



the Weekly Woof

Latest News from DOGS NSW

Friday, 3 July 2026

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~ WHAT'S NEWS THIS WEEK ~

Orchard Hills Grounds Weed Spraying / Poisoning

The Grounds Staff will be carrying out noxious weed spraying across the entire Orchard Hills Grounds, including surrounding carparks, on Monday 6 July and Tuesday 7 July 2026.

We only have a limited opportunity weather wise to undertake the work.

Please note:

- The spray is toxic while wet but becomes safe once dry.
- For safety reasons, the grounds and carparks will be closed to all Members and Visitors during this period.
- The Office will remain open and accessible as normal.

DOGS NSW apologises for any inconvenience this necessary work may cause and appreciates your understanding.

DOGS NSW Insurance Coverage for Affiliates

The new Insurance Certificate of Currency for the period 30th June 2026 to 30th June 2027 and policy wording, are now available on the DOGS NSW website under "Club Resources".

Please refer to our website for the Current Public Liability "Certificate of Insurance," along with the policy wording for your review. This policy has been arranged on behalf of the Royal NSW Canine Council Limited (trading as DOGS NSW) including all declared Affiliates / Breed Clubs.

Please check all terms and conditions that this policy is in accordance with your requirements.

If you have any queries, or require any Interested Parties noted, please email us and we will provide you the advice from our Broker.

Affiliates are advised that if the insurance provided by DOGS NSW does not meet their specific requirements, they are encouraged to seek alternative coverage. One option that allows Affiliates to arrange tailor-made insurance can be found at the link below.

To read the policy documents click on the link to the right.

[Tailor-made Insurance](#)

[Policy Documents](#)

Note to Affiliates Holding Shows and Trials

Please submit your draft schedules and Judges' contracts [together, at the same time.](#)

Submitting both documents concurrently will help streamline the review and approval process and may result in a faster approval timeframe.

New Title Sashes Now Available!



Celebrate your latest achievement with our new title sashes, now available for:

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All sashes are \$37.00 plus \$10 postage.

To place an order, simply complete the attached order form and email it to the office. Your sash will then be sent to you via tracked mail. Click below for the order form.

[Click here for Order Form](#)

Associate Register Dogs Entry into Sporting Trials/Events

At the RNSWCC 2024 Annual General Meeting, RNSWCC Articles of Association, Part 1 – Preliminary, Interpretation (58)(ii) was amended to read as follows:-

(58) “specialist club” means a club or society or other association of persons (SGM 01/09) recognised as such by the RNSWCC which admits to membership breeders and supporters of a specified breed and varieties of that breed of dog and which conducts exhibitions:-

(i) not being trials, at which only dogs of that breed and varieties of that breed are eligible for exhibition; and

(ii) being trials and events, where affiliated breed clubs are permitted to open their trials and events, other than Championship Shows, to any Groups and/or breeds at their discretion. (11/24)

(iii) being trials being conducted by an affiliate specialising in a specific breed within the Working Dog Group, as recognised by the ANKC Ltd from time to time, or registered on the ANKC Ltd Sporting Register, are eligible for exhibition. (11/13)

(iv) being Herding Trials or Earthdog Tests, where dogs of the same breed and all other dogs and breeds listed by the ANKC Ltd from time to time as being eligible for the ANKC Ltd Herding Program or ANKC Ltd Earthdog Tests respectively, are eligible for exhibition. (11/13)

Therefore, in accordance with Interpretation (58)(ii), Specialist Clubs **are entitled** to open their sporting trials/events to Associate Register dogs.

Interested in becoming a Pet Educator?

Would you like to be paid to teach children about responsible pet ownership and behaving safely around dogs?

Do you own a happy, healthy, sociable dog between 18 months - 8 years?

The Responsible Pet Ownership education program is now recruiting Pet Educators in:

NSW - Sutherland Shire, Northern Beaches, Ryde, Waverley, Canterbury Bankstown, Canada Bay, Parramatta, Cumberland, Fairfield, Georges River, Inner West, Lane Cove, Mosman, North Sydney, Shellharbour, Shoalhaven, Kiama, Strathfield,



**Responsible Pet
Education Program**

Hunters Hill, Hornsby, Willoughby, Woollahra

The program's Pet Educators visit kindergartens and schools with their dog to give a short presentation to children about dog safety.

To be eligible to apply, you must own a happy, healthy dog that is 18 months to 8 years old, that resides with you for at least 1 year, and enjoys socialising with children. Your dog will need to pass our suitability test.

The Responsible Pet Ownership education program is provided by the Victorian Government and NSW Government. Successful candidates will be employed in their residing state, by the program's contracted staffing and payroll Provider, Randstad Recruitment as temporary labour hire. Training will be provided (for you and your dog), support and learning opportunities. Hours are during the school terms and are flexible.

More information about the program can be found on the Responsible Pet Ownership education program website. Please click on the link below.

To obtain a Pet Educator Information Pack and details about how to apply, please email: vic.pet@agriculture.vic.gov.au

Applications Close 11.59pm on Sunday 19 July 2026.

Suitable applicants will be invited to dog suitability testing and [interview on Tuesday 4 August 2026](#) at The Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs (DOGS NSW grounds) in Orchard Hills NSW.

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With the rising cost of living continuing to affect households across Australia, we know many pet lovers are feeling the pressure when it comes to pet care costs.

Perfect Pets have prepared a survey to help understand how breeders and the broader pet community is being affected, and also bring together some practical tips to save on pet care.

If you've found ways to save on feeding, grooming, or everyday care, or want to share how the current economy is affecting you and your pets, you can - contribute to the survey here >>

As a thank you, every participant will go into the draw for a chance to win one of three \$150 petrol vouchers.

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From the Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Committee

Attention: Affiliates and Competitors

Judges have expressed concern regarding videoing/photography at shows and trials. It would seem that videos/photos are being taken without the Judge always being aware that such video/photo has been taken. Often the media is then published on social media without consent of the Judge.

Out of courtesy and respect to our Judges, the Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Committee kindly request that all competitors obtain permission from their Judge prior to being filmed in the ring, and that any videos obtained are not posted to social media.

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DOGS NSW July Online Magazine Now Available!

Please click on the link below to view the online edition of DOGS NSW July 2026 magazine.

The image shows the front cover of the 'DOGS NSW' magazine. The title 'DOGS' is in large, bold, gold-outlined letters, with 'NSW' in a smaller, similar font below it. The price 'July \$6.95' is printed in a small font. In the top right corner, there is a circular gold seal with the text 'ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal DOG SHOW FEATURE'. The central image is a full-page photograph of an Afghan Hound standing in a grassy field under a clear blue sky. The dog has long, flowing dark brown and white fur. At the bottom of the cover, there is a dark brown banner with the text 'PURELY DOGS' in gold. Above this banner, there are several headlines in white and gold text: 'Dignified & BEAUTIFUL' in a large script font, followed by 'The Afghan Hound as an independent & aloof aristocrat of sublime beauty. They are an active breed, combining speed with power.' in a smaller font. To the right of this, there are three headlines: 'MORE THAN MOWING DOGS NSW Grounds Update', 'DOG LOVERS FESTIVAL', and 'DOGS NSW 2026 Canine Grooming Competition'.

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Win a Double Pass to Sydney's
DOG LOVERS FESTIVAL!



The Dog Lovers Festival has [2 Double Passes](#) up for grabs for the Sydney Show in August, so don't miss out on visiting [Australia's premier dog-dedicated festival](#), as it returns to wow Sydneysiders. This year includes FREE entry to the Cat Lovers Festival as well!

Since 2014, the [Sydney Dog Lovers Festival](#) has grown to become one of the [largest festivals in the world](#) dedicated to educating, entertaining and inspiring dog lovers. The event returns on [Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 August 2026 at the Sydney Showground](#) from 9:30am to 5.00pm daily!

The Festival will be bursting with attractions and it's one of the best value days out in Sydney as once you walk through the door everything to see and do is FREE plus the inaugural Cat Lovers Festival will running next door at the same time!

Meet, interact with and learn more about [over 100 breeds](#) at the Festival across the weekend in the [Adoption Zone, Advance™ Breed Showcase & Stage plus Pat-A-Pooch](#). From Kurgo® DockDogs leaping through the air in the giant pool, to Mini Dog Races, Temptation Alley, and the awe-inspiring K9 SuperWall, plus live dog sports and demonstrations in the [VitaPet Arena](#).

It's also a big supermarket for dog owners with new products, show specials and dog-friendly clothing, beds, doors, food, groomers, insurers, kennels, leads, collars, tech, photographers, retailers, toys, trainers, treats, vets and more...

Go to dogloversfestival.com.au/sydney/attractions to discover all the attractions.



TO ENTER: For your opportunity to '**WIN a Dog Lovers Festival Double Pass**' which is entry for 2 Adults, simply tell us in 25 words or less, why you would like to visit the Sydney Dog Lovers Festival. Don't forget to include your name, residential address, phone number and DOGS NSW membership number on your entry. One entry per person.

Entries close: 31 July 2026 and winners will be notified by phone or email.

By Email: With 'DOG LOVERS FESTIVAL' Competition in the subject line:
competition@dogsnsw.org.au

By Post: 'DOG LOVERS FESTIVAL' Competition, DOGS NSW Magazine, c/- DOGS NSW, PO Box 632, St Marys NSW 1790

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