points	5 points	4 points	1 point	4 points	5 points
Novice	3 points	2 points	1 point	1 point		
Beginners	2 points	1 point	1 point			

- Eligible Stakes are:
 - Beginners
 - Novice
 - Restricted
 - All Age
 - Championship
- The dog with the highest number of points in the award period will be awarded the “Retrieving Dog of the Year” Award.

Field Dog of the Year

Stake	Winner	Second	QC	CM	DM
Championship	12 points	11 points		4 points	5 points
Open	9 points	8 points		4 points	
Novice	3 point	2 points	1 point		

- The dog with the highest number of points in the award period will be awarded the “Field Dog of the Year” Award.

Titles

Dogs who earn Titles recognised by DOGS Victoria during the award period will be entitled to a club presentation