

# ONE JUMP AHEAD

May 2018

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## FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to another edition of 'One Jump Ahead'. The trialling season is well and truly underway, and an early highlight for me has been to see Melissa and Oscar who started as beginners early last year win their first Novice Agility and Jumping Trial at Noarlunga – they have worked hard (and in Melissa's words – she is addicted). If you have anything to contribute, please make sure you contact me.

Please take the time to read both Geoff and Ingrid's reports – they are both excellent!

Michele



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	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
6:50 - 7:30pm	Set up Equipment			
7:30 - 8:20pm	Introductory	Beginners & Intermediate	Graduate	Advanced
8:20 - 8:30pm	ANNOUNCEMENTS			
8:30 - 9:30pm	Trialling 200/300/400/500/600			
9:30 - 10:00pm	Pack up			

The committee appreciates our members that come regularly every week and help set up and pack up. Your help is invaluable and helps us start training on time, which benefits us all!

**Enjoy your training!!**

## WEATHER

If the temperature is 34°C or more at 6:00pm there will be NO training.

If there has been heavy rain consistently during the week or on the day, training may be cancelled.



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT APRIL 2018

Welcome back to training for 2018, or for new members, welcome to the exciting world of Agility. It's one of the better ways for you and your best friend to have fun together. But the important thing is that it has to be fun. Never forget that you have an option whether to engage in Agility or not, but your dog has to because you do. So it has to be enjoyable for both of you or there's no point in doing it at all.

There's a down-side to working dogs off-lead in that there is the risk of a dog attack. Although we do our best to minimise that, there was an attack late last year and another one last month. In both cases the owner involved has decided to cease training the dog at the Club. But that still leaves the dog that was the victim. In quite a few cases the victim can have mental scars.

That was the case with my previous dog, Leo. He was attacked twice, once on West Beach and later in Victoria Park. Those experiences made Leo very "reactive". If a dog that he didn't know ran up to him he would give it a bite on its nose. He would bare his teeth first but if the other dog didn't back-off immediately he would bite. That usually hurt the other dog and made it think twice before going near Leo again. On one occasion he was reported to the local Council. I had warned the owner to stop her dog running up to him but, because he had attacked, I had a very hard time persuading the Council not to declare him a "dangerous dog".

The Committee is concerned about dogs that run off at training. The Dog and Cat Management Act requires that a dog off-lead in a designated off-lead area has to be under "effective control". Basically that means that it has to obey its handler's commands, especially a "recall". Unlike some other clubs the ADCSA does not require that dogs have undergone obedience training. However agility requires some basic obedience skills such as a stay at the start line and a recall.

If your dog runs off at training and won't come back when called you need to do something about it. One option would be to join a dog obedience club, or you could have private lessons. Your dog might not be a threat when it runs up to another dog. But if the other dog is reactive, like Leo was, and your dog is attacked, where does that leave you and the other owner? Who is in the wrong, the dog that caused the attack or the dog that reacted because it felt threatened?

There are a number of people who no longer train at ADCSA because, while they may not have been attacked, their dogs have been frightened at West Beach. It would have been better if this had not happened in the first place. The only way to prevent it is to have dogs under control.

**Agility Trials** – we are now entering the trialling season. By the time you read this the 2018 Agility Nationals will have finished. Quite a few members travelled to Victoria to participate in the Nationals and we look forward to hearing all their stories when they come back again. There might have already been some posts in our Facebook Group.

Our next trial is the Double Games Trial on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018. That is our biggest event, not so much in prestige but in the effort required to stage it. We need help from members putting up the rings, setting-up equipment and working as Stewards. So please see me if you can help.

Until then enjoy your dogs and remember to have fun at agility.

Geoff Sykes



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# HEAD INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT

## MAY 2018

Hi Everyone

Welcome back to another year of fun and work and sometimes disappointment if things don't go right but hopefully more joy and satisfaction when you and your dog succeed, maybe getting a particular manoeuvre right or getting a pass at a trial or a title or two.

I also like to welcome our newest members to our club and wishing you an enjoyable and interesting time with us. Training might not be as easy as you thought it would be but hang in there and as you progress through the classes a partnership develops between you and your dog, a very satisfying and enjoyable thing to have.

A good way of learning is to listen when your instructor explains to one person where he/she went wrong and how to correct it. These explanations will only make sense to you if you have watched the other team do their exercise. So don't stand around and chat with each other but watch and learn so that you might avoid repeating someone's mistakes when it is your turn.

Every team learns at their own speed, some will advance faster than others, just keep trying and soon you will see improvements and be in the next class up. And do not forget to praise and reward your dog to keep him/her motivated to have another go.

We in the trialling class need to look at the courses and sequences with the mindset of "How can I negotiate these challenges" and not with the thought "This is just too hard".

If we only want easy stuff to train we will not extent our capabilities and then the Master title will probably stay out of our reach.

So give it a go and I see you out there at training.

*Ingrid Hanegreefs*



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# ADCSA Games Trial 24/02/2018

## NOVICE STRATEGIC PAIRS

1	CH VULCAN MAGIC AT SHARTOOZ RN (IMP CAN) CCD RE JD GD	MRS S J BAILLIE	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
1	MILO ADX JDX SD	MRS F.M. GYZEN	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
2	FERNLODGE SUMMER STORM ADX JD SD	ROSE INCE	TENTERFIELD TERRIER
2	THEGLEBE LADY HENRIETTA AD JD GD	MS TINA COMELY	SCHNAUZER
3	IZZY	MS RACHAEL FAGAN	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	COLLIESTON RHYTHM AND RHYME CD RM FS.N HTMN	J S C BROWN	COLLIE (ROUGH)

## EXCELLENT STRATEGIC PAIRS

1	ALBAJAIL BEN MAC DHUI CDX RE ADX JDX SD SPD	MRS J LYON	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
1	FLATOUT BREAKOUT ADM JDM SD SPD GD	MIKA PEACE	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
2	LITTLE EDEN THUNDER PAWS BANDIT CD RN ADX JDM GD SDX	MRS M NICKI & TRAVIS HEARSE	BORDER COLLIE
2	REILLY RN ADX JDO JDX SPD GD SD	MISS CHLOE DUNLOP	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	REX ADX JDX GD SD SPD	ROSE INCE	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	THEGLEBE LADY ELKE CCD ADX JDX GD SPD SD	MS TINA COMELY	SCHNAUZER

## MASTERS STRATEGIC PAIRS

1	AG.CH. O.GR.CH. RO CH. GABRIELLE RM RAE ADO ADM JDO	MS D MCCULLOCH	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
1	ELLAGANT ITS IN THE GENES ADO ADM JDO2 JDM4 SDX	MRS J LYON	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
2	AG CH (400) HILANI KAISIAS PLAY CDX RN ADO ADM JDO	KAREN MORALEE	POODLE (MINIATURE)
2	AG CH (500) ASHWYN UD RE ADO ADM JDO JDM SPDM	MRS L V HEDGES	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	AGCH 500 MACYS MYSTIC BLUE SAPPHIRE CD ADO ADM JDO	MS RACHAEL FAGAN	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
3	AG CH 400 HARRY RN ADM JDM SPDM GDX SDX	DR ROSALIND KING	ASSOCIATE REGISTER

## EXCELLENT GAMBLERS

1	PHOENIX AR ADX JDX SPD GD	MRS M NICKI & TRAVIS HEARSE	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
2	REILLY RN ADX JDO JDX SPD GD SD	MISS CHLOE DUNLOP	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	RUSTY JD SPD GD	CARLY WENHAM	ASSOCIATE REGISTER

## MASTERS GAMBLERS

1	AG.CH. O.GR.CH. RO CH. GABRIELLE RM RAE ADO ADM JDO	MS D MCCULLOCH	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
2	KIM CDX RAE ADO ADM JDO JDM SPDX GDX SDX HSBSD	MRS K BROWN	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	AG CH (600) DYKINTA RED ALERT ADO ADM JDO JDM SDM	MIKA PEACE	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD

## NOVICE GAMBLERS

1	ALBAJAIL FAIR MAIDEN AD JD SPD SD	KATRINA WARLAND	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
2	DUNWURKN ITS ALL ABOUT ME RE	MR P R & MRS M W GREEN	BORDER COLLIE
3	MILO ADX JDX SD	MRS F.M. GYZEN	ASSOCIATE REGISTER

## MASTERS SNOOKER

1	AG CH 500 ABBY ADO ADM JDO JDM SPDX SDX GDX	S KERRY THOMAS	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
2	DUAL CH (A) 400 SHERBROOKE FUN IN RIO ADO ADM JDO	E & N COX	NOVA SCOTIA DUCK
3	AG CH. (500) MERLIN UD ADO ADM JDO JDM GDX SDX SPDX	BARBARA MOORE	ASSOCIATE REGISTER

## NOVICE SNOOKER

1	JADZIAH REAL WILD CHILD CCD RN ADX JDX SPD	JANINE FEIL	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
2	REDSHIFT HOT ASHA RN AD JD GD	MRS M CHAPMAN	DOBERMANN
3	YCORVIGIENAH CCD RN JD ET	MRS VICTORIA JONES	ASSOCIATE REGISTER

## EXCELLENT SNOOKER

1	FLATOUT BREAKOUT ADM JDM SD SPD GD	MIKA PEACE	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD
2	REILLY RN ADX JDO JDX SPD GD SD	MISS CHLOE DUNLOP	ASSOCIATE REGISTER
3	ELLAGANT SPECIAL MEMORIES RN AD JD SPD	KATRINA WARLAND	AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD



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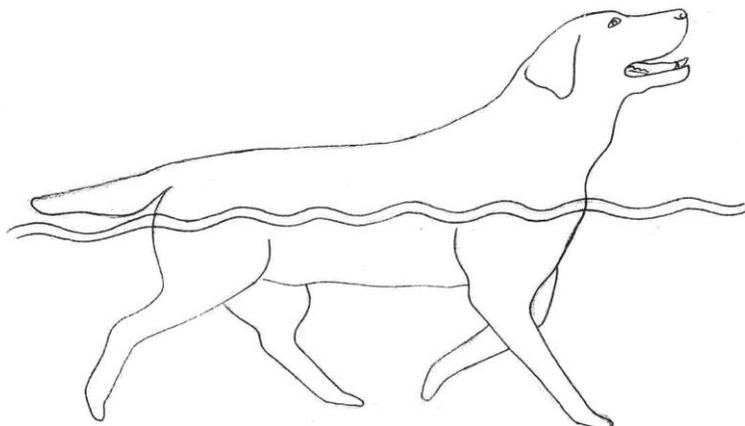


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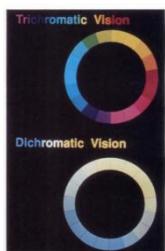
# DOG'S EYE VIEW...

## a comparison between Canine and Human vision in Dog agility

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This is quite a long (but very interesting) article that includes many photos and videos which lose their impact in a paper publication so this is my abridged version. Please go to the web version so you can read the full article. [https://www.animationagility.ca/dogs-eye-view/?utm\\_source=OneMind+Dogs+Member+Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=c0121b5504-Free-Weekly-News-180405&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a28582957a-c0121b5504-100865021](https://www.animationagility.ca/dogs-eye-view/?utm_source=OneMind+Dogs+Member+Newsletter&utm_campaign=c0121b5504-Free-Weekly-News-180405&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a28582957a-c0121b5504-100865021)

I am NOT an Ophthalmologist. I am NOT a Veterinarian. I am just a curious individual (that many years ago enjoyed studying neuro and biopsychology) with 17 years' experience watching dogs training and competing in Agility. My goal with this topic is to compare how dogs see the world vs how we see things, and to relate them to the sport of Agility. I hope that this information may influence choices made designing / choosing equipment for this sport.



**COLOUR:** A good place to start in comparison of vision in Dogs vs People is with colour. People can see the entire colour spectrum (barring colour blindness) as shown in these spectrum comparisons. Dogs only see part of this spectrum. All of the colours between, and including, Red thru Green appear as YELLOW, in varying brightness. A dog sees **YELLOWS, BLUES, GREYS, WHITE and BLACK**. Restrictions in colour vision are probably of limited consequence in dogs, as it is likely they respond only to colours of biologic importance to them. Problems may arise when people attempt to teach working dogs to distinguish among Red, Orange, Yellow and Green solely on the basis of colour.

**EYE STRUCTURE:** Human eyes have more CONES. Dog eyes have more RODS. Cone cells distinguish Colour. Rod cells require much less light/illumination to detect the Grey spectrum. In twilight or indoor semi-darkness a dog can see more clearly than we can. They can see in light 4X dimmer than us and only need 1/4 of the light we do to see at night. Rods are also sensitive to MOTION, allowing dogs to detect smaller movements and to quickly sense something new that is moving. ie Prey... helpful when hunting at night/dusk. The central Retina area of a dog's eye is 20% cones vs 100% cones in a human eye. The cones work best in mid to high levels of light. Dogs derived from wolves. Wolves are nocturnal and rely more on the ability to see in the dark vs discriminating between colours to see food. It is only since their domestication that tame dogs have become Diurnal (active during the day).

**EYE PLACEMENT:** A Dog's eyes are set on the front of the face not the sides like a horse, so a dog has good Binocular vision. Binocular vision allows BOTH eyes to simultaneously see an object. But, depending on the distance of that object, a dog may see a blurry outline rather than a discernible object because their ability to focus on detail is not as sharp as ours.

**FIELD OF VIEW:** Field of View is the area that can be seen when the eye fixes on one point. A dog's Field of View is up to 270 degrees compared to a Human's at 180 degrees. Although the Human has less Field of view they have larger vision overlap and that produces better depth perception. Field of View varies by breed due to placement of the eyes in the skull. Length of nose also interferes with the amount of binocular overlap.

**PUPIL SIZE:** Dogs have larger pupils than humans, allowing more light for night vision. They see objects only in the centre of the image to be in focus when looking over long distances. Everything else in the image appears fuzzy. Ironically, while dogs are not able to see in as fine detail as we are, they see things over greater distances than we do IF the object is moving. Dogs see flickering light better than we do. The human brain does not detect the flicker of motion pictures/TV, but a dog is more sensitive to detect those individual frames thus flickering effect.

**DEPTH PERCEPTION:** Depth perception is enhanced in those regions in which the visual fields of the two eyes overlap. This will vary among breeds due to lateral placement of the eyes in the skull. The binocular overlap in people is approximately 140 degrees (with field of view at 180 degrees). In contrast, the dog with much broader Field of View (monocular fields of 270 degrees) has much narrower Binocular overlap of only 30-60 degrees. This binocular field (for depth perception) is tall, narrow and pear shaped. Depth perception is probably greatest when the dogs look straight ahead and is probably blocked by the nose in most breeds when dogs look below the horizontal.



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**VISUAL ACUITY:** This is the ability to resolve shapes over a distance (important in Agility!). Canine vision is estimated to be 20/75. To see what this means if you have 20/20 vision corrected vision or blessed with it naturally, look at an object (ie a jump) 20' away from you (a typical distance on course). Notice the detail, the colours. Now move that jump 75' away from you. Can you take in the detail and colour from that distance? So what we see at 75' away is how the dog sees it just 20' away! That is assuming their acuity (sharpness of focus) is on par with our 20/20 (which it is not)... At long distances, dogs rely much more on their higher audio detection capabilities and movement detection. They will not detect camouflaged animals/objects as well as Humans due to our higher colour range.

**SUMMARY:** Compared with the visual system in people, a dog's visual system could be considered inferior in such aspects as degree of binocular overlap, colour perception and visual acuity (depth perception/colour recognition/crisp focus) However, in other aspects such as ability to function in dim light, field of view ability to differentiate shades of grey and perhaps ability to detect motion, the canine visual system surpasses human making the dog a more proficient predator. Agility takes advantage of heightened motion sensitivity spotting a moving Handler, but all of the equipment is still. Lighting is often brighter vs dimmer, so that heightened ability is not being used to advantage either.

(Bruce Dwyer [www.dogwalkersmelbourne.com.au](http://www.dogwalkersmelbourne.com.au)) (Leading Edge Medicine JAVMA VOL 207 NO. 12 Dec 15, 1995)

### HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO AGILITY?

A dog has several sight advantages over a Human, however, only one of those is of significance on an agility course: their larger Field of View, allowing them to see the Handler with less head movement. Seeing in the dark and detecting subtle motion at great distances are strengths not required on the agility course. Conversely, a dog's inability to see colours other than blue and yellow, their small amount of binocular overlap, narrow/centred area of depth perception, and significantly reduced visual acuity (resolving shapes/colours at distance) are **ALL VERY RELEVANT TO AGILITY**. Agility is about finding colourful/multidimensional, stationary objects...

### EQUIPMENT:



**CONTACTS: AFRAME/DOGWALK/TEETER** - All three pieces of Contact equipment have contrasting colours. In Agility in Canada, the contact zones are Yellow. As seen in the photos, much of a dog's world is viewed in tones of Yellow, including the surface. Yellow on Yellow is the opposite of contrasting. It is continuous. Yellow IS contrasting to Blue or Black. The dog does not need to see Yellow on the equipment to help it discriminate from Dirt/Sand/Grass/Turf. The judge needs to

identify the zone to make a call. It might be easier for the dogs to have the entire board be Blue or Black so they CAN distinguish more easily/quickly where the ground is if on the piece, or where the board begins if on the ground. This would be of more value to those dogs with less visual acuity. For Judging purposes, a line drawn at the top of the contact zone area and extended onto the sides of the ramp would work to see if a foot is in/out/over the contact zone. I also wonder with running contacts and visual acuity, if cleaner delineation of ground (yellow tones) vs equipment (blue or black) would encourage deeper reach? 2020 may be easier with sharper contrast between blue or black boards and yellowish footing.



**TUNNELS:** Bright Yellow Tunnels with Black ribbing, Lighter Blue tunnels with Black or Yellow Ribbing, brighter purple with Black Ribbing appear visually obvious. Dark Blue is easily seen but not safe to perform in low light conditions/bends in the tunnel. This is perhaps due to the sudden change from high levels of light to darkness at speed, before the rods can adapt? My tunnels all have Yellow Ribbing which blends in with the footing too much and is not as obvious as black would be to define the shape of the Tunnel.

**TIRE:** The tire obstacle also has to factor in the frame holding it. Tires come in Flat faced foam and 3 Dimensional (Round ducting material). The tires are banded in colour to assist the dogs (hopefully!) to navigate thru the centre. There are several issues with tires: 1. Shape - Depending on colours used, the flat faced tire can be harder to spot than the 3 Dimensional tire. I have judged MANY trials over the years and seen thousands of tire performances. Many dogs take off early on this obstacle which signifies they are

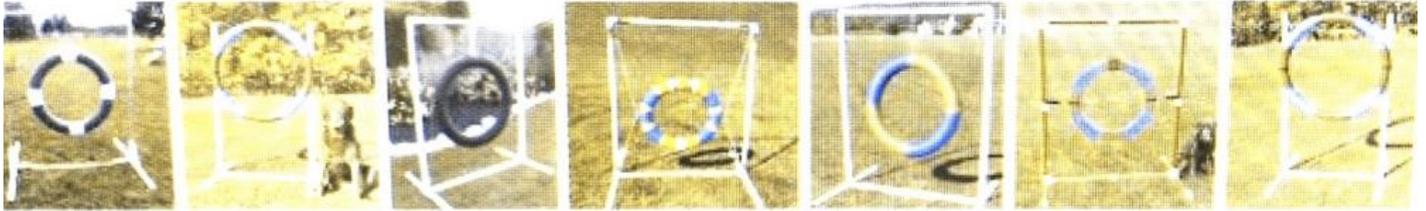


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struggling to locate what to jump and where it is. The jumping arc should be centred over the jump/bar. Considering the information above re: colours, designing tires using Red/Yellow on footings of Sand/Grass/Turf/Dirt is providing very little information for the dog to pick a take-off spot. Last summer I took a photograph of a red/yellow painted flat faced tire. In dog vision the yellow blended with the grass and the red appeared greyish like hovering shadows between "floating" pieces of yellow. It was quite difficult to discern what it was and it did not look like a tire to jump thru. Compounding this puzzle is the frame holding the tire. If it is a style with protruding legs the dog needs to find the tire BEHIND the legs (which are at the dog's eye level) to pick a take-off spot. You can teach a dog to ignore the tire frame but that is of little use if it only pops up in a trial situation and never in training.



**JUMPS:** Wingless and Winged. White works but depending on surface glare, lightness of sand/dead grass, can be harder to spot. Horizontal lines are easier found in relationship to vertical ones. The wing jumps with vertical posts frame the horizontal bar beautifully. Taping accents of white jumps help greatly to outline the shape But narrow banding blurs at distance. Bar colour: Best seen is Blue, Purple or black on dirt/sand/grass/turf. Perhaps combinations of white/black/Blue with more black/blue would help them stand out the most?

Summary of Thoughts: I think I now have more questions to answer than I did when I began looking up a few things! Some of my big 'take aways' from this research are: environmental colours can overshadow the equipment colours - footing/walls/fencing/sky, ring crew chairs will blend in better if green vs white. Ring barriers in orange or green will not create depth issues when jumping towards the fence line. Minimizing 'noise' under orange tarps (equipment not in use during the course being run) will also create more focus on the stuff that matters. Emphasizing the bars TO jump with blues and blacks (and the crossbars with Red / Orange / pink / green will help the dog focus on the important piece of the obstacle. Contrast between the ground and the contact ramps is VERY important, more so than contrasting the board itself with a contact zone. For dogs with acuity deficiencies greater than the 'average dog' (and they ALL have less acuity than people do, contrasts of black/blues or bright, darker purples would set depth for mounting or dismounting the contacts from the ground colour - 2020 or Running Contacts would both benefit with crisp delineation of board/ground. For Judging purposes, only a line is required across the ramp wrapping the sides of the ramp.

The big jumps, including the tire need to be clearly seen. I'd like to see the colour pattern on jump bars be different for single jumps vs the bigger jumps. ie black/white markings for regular jumps and blue/white for tire, double, spread, triple. The dominant colour needs to be substantial - approx 75% of bar length. It would be amazing if that became standardized so in all agility rings the dogs would know by bar colour what they were approaching. The tire should be addressed in the same manner. The entire inside diameter should be a dominant colour, such as blue, black or dark purple. Small amounts of effective contrast can be added. The tire MUST be more prominent over its frame. Tire Frames that are "T Style" will draw less on the dog's focus vs 45 degree angled supports. Strong coloured Tires can really assist the dog navigating the tire's location from the frame holding it. The Tire Frame colour should blend with the environment and not compete for the dog's attention. ie red/orange/green/pink on grass/dirt or sand. A strong colour on the tire will allow the dog to be more accurate in setting up for its take off point.

If the contacts are Blue, Jump bars on singles should be black to help with the depth of the jump in front of the contact. If the contacts are black, the bars could be blue. I could not find any photos online of black contacts, though I have come across them in videos. Black is a GREAT choice (visually) for contacts!! Red/Orange/Pink/Green disappear against dirt/sand/grass/turf. They hold up better as shades of yellow against blue or black mats/flooring.

I am going to continue to work with colour schemes and jumping. Perhaps colour can make jumping an easier task for dogs with less binocular overlap (depth perception), and less acuity (focus).



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12/05/2018	SATURDAY	Southern Districts Kennel & Obedience Club Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
<b>26/05/2018</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>Agility Dog Club of SA Inc</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>9am, 1pm</b>
3/06/2018	SUNDAY	SA Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
9/06/2018	SATURDAY	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	9am, 12.45pm
10/06/2018	SUNDAY	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	9am, 12.45pm
17/06/2018	SUNDAY	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc	Agility	10am, 1pm
23/06/2018	SATURDAY	Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
30/06/2018	SATURDAY	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
<b>7/07/2018</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Agility</b>	<b>STATE CHAMPS</b>
<b>8/07/2018</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Agility</b>	<b>STATE CHAMPS</b>
15/07/2018	SUNDAY	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc	Games	10am, 1pm
<b>28/07/2018</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>Agility Dog Club of SA Inc</b>	<b>Agility</b>	<b>9am, 1pm</b>
11/08/2018	SATURDAY	Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
18/08/2018	SATURDAY	Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc	Agility	from 9am
19/08/2018	SUNDAY	Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club Inc	Agility	from 9am
26/08/2108	SUNDAY	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
<b>31/8/2018 - 9/9/2018</b>	<b>FRIDAY - SATURDAY</b>	<b>2018 Royal Adelaide Show</b>	<b>Games &amp; Agility</b>	<b>ROYAL SHOW</b>
15/09/2018	SATURDAY	Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
6/10/2018	SATURDAY	Noarlunga City Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	9am, 1pm
20/10/2018	SATURDAY	Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	8.30am, 1pm
21/10/2018	SUNDAY	Blue Lake Obedience Dog Club Inc	Agility	8.30am, 1pm
27/10/2018	SATURDAY	Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc	Agility	6pm
28/10/2018	SUNDAY	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc	Agility	10am, 1pm
10/11/2018	SATURDAY	Southern Districts Kennel & Obedience Club Inc	Agility	6pm
<b>24/11/2018</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>Agility Dog Club of SA Inc</b>	<b>Agility</b>	<b>6pm</b>
31/12/2018	MONDAY	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc	Agility	6pm



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