Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc.'s





To this.... In 8 minutes!

Meet Asha



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My name is Asha - most of the time. When I'm in trouble, Mum calls me by other 4 letters names, but she says I'm not allowed to repeat them. When Mum is at work, I have the house pretty much to myself. Daytime TV is cool,

I like watching Judge Judy, she sounds like my Mum when she is in a bad mood. I like to spend my afternoons terrorising my big brother Jack, I bite his legs, jump on him when he is asleep, pee on his bed and scare him when he wakes up with my devil face.



I also enjoy chillaxing in the deep holes that I dig in the

garden and ripping Mums clothes from the washing line and hiding them! Hey, a dog 's life is short - we have to keep busy! I'm planning to have a big party when I turn 3 - that makes me 21 in human years. Il be an adult then - a

proper grown-up. I have been practising some awesome party tricks - check me out - I can hula

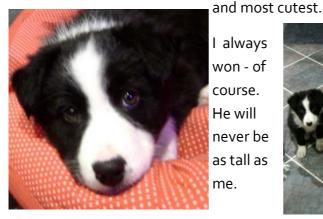


around my head!

And I can do the nut bush!

Me and Jack used to play games when I was a wee lass. We played dead dogs and 'guess the tallest





I always won - of course. He will never be as tall as me.





Mum keeps telling me to '*lay of the marrow*' - I don't think she realises that I'm still growing. I'm going to be a big strong warrior dog one day.

Last week I got in big, big trouble. I went to town on the lawn - I really trashed the garden. I got mud all up the

patio windows and into the neighbours

yard- that's talent! I don't know why Mum is not proud of me, it was hard work and I was one serious *worn-out puppy* by the end of it. Jack dared me to do it though, so it really is **his** fault, not mine. I even did the whole '*poor-starvingcute-little-me - I'm neglected* 'doggy eyes, but that didn't workthis time...Mum is not happy, she

says I am the naughtiest dog in the world. She keeps threatening to send me away to boarding school, where I will be made to chase those white fluffy cloud animals with 4 legs and weird faces. I hope she doesn't...it sounds real scary.

Well Id better go now and put on my best '*deserving doggy'* face coz I'm hungry (again). Mum will get sucked in - she always does.

Till next time

Asha







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Mock Agility/Jumping Trial Fun Day Saturday, 24 September 2011 Registration at 9 – 9.30 a.m. Commencing at 10 a.m.

Are you and your dog about ready to start trialling? Do you have some ring issues you need to work on? Here's your chance to put all of your hard work to the test and give it a go for the first time, or work on whatever needs improving.

Novice, Excellent & Open Jumping to be judged by Paul Schroeder

Excellent, Open & Novice Agility to be judged by Janine Feil (aspiring judge) assisted by Roger Green



\$3 per run - up to 2 runs per dog per course

JUDGES' PICK PRIZES FOR EACH CLASS TO BE PRESENTED AT



Without any clear leadership, the troupe had started to lose any sense of cohesion COMPLETION OF TRIAL

'Dancing With Dogs' demonstration

to be held at lunchtime, 12.30 p.m. Also ...why not try: 60-weaver challenge (Prize for fastest dog to complete them correctly)

Rally-O course (set by Melissa Simmons)

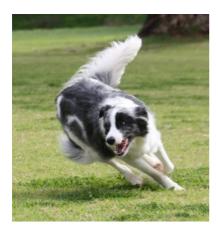
Tunnellers course (set by Joy Roberts)





For only \$1 per run - as many runs as you like

It will be a great day of fun and challenges for you and your dog/s, so come along and enjoy





For more information, contact Michelle Stokes on 0402 582 928

2011 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- President: Julian Stokes 8264 0860
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- Website Administrator: Allison Dawson 0404071210
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Committee members:

Jan Cooper Gaynor Kennedy Chrissy Dalla Valle Linley Nicholson Mary Dalla Valle, Michelle Stokes Rebecca Glasson.

Reminder from the Registrar

After applying for the title at Dogs SA.

Please give your qualification cards to the Registrar for recording ASAP. You need to this to be eligible for the EOY trophies. It is not acceptable to save them all up and give them in all at once. They will be returned promptly to you.

Regards Sharon Page: Registrar for PDODC.

<u>Flyball News - Portland Comp</u> The OH . OH OH Badge

On the May long weekend we had the annual border flyball challenge down at Portland, Victoria. We went down with 3 teams from Para. This comp is always well attended with many Victorian teams in attendance, and as usual the competitive spirit between SA and Victoria was alive and kicking and hopefully always good natured.Michelle, myself, Bec Knapp, Chrissy Guardrail and Brian stayed at Bec Foord's at Dartmoor. As always we had a great catch up with Bec and ate well. (Although I can tell you that frozen lasagne takes more than 1 hour to defrost on a combustion heater, Brian!) The day before the comp Brian and Chrissy drove almost to Leongatha in the Gippsland Region to pick up a new puppy, a 12-hour round trip. I said it would be easier to post it over in a padded bag!

The morning driving to the comp was as usual wet and drizzly. Oh well, Victorian weather strikes again. Now the OH . OH OH OH part. If you have seen flyball you would know that we use a start light system the same as in drag racing and you want your dog to cross the line as close as possible to the green light, so with practice you hope to get within a couple of 100ths or 1000nds of a second to that perfect start, but the real prize is a 0.000 start; i.e., the dog's nose hits the line as the time starts – a perfect start. This happens rarely at comps and all day I had been getting within 3000ths or 4000ths of a second late.

Our judge, Catherine Saberton, had just said 'Ju Ju, I don't think it's going to happen today'. It happened! Behind the boxes are big displays that show your time and after I released Jasper I looked up and saw that elusive 0.000 time. I was so excited I nearly mucked myself. It was so exciting we nearly forgot to run the rest of the team. So now you know what the badge on my jacket is for.

As well as that, we won the border challenge trophy for most consistent team. What a buzz to beat the Vics. It cost me at the pub that night and, as Bec's niece Nicole would say, we get 'rowdy'.

The comp was really well organised by Helen, Chrissy and Bec and ran well all day. Thanks to those guys, as well as Portland Dog Club for use of their grounds. It was a great day.

Julian Stokes

Thanks to our sponsor for the event

DEVONDALE

SUNDAY (AM) OBEDIENCE CLASS TIMES

8.30am Utility

9.30am Puppies, Class 5 and Class 2

10.20am Class 6

10.20am First timers

(information session)

10.30am Learners

11.15am Class 4

- 11.20am Class 3
- 11.25am Class 1

MONDAY (PM) FLYBALL

Set up for 6.30pm Beginners -6.45pm Intermediate-7.30 Triallers-8pm



Membership Fees

Membership fees cover a year of training from February to November. Reduced rates apply if joining later in the year.

•Junior \$30

•Double/Family \$60

• Double Pensioner \$50

•Single \$50

•Single Pensioner \$40

New members pay an additional joining fee of \$5. Agility and Flyball classes have an additional cost of \$2 per lesson and \$1 for each additional

.Dances with Dogs

Great News – Wolfgang Schnitzer from SACA (DogsSA) has assured us that as long as our activity is minuted before it starts - then it is covered by our Public Liability Policy

Guys/Gals grab your favourite 4 legged Dancing Partner and start dancing – We are a GO GO GO

Monday Night - Club - in front of Green Shed - 6.30pm

Yours in Dances With Dogs --- Irma Crews

OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Sunday 9.15am—11.15am

Friday 6.15pm—8.15pm

P.D.O.D.C—General Club Rules

- 1. Dogs are not allowed in Clubrooms.
- 2. Bitches in season are not allowed on Club grounds.
- 3. Dogs may not be off lead unless permitted by an Instructor.
- 4. Dogs & handlers must not use equipment without permission.
- 5. All incidents of dog attacks (provoked or unprovoked) must be reported immediately to the Head Instructor who will act accordingly. The incident must be recorded in the Incident Report book in the Office.
- 6. Children under 10 must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- 7. If your dog fouls on the Club grounds you must clean up the deposit immediately. Poo bags are provided on the grounds.
- 8. If your dog urinates on a Club building or structure, you rinse it off with water. Containers for water can be provided upon request .
- 9. Smoking is not permitted in class or in Club buildings.
- 10. No alcoholic drinks are permitted in class or in Club buildings.
- 11. If you arrive late, do not enter your class. Wait until the instructor indicates that you may join.
- 12. Members must wear sensible shoes no thongs or bare feet.
- 13. Any member not in class may not exercise their dog in the vicinity of classes in progress.
- 14. Please keep dogs well apart to avoid confrontations.
- 15. All handlers and dogs participate at their own risk.
- 16.A current vaccination certificate must be presented upon joining or attending a complimentary lesson. It must also be presented when renewing an existing membership.
- 17. Dogs carrying a contagious disease may not attend training until they are officially cleared in writing by a qualified vet.

- 18. Your membership badge must be worn in class.. "I forgot" badges are available from the office.
- 19. All injuries must be reported and recorded.
- 20. Class instructors n consultation with the discipline Head Instructor, reserve the right to send a dog back to a lower class if it is to the advantage of the dog and/or handler.

Full Copies of the Club Rules are available in the office or from the Club website at www.paradogtraining.com

HOT WEATHER POLICY

CLASSES ARE HELD EVERY SUNDAY, MONDAY AND FRIDAY FROM FEBRUARY TO NOVEMBER, <u>EXCEPT</u> IN THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

There will be no training in any discipline on a long weekend (where the Friday or Monday is a public holiday).



- Sunday morning classes: If the estimated Sunday maximum temperature for Elizabeth (Channel 9 News, Saturday night) is 32 degrees or higher, training will be cancelled.
- Friday night classes: If the estimated Friday maximum temperature for Elizabeth (Channel 9 News, Thursday night) is 32 degrees or higher, all NON-TRIALLING CLASSES will be cancelled.
- Monday night classes: If the estimated Monday maximum temperature for Elizabeth (Channel 9 News, Sunday night) is 32 degrees or higher, training will be cancelled.

If the weather is stormy or inclement, training may also be called off.

Dog's Health Guide

Canine Cancer

Hearing that your dog has canine cancer does not mean the end of its life. Like cancer treatment in people, there are now many options for treating your pet. In general, treatments tend to be more effective and have fewer side effects. Cancer is seen in about 1,100 of every 100,000 dogs and is treated by a veterinary oncologist.

Cancer is often referred to as a tumor, which is any sort of lump of bump. Tumors that grow are called neoplasms. There are two types of tumors:

•Benign: Tumors that grow slowly and don't spread to other parts of the body are considered benign as they have not metastasized or spread. A benign tumor is treated with surgery.

•Malignant: These tumors are the same as cancer and are also called carcinomas, sarcomas and lymphomas depending on where the cancer is on the body. As the cancer spreads from one part of the body to another, it can enter the lymph nodes or circulatory system. The spread is called metastasizing.

What is Canine Cancer?

In a normal dog cells are constantly dying and being replaced. In a dog with cancer, something is wrong with the replacement cells (called mutant cells). These mutant cells reproduce quickly and form into large groupings. Since these cells are mutant, they cannot provide the same function as the healthy cells they replaced. If these cells or cancer grows, it eventually replaces healthy tissue and causes the dog to die.

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Hormones are used to both trigger some action in the body and also to keep that action within normal ranges. When a tumour or some other problem exists such as when the body mistakenly attacks a gland (autoimmune disease), the gland either produces too much hormone or too little.

Hormones that are produced by dog adrenal glands include:

•Epinephrine: Stress response, stimulates the heart beat and raises blood pressure.

•Cortisol: Responds to stress, metabolism of protein and carbohydrates, blood sugar levels, blood pressure and muscle strength

•Oldster: Regulates water balance, salt and potassium

Canine hip dysplasia

Hip dysplasia is an abnormal formation of the hip joint and is known as a developmental disease. The hip joint is a "ball and socket" joint. The end of the femur (the thigh bone) ends in a "ball" and should fit snugly into the "socket" of the pelvic bone. In dogs with hip dysplasia, the bones fit together loosely. <u>**Diagnosis**</u> Canine hip dysplasia is diagnosed by x-ray. Dogs need to be anesthetized for the x-rays, because the muscles must be relaxed and the hips must be positioned just Clinical signs include: Abnormal Gait or walk, Hopping when your dog runs, Thigh Muscle Atrophy (loss of muscle mass) Pain, Inability to exercise for long periods of time, Avoids climbing stairs.

<u>Treatment</u> Hip dysplasia can be treated in a number of ways, depending on the severity of the condition. There are several different surgical procedures that can be done, including partial hip replacement, replacement of only one hip or total hip replacement. In less severe cases, medication can be used to reduce the Inflammation and pain caused by the condition. There are several simple things you can do at home to help relieve pain caused by hip dysplasia.

If your dog is overweight, the condition will be more painful. Make sure your pet is on a healthy diet. Daily exercise is also important for your dog. Low-impact exercise, such as walking and swimming, is best. Exercise such as chasing a Frisbee and catching it is hard on your dog's joints. Finally, you can make your dog's daily activities a little easier. If there are stairs leading to the outside of your house, consider building or buying a ramp so that your dog can get outside more easily. If you have a large dog, you can raise his food and water dishes so he doesn't have to bend over to eat and drink. These little things can make a big difference.

Canine Hip Dysplasia Symptoms

Most dogs with the condition do not display symptoms until they are full grown. Symptoms often appear like symptoms of arthritis. Both rear legs may appear to be painful. Your dog may limp. He or she may be reluctant to jump up on furniture. He may be less playful and unable to go for long walks.

Head Agility Instructor Report Number 4

Hi to All -We have had some very cold weather and as a result I have had to call Wet Weather Rule (for Agility Training). Not everyone is very sure what that means - so here is a quick explanation.

When it is raining and the grounds are wet – it may not be save to train on Full Agility Equipment – or it may indeed not be save to train at all

If the decision is to Cancel training – then ALL Training will be cancelled – NO Equipment will be put out – and lights kept down to a minimum long enough for us to ensure a save exit from the grounds after catching up on some office work etc.

If I call Wet Weather – then a message is sent to all Instructors – who then have a CHOICE whether to put themselves into those conditions (no one can expect them to)– we will train with instructors present.

Usually there will be at least 2 of us Victor and myself – sometimes more – and ANY student who turns up on the night – we will make the effort to do SOME training with you – it may be flat ground work, learn the rules, limited access to equipment – or you may just come down to socialise for a while.

In SHORT – I will do my best NEVER to Cancel training – no guarantee – I might have to – but it is my aim to ensure that we have something for you at all times – while still respecting that on inclement weather conditions – we cannot expect our instructors to come out and risk their safety and health etc. Our Hot Weather Rule is set out with our Agility Time Table.

Last week we had a Wet Weather Rule – a few trained on weavers and jumps – some did ground work only – and others had fun watching their dogs run and play.

Yours in Agility Irma Crews SACA (DogsSA) has a Puppy Training Guidelines which the Head Agility Instructor (by SACA Rule) has to ensure is being followed. Head Instructor Rule 3.(d)

As an affiliated club - we must abide by all SACA rules.

Our Puppy Training is now amended to the *General Guidelines for Puppy Agility Training* – and we are in consultation with the Agility Advisory Committee with regards those Guidelines.

Until we are advised otherwise - the following changes are in place - **bold** *italic* is a quote from the SACA Guidelines (which is compulsory via SACA Rule).

<u>PUPPY Agility TRAINING</u> Small to medium Breed Dogs up to 12 months and Large Breed up to 18 months of age

Jumps - This is taught by placing one or two poles on the ground with the jump uprights in place.

Other Agility Equipment - <u>must be no impact on its body whatsoever</u> Weavers - <u>A puppy MUST NEVER</u> do inline weave poles. The poles should be set apart in two lines so that the puppy runs straight through the middle of the poles and does not flex it's spine in anyway.

These SACA Compulsory Guidelines have been set in place for the health and well-being of a growing puppy. Our Instructors are working at many ways to keep your Puppy Agility Training Interesting.

This change also has the added effect that no 12 months graduation is likely to happen – as clearly we cannot teach jumps nor weavers before that 12/18 month limit. We expect our puppy class to soon be full capacity thus we need to raise the starting age limit – Large Breed Dogs to start at 12 months of age – effective from September 2011.

This is closely monitored – all efforts are being made to accommodate all our members.

Keep enjoying your puppy Yours in Agility

Irma Crews



HOT WEATHER POLICY There will be *no training* for non-trialling dogs/ handlers (Puppies/Beginners, Learners, Advanced Learners and Pre Novice) in agility if the Thursday night weather forecast on Channel 9 News for Elizabeth on the Friday is 32 degrees Celsius and over.

<u>Puppies new Starters</u> *Small to Medium Breeds* – can start at 6 months of age. *Large Breeds* – can start at 12 months of Age Effective September 2011

PDODC 28 May Agility Trial Report

Hi everyone. It was a while ago now but we had a great day at Para at our last agility trial at the end of May. Thanks to the help of a great many people, the trial ran smoothly and finished at a reasonable time. Well done to everyone who passed on the day.

Gaynor Kennedy and myself were newbies to world of organising an agility trial, having never

run one before, and we had a huge amount of help from many people, making the day a combined group effort. Thanks goes to: Rachael Fagan for organising judges, trophies, advertising, and for administrative assistance. Joy Roberts for compiling the catalogue

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(a huge task. Vanessa Loughlin for computer support and general trial preparation. Karen Tanner, Allison Dawson and Sharon Page for working in the office. Jan Cooper for preparing judges' and



stewards' lunches. Club members who volunteered their time to stewards. Competitors who assisted set up and pack up rings Julian Stokes and Jess for running the BBQ. Val and Richard Holland for working in the canteen. Victor Jordan for being our SA



Canine Association representative.

Our next club agility event will be a

mock trial/fun day/fundraiser on Saturday, 24 September. Joy

Roberts and Paul Schroeder will be judging agility and jumping which will include novice, excellent and open courses, Roger Green will be setting a tunnellers course,



Melissa Simmons will be setting a Rally-O course for those interested in obedience, and we will also have 60 weavers, with a



prize on offer for the fastest dog to complete the 60 weavers in the quickest time. Registration will be at 9 a.m. and judging will commence at 10 am. A BBQ lunch will be available. We will need some helpers on the day to steward (4–6 people) so if you have

a few hours to spare, some help would be appreciated. Lunch will be provided to helpers.

I hope you enjoy the photos from the day. That's it from me.

Michelle Stokes



OBEDIENCE: Graduations - June / July

Congratulations to all members and dogs that won Team of the Month. TOM is awarded to the best team graduating from one class to the next. A little reward for people who put extra effort in.

Class 1 - 2: Michelle and Scarlett - TOM Marina and Angus - TOM





Caitlin and Akira Mark and Rogue



Class 2 - 3 Linda and Abby - TOM

Aimee and Bella Leigh and Asha

Melissa and Jarman - TOM Class 4 - 5 Wayne and Sheraz

Class 3 - 4: Di and Bailey - TOM

Brian and Joe Rose and Bella Peter and Molly



ITEMS FOR SALE

- Gentle Leaders
- Tug Toys
- Dumbbells
- Liver Treat Bags

All items vary in price and can be purchased on Sunday mornings during office opening hours.

- Slip Collars
- Clickers (\$6)
- A variety of leads and collars in different sizes and colours.

10 month old male we paid \$600 for him in dec sell \$350 we are getting rid of him as we are looking to move and finding it very hard to find a rental that will let us have pets we already have a 6yr old rotty and 2 dogs seem to be a problem finding a place we really dont want to get rid of him and our kids are so attatched to him but we just cant keep him if we want to move. he needs training as he is a puppy so of course he is not fully trained he needs toilet training still and just general sit stay etc we have done alot of inside training to get him to stay on his bed and things like that. we still have all his vet check papers from when we purchased him as well and he has just had a winet cut as well a few weeks ago.He has a lovely temprement and is of great nature, Want him to go to a good home where he will be treated as one of the family.

any other q's pls call 0434276713 or 0413810948



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