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Woodville Community Dog Training Centre Newsletter

September 2017

.... from the President

OK. Spring has sprung but not enough to shove winter out of the way. We have had a strange winter with dry periods and the buckets of rain and gales of wind which neither I nor, dogs enjoy! Thank you to those people who braved the weather and to those of you who stayed in bed and made it easier for us to manage the weather.

The off lead time is a popular part of our program first thing in the morning, from 8:30 am to approximately 9:15 am. It is essential that you supervise your dog closely to ensure the safety of your dog and others. *It is important that you understand the body language dogs use to show us how they are feeling.* Further info on this important topic is in this newsletter.

If an Instructor asks you to put your dog on a lead, please do so without delay. It will be because they recognise that the dog is not happy and will explain this to you. If you have concerns then please see me or John Fridmanis our Vice-President, to discuss your situation.

It is now clearly stipulated on the gates facing the Bowling Club, that no one from the general public may exercise their dog off lead in the park on Sundays from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. There is also a sign near the hitching rail which clearly states this also. Should you see anyone doing this please ask an Instructor or Committee member to deal with this situation.

I see our dedicated Instructors working individually with members and their dogs to assist them with issues they have concerning control of their pet, both before and after class. If you have been too shy to ask, don't worry that's what we are here for and one on one assistance is best practice.

Claire Lowe

President

Newsletter Items

Do you have something of interest you would like to share via the newsletter?

Maybe you've seen a great dog article, or have photos to share, recipes for dogfood, ideas to put forward for discussion about the running of the club.

Please email anything you would like included to:

newsletter@woodvilledogtraining.com.au

Please mark Att: Marilyn

We would love to hear from you!

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RALLY O EXPLANATION

Rally buckets bearing signs and numbers began appearing earlier this year. They lay out a course for people to follow with their dog.

Why Rally?

Rally can be used as a way of practising what you have learned in class, and for a warm up before class. I believe this was the intention of the person who originally devised Rally Obedience. In some organisations it has become organised into a competitive sport.

At Woodville it is a way of practising, and learning to do things with your dog. Some more timid and reactive dogs seem to like this as they are doing it with their owner without close distractions. Others who come through the course have just said they enjoy doing it and their dog seems to enjoy it too.

How Rally at Woodville works.

The signs on the buckets have directions that you will be familiar with like Start, Halt (ie sit), down (drop), slow, fast, stand and Finish.

Some signs have multiple directions like "Halt-stand-walk around dog".

A few signs require a bit of explanation. Sue and Michelle can help with what they mean and how we taught our dogs to do these things. At all times we encourage positive interaction with your dog. Looking to reward the desired behaviour.



Begin at "START". Make sure there is no one on the course ahead of you and follow the numbers in order. Generally keep to the left of, and in front of a bucket.

If you come across a sign you don't understand look around for help, it will be nearby...or just go on to the next numbered bucket and ask for help when you finish. You might like to walk around and view the directions before you do them with your dog. Whatever makes you feel comfortable.

A new course is put out each month. (green buckets) And a variety of learning stations are put out each week (pink/dark blue buckets).

When to Start Rally

By the time you are in class 4 and 5 you have learned many of the skills needed to manage Rally at Woodville. It would be too frustrating for owners and dogs in Puppies and Grades 1&2

Buckets are set up by 10.00am and are taken in before 12.00. You are welcome to come and try the course, ask for help, and chat about dogs and dog learning.



Have you liked our Facebook page? Did you know that you can write a review of the club on Facebook? Just click on Reviews.

You can read what others have said, and leave a review of your own. So why not take a few minutes, and write a review of your club for others to read?

We really would appreciate it!



IIMELINE OF NEW LAWS

... New Dog and Cat Laws

1ST JULY 2017

New dog registration categories come into effect. Your dog now falls under one of two categories:

Standard Dog: A dog that is desexed and microchipped Non-standard Dog: All other dogs, such as dogs used for breeding and working dogs on farms

> 1ST AUGUST 2017

New industry standards and guidelines for breeders and sellers of companion animals come into effect. These set minimum welfare conditions that must be met to comply with SA's animal welfare laws.

1ST JULY 2018

All dogs and cats must be microchipped by three months of age.

All dogs and cats born after this date must be desexed (Exemptions apply for owners of working dogs and registered breeders).

Anyone who breeds dogs and/or cats for sale must register with The Dog and Cat Management Board (DCMB) as a breeder.

A new website to manage dog, cat and breeder registrations across South Australia begins operation.





.... Off Leash Play Time

Owners are required to watch their dogs constantly during 'off leash' time 8 am 9:15 am Sunday mornings unless called off earlier.

Your dog must be on lead if:

This is their first time here

Your dog is less than 5 months old

Your dog is too excited (Barking, Lunging, Humping, Jumping on people or dogs)

Your dog is fearful (Tail tucked, Ears Back, Barking / Growling at dogs, Crouching)

Your dog is too Assertive / Pushy (Stiff high tail, standing over / pinning / Rolling other dogs)

If asked by a trainer

What can you do instead?

Borrow a long leash and practice recalls

Go for a walk

Play games with your dog

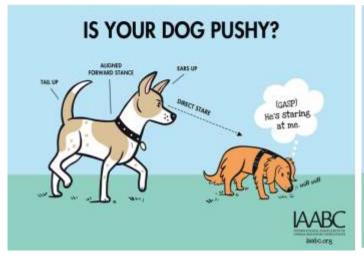
Play with the equipment

Move to the other end of the park

Only currently enrolled members will be permitted to participate in off leash time on Sunday mornings when training is operating Our park is not a public dog park 8 am – 12 pm Sundays.

















CONGRATULATIONS MAY GRADUATES!

Level 1 to Level 2

Bronwyn Dewar & Molly
Dale/Laura OShaughne & Axel
Jenniger/Lyall Osborne & Pebbles
Renata Gorczynska & Gypsy
Leonie Spackman & Buddy
Clayton Harris & Bentley

Level 2 to Level 3

Anita Sbona & Shasa Leonie Spackman & Midge Sam/Nichole Dudley & Sandie Lauren/Wesley Thyer & Henry Mikaela Jennings & Asian Claire Homan & Smudge

Level 3 to Level 4
Naomi/Daniel Mayberry & Mahji

CONGRATULATIONS JUNE GRADUATES!

Level 1 to Level 2

McKelvy Reed & Ava
Amira Healy & Chilli
Kirsty Macphail & Fletcher
Jonathan Morris & Murphy
Liz Dessaur & Millie
Toni Flynn & Onyx
Andrea Griffin & Bailey
Tanya Binkowski & Ruby
Sam Carter & Lara

Level 2 to Level 3

Thomas Edwards & Barney Alexis Grove & Gigi Kurt Russack & Delta

Level 3 to Level 4

Dianne Grant & Frankie

Marilyn Pearson & Bosco





June Graduates



July Graduates





CONGRATULATIONS JULY GRADUATES!

Level 1 to Level 2

Naomi Hill & Sandie
Pam Bottger & Evie
Emma Hart & Buster
Rita Bicci & Toki
Paul Bolton & Rufus
Sam Naley & Honey
Jacinta/Keisha Atkin & Jerry
Belinda Barley & May
Dianne/Matthew Stevens & Benny
Rhys Williams & Hamish
Jacob Messenger & Baxter

Level 2 to Level 3

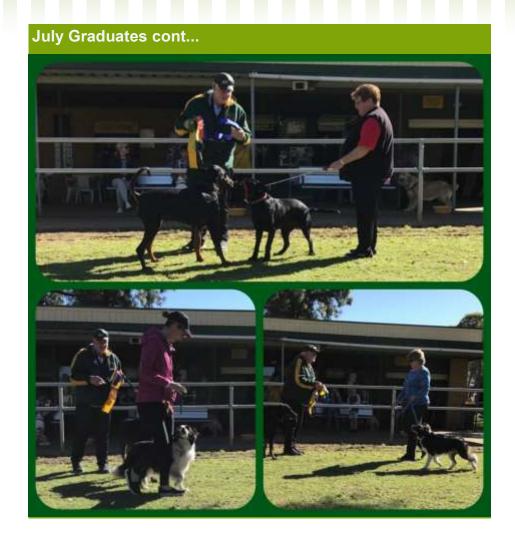
Helen Murch & Leroy
Kathy Tonkin & Summer
Brett Featherby & Hudson
Kerryn Obst/Reece Pruis & Jetta

Level 3 to Level 4

Lisa Featherby & Keely

Level 4 to BO

Marilyn Pearson & Bosco
Julie Syme & Cassie



.... Equipment for Walking a Dog

The equipment mentioned below is only a tool to help you manage your dog's pulling on lead.

Only training can change your dog's behaviour.

Front Attach Harnesses:

The attachment point in the middle of the dog's chest assists in managing pulling in a couple of ways.

The sheer amount of pull the dog can generate is reduced.

As the dog pulls their body is turned back towards the handler making the pulling less attractive to the dog as they don't get to move toward what they are pulling to.

The dog being turned also allows the handler to get their attention easier to get the dog back into the heel position.

With the chest taking the strain any damage to the dog's throat is avoided.

Most dogs accept wearing a harness with little difficulty.

It is important to remember that a front attach harness is a walking tool only and should not be left on the dog.





August Graduates





CONGRATULATIONS AUGUST GRADUATES!

Level 1 to Level 2

Nicole Ghataway & George
Jessica Fendler & Ernie
Helen Wiseman & Clio
Anne-Marie/Tim Giles & Lexie
James Maloney & Archie
Cameron/Fern Edwards & Leroy
Damien/Jo Kelly Syd

Level 2 to Level 3

Melissa Cocca & Obi

Level 3 to Level 4

John Cox & Kabash Leann Hoppo & Ryder



... Dog Feeding Guide (RSPCA)

The following information is general advice and it is recommended you check with your veterinarian, especially if your dog has special dietary needs.

The basis of your dog's diet should be a high quality balanced premium dog food appropriate for the life stage and health status of your dog. It should comply with the Australian Standard: Manufacturing and Marketing Pet Food AS 5812:2011.

You can also offer some natural foods to provide variety. Natural foods include fresh **human**-**grade** raw meat (e.g. raw lamb), raw meaty bones and vegetables.

We recommend you choose **human-grade** raw meat and raw meaty bones as some pet meat and bone products may contain preservatives that can be detrimental to the dog's health.

Adults dogs should be fed at least twice a day to avoid bloat.

Fresh drinking water must be available at all times.

Feeding bones

Raw meaty bones such as raw lamb ribs (<u>not lamb chops</u>), raw lamb flaps and raw chicken wings provide several important health benefits including keeping teeth and gums healthy. Generally 1-2 raw bones may be offered per week. The bone must be large enough so that the dog cannot fit the whole bone in its mouth or swallow the bone whole. Avoid large marrow bones, T-bones, 'chop' bones, large knuckle bones and bones sawn lengthwise, as dogs may crack their teeth on these. You should always supervise your dog when they are eating bones.

Never feed your dog cooked bones as these can splinter and cause internal damage or become an intestinal obstruction.

Other foods

Dogs may be offered canned fish as an occasional treat.

Dogs may be offered a small amount of cooked vegetables. Cooked meat but ensure there are no cooked bones; onions/onion sauces or other toxic substances. Small amounts of cooked pasta or rice may be offered.

You should make sure you dog has access to grass - dogs will sometimes eat grass which may provide a source of vegetable matter and micronutrients.

Toxic foods

Do not ever feed the following substances as they are toxic to dogs (this is not an exhaustive list): onions, onion powder, garlic, chocolate, coffee or caffeine products, mouldy or spoiled foods or compost, avocado, bread dough, yeast dough, grapes, raisins, sultanas (including in Christmas cakes etc), currants, nuts including macadamia nuts, fruit stones (pits) e.g. mango seeds, apricot stones, avocado stones; fruit seeds, corncobs; green unripe tomatoes, mushrooms; fish constantly, cooked bones; small pieces of raw bone, fatty trimmings/ fatty foods, Salt, Xylitol (sugar substitute found in some products such as some types of sugarfree chewing gum, lollies, baking goods, toothpaste).

Ensure your pet dog doesn't have access to string wrappings around rolled roasts or absorbent pads found under meat when wrapped on trays.

Information taken from the RSPCA Website - http://kb.rspca.org.au







Easy Dog Treats

Depending on how long you bake them, these treats can turn out moist and chewy for training rewards. Or crispy.

Prep

Line a slice tin with baking paper. Make the paper go up the edges a bit or the mix might bake to the tins edges.

Turn oven to 180C (350F)

Big bowl. Fork. Knife.

Ingredients

1 large can of tuna (in oil or spring water - discard excess moisture but don't squeeze dry)

1 or 2 eggs

1 cup of plain flour.

Method

Empty tuna in to big bowl.

Add egg yolk and whites. Discard shells.

Mix with a fork till no large tuna lumps and egg is mixed in well.

Add 1/2 a cup of flour. Mix. Add next half cup of flour.

If mixture is runny add a bit more flour.

Press mixture into the slice tin with the fork. Till about 1 cm thick all over.

Use a knife to make furrows lengthwise. 8 should do.(makes it easier to handle after it is cooked.)

Cook for 15-20 mins.

Turn oven off. Leave tin of mixture in oven to dry out to your desired level. I like them a bit moist and flexible so I can take a stick and break it as desired during training.

Use the knife to cut along the furrows you made earlier.

Put resulting sticks of fish treat into container and store in the freezer.





Thank you to Sue Whittaker for providing this recipe.

2017 Class Calendar

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Contact Us

Please contact us if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

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Phone: 8268 5046 Email: info@woodvilledogtraining.com.au



Rules

A copy of the Centre's constitution is available from the Registrar

The Centre's Ground Rules have been made with consideration given to Public Liability.

- 1. All members must wear their membership badge, and be financial to attend class.
- 2. All dogs must be on lead from 9:00 am Sunday, and during all classes, unless you are given permission by an Instructor.
- 3. Dog owners/handlers are responsible for any injury to another dog, or owner/handler where their dog is involved.
- 4. A dog who has bitten, or shown undue aggression, must be reported to the Chief Instructor of the day.
- 5. Bitches in season are not allowed on the grounds during training sessions.
- Generally accepted social behaviour is expected of all members/attendees.
- 7. Classes are held on Sundays from February to December, except on LONG WEEKENDS.
- 8. Current vaccination certificates must be shown to the Registrar when joining, and upon renewal of membership every 12 months, or when due.
- Dog owners/handlers are to wear covered footwear during classes on the grounds. Bare feet, and open footwear, are not permitted.
- 10. We use positive reinforcement training, therefore excessive reprimands such as yelling, hitting, or kicking of dogs, are not to be used by dog owners/handlers.
- 11. Dog owners/handlers are asked to use a Martingale/training collar for the comfort, and well-being of their dog during training. Check chains, and slip collars, are not to be used in class. Their general use is discouraged as chains are intimidating, and can cause significant harm to your dog.
- 12. Activity equipment is to be used only when owners/handlers have been instructed in its use by an Instructor.

Weather Policy

Woodville Community Dog Training Centre does not have an official weather policy, the decision of whether or not you attend classes is up to you and your pooch!

When weather conditions are extreme, modified classes will be conducted with the health and welfare of members, and dogs, in mind.

Classes

8:30 - 9:15 am

Doggie Socialising Time

Breakfast & Coffee

9:30 - 10:00 am

New Members

Puppy

Beginners

Class 1

10:15 - 10:45 am

Class 2

Class 3

Class 4

11:00 - 11:45

Basic Obedience

Rally



Findon Veterinary Clinic

221 Grange Road, Findon Phone: 8347 3444



Seaton Vet Centre

342 Tapleys Hill Road, Seaton Phone: 8155 5200



The Findon Veterinary Clinic, and the Seaton Vet Centre, are owned, and run, by Dr Ian Hogben. They are both staffed with the same experienced vets, and nurses, so you know you'll get the same great treatment at either facility. However, the Seaton Vet Centre is larger, so it does have extra facilities available.

Please check our website (under 'Our Sponsors') to find out more.

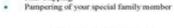


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