

Slipcollar



OBEEDIENCE GRADUATIONS Pg.17

Winner: Jacqui & Chloe
Peter Foord Memorial Trophy
Top Novice Border Collie: Sept 2013

Break Up Party
24th Nov 9.30am!
Info. Pg.8



After FX Productions



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PARA DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INCORPORATED

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. An appeal to the decision made by the Head Instructor may be made in writing to the Club Secretary and the incident discussed at the next Committee meeting.
6. Children under 10 must be supervised by an adult at all times on the Club grounds.
7. If your dog fouls on the Club grounds you must clean up the deposit immediately. Poo bags are provided on the grounds. If your dog urinates on a Club building or structure, you rinse it off with water.
8. Smoking is not permitted in class or in Club buildings.
9. No alcoholic drinks are permitted in class or in Club buildings.
10. If you arrive late, do not enter your class. Wait until the instructor indicates that you may join.
11. Members must wear sensible shoes – no thongs or bare feet.
12. Any member not in class may not exercise their dog in the vicinity of classes in progress.
13. Please keep dogs well apart to avoid confrontations.
14. All handlers and dogs participate at their own risk.
15. A current vaccination certificate must be presented upon joining or attending a complimentary class. It must also be presented when renewing an existing membership.
16. Dogs carrying a contagious disease may not attend until they are cleared in writing by a qualified vet.
17. Abusive or foul language is not tolerated on Club grounds.
18. Your membership badge must be worn in class. "I forgot" badges are available from the office.
19. There will be no training for Obedience if the Saturday night forecast for Sunday is 32°C or over for the Elizabeth area.
20. There will be no training for non-triallers in Agility if the Thursday night forecast for Friday is 32°C + for the Elizabeth area. There will be no training for non-triallers in Agility if the Thursday night forecast for Friday is 32°C + for the Elizabeth area.
21. There will be no training for beginners in Flyball if the Sunday night forecast for Monday is 32°C + for the Elizabeth area.
22. Any class may be cancelled due to stormy or inclement weather at the discretion of the Head Instructor(s).
23. Sun protection is encouraged for you and your dog.
24. All injuries must be reported and recorded.
25. Class instructors in 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.

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PDODC Agility Class Times - Fridays (pm)

6:30pm Set-up

7:00pm-7:45pm New Dogs, Puppies and Non Triallers

7:30pm Set-up Triallers

8:00pm-9:00pm Triallers

If the estimated Friday maximum temperature for Elizabeth on channel 9 news, Thursday Night, is over 32 or higher, there will be no training.

PDODC Flyball Class Times - Mondays (pm)

6.30pm Set-up and Dog assessment

6.45pm. Beginners

7.30pm Intermediate / Triallers

Weather rule - If the temperature for Monday is forecast on Sunday evening for 32 degrees or higher, there will be no training.
If stormy or inclement weather, training may also be called off.

Presidents Report End Year 2013



Hi All it has been a interesting 2013 as President of the club.

I have enjoyed it immensely we have had a few hic-cups along the way but without the support of all of the committee my job would have been a lot harder.

I would especially like to thank the following people:

- Carmel our Secretary, Ray our Vice president & Council Liaison, Jess our Treasurer & Sharon for their efforts this year.

- Agility Team.
- FlyBall Team.
- General Committee & Canteen Staff.

I apologise if I have forgotten anyone

The club has achieved good membership this year thanks to everyone's efforts.

All our instructors have done an amazing job without All the people above we would not have a strong club.

I am happy to continue as Club President for 2014 & hope to see you all in the New Year.

Please remember that we can experience hot weather early in the year we will not train if the temperature is 32 degrees or higher the night prior to training.

Thanks once again

Greg Davey

President PDODC



1. Always pick up faeces after your dog has defecated and place in the bins provided.
2. When approaching another dog, ask the permission of the owner if it is okay to approach. Do not assume that every dog wants to be approached by unknown dogs or people. After being given the okay to approach an unknown dog, approach calmly and do not allow your dog to rush at them. Keep the leash short enough, but not tight, to pull your dog back quickly if there is a problem.
3. If your dog wants a drink, do not allow them to interrupt another dog while they are drinking. Wait until they have finished, then allow your dog to drink.
4. Do not approach dogs that are tethered and unsupervised.
5. Do not take your dog off lead, unless directed by an instructor.
6. Supervise your children around dogs and always ask permission of the owner before allowing children to pat unknown dogs.
7. Ensure your dog does not become entangled with other dogs' leads.
8. Always allow space between you and your dog and other dogs and handlers. Be aware of your environment at all times.
9. If your dog urinates on any club buildings, get some water and wash the area.
10. Listen to and observe all instruction from club officials and instructors.

Reminder from the Registrar for P.D.O.D.C. - After applying for the title at Dogs SA.

Please give your qualification cards or (copies preferred) of your qualification cards to the Registrar for recording ASAP. Please put the place, for example: 1st/2nd 3rd that you gained on as well, this year many have been handed in with no placing recorded and that makes it even harder to record the points gained in each discipline. It has been hard work to round them all up this year. If you don't hand them to me, you need to leave them in the office with a note on them saying what they are for and who to give them back too. You will only receive a trophy for the EOY if you put PDODC down as your first club, you will receive a badge however if you list PDODC as your second club on your entry form for all disciplines. Games qualifications only receive a badge. Please give them to me throughout the year as it is not acceptable to save them all up and give them in all at once. I will record them as soon as I can and return them promptly to you.

Regards Sharon Page:

Registrar for PDODC.

CLASS TIMES AND SESSION INFORMATION

Whether you aspire to gain titles in dog sports or just want to train for fun and to have an obedient dog that is a good member of the community, PDODC offers its members choices, advice and support.



Obedience class times

Sunday Mornings

8.30am. Utility

9.30am. Puppies/First Timers, & Class 5

10.20am. Class 6

10.20am. First Timers (New Members) Information Session

10.30am Learners & Class 2

11.15am Class 4

11.20am Class 3

11.25am Class 1



OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Sunday 9.00am—11.00am

Membership Fees 2013 .New membership pay an additional joining fee of\$5

Junior (10-17yrs) \$35

Single \$55

Double/Family \$65

Single Pensioner \$45

Double Pensioner \$55 (Full Pension Card) required)



Agility, Flyball and Dances with Dogs classes have an additional cost of \$2 per lesson and \$1 for each additional dog, to cover lighting and up keep of equipment. Membership fees cover a year of training from February to November.

Volunteers needed – Parafield Plaza Thrift Shop

The Animal Welfare League is looking to for volunteers to help out at its Parafield Plaza Thrift Shop. If you are interested in becoming an AWL volunteer and assisting in this store, whether it be for one hour a week or multiple days, then please register your interest now. No previous retail experience is necessary. If you would like to help fundraise for the AWL and are available to volunteer some of you time please call the AWL fundraising team on 83481300

ParaDistrictsObedienceDog ClubAGMand Breakup Day

Sunday November 24th 2013 9.30am

All members are welcome to Para's official club break-up day. Come down from 10 a.m. for a day of fun and GAMES with your 2 and 4- legged friends alike. BBQ food will be available for lunch. BYO chairs, shelters, etc. And don't forget there will be the end-of-year trophy presentation for all the hard work members have put in throughout the year. So let's make it a great day by all participating.

10.15am: Musical Sits While the music is playing, dogs and handlers walk around in a circle in unison. When the music stops, dogs must sit. The dog that is the last to sit is eliminated from the game. The music resumes and the cycle repeats until there is only one dog and handler left in the game, who is the winner

10.30am: 100 metre sprint

11.00am: Apple & Ball Bobbing The game is played by filling a tub with water and putting 1 apple and 1 floating ball in the water. Both dog and handler must catch one with their teeth. Use of hands or paws is not allowed

11.30am: 4 legged race

Slipcollar Classifieds & Advertising

25 words or less, single issue = \$2

1/2 page, single issue = \$5

Full page, single issue = \$10

1/2 page, full year = \$30

Full page, full year = \$60

All ads must be Emailed to: Leigh@nuskope.com.au

Flyball Report - End of Year 2013

Flyball continues to grow at Para, as even with dogs retiring, we still are managing to have 4 teams competing at local competitions. 6 dogs retired this year whether due to age or injury as per the previous Slip Collar magazine. 3 of these dogs were part of the original PDODC Flyball Royal show team and have therefore been competing for 10 years, we wish them all the best in their retirement years - and yes you will still see them from time to time out at training, still enjoying the thrill of jumping over the jumps (even if they are at the lowest height possible) and getting that ball and bringing it back.

We have had 12 dogs gain 16 titles over the last year - congratulations to you all!

Mary will be taking the reins as Head Flyball Instructor in 2014, and I wish her all the best in the position, and I hope she has as much fun as I have had over the last few years.

Merry Christmas and have a safe New Year - see you all in 2014

Chrissy - Acting Head Flyball Instructor



Agility Report – End of Year 2013

As we approach the end of 2013, the numbers for Agility training this year have increased. I would like to thank all the instructors and helpers, because without you we wouldn't have had as much fun and success as we have had.

I am not going to go into detail on who got what over the last year, but would like to say congratulations to everyone that not only gained a title this year, but also those that had success, whether it be in a trial or in training. We must make the most of the positives, even if they seem small, as these small positives build up over time, and who knows, maybe sometime down the track you will achieve what it is you have been aiming for.

Para District Obedience Dog Club, has been well represented in Agility this year, with members trialling in the State Championships, and also Auslink as well as the many trials across the State and also Interstate. Again congratulations to those that achieved their goals.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the Club as a whole as I have had a tough time this year and without the support of my Dog Club Family, it would have been near impossible for me to go on. So thank you all for just being there.

I will continue as Head Agility Instructor in 2014 and hope to see as many of you enjoying spending time with your 4 legged friends over the coming year.

Wishing you all the very best for Christmas and the New Year.

Chrissy – Head Agility Instructor.

Secretary's Report 2013

Carmel Nottle

Well, the end of another year is fast approaching and looking back it has actually been quite a smooth ride this year for me as Secretary. Thanks for everyone on the Committee as a whole performing their roles well and working as a team I haven't had to do much other than take minutes and write the occasional letter. I have managed to keep everyone in line at the meetings this year so these have generally been short and efficient. From my first meeting as Secretary last year which was a 2 hour marathon that only ended because the sprinklers came on, to the last one for 2013 which was a short, sharp 19 minutes from start to finish. I don't know if I can get them any shorter but have never been one to shy away from a challenge.

On a club level we have continued to have a lot of new members join throughout the year which has helped our club stay in a good position financially. I spent some Sunday's helping out in the puppies class which has been a valuable learning experience. At least now I know exactly what I must have looked like the first week I turned up with Gypsy and spent the whole time being dragged around the circle. If she wasn't dragging me she was jumping up and down just bursting with energy. Three years later she still has her excitable moments but I can promise you if you stick with it there is light at the end of the tunnel. The club has also held a number of trials for all the disciplines which have received good reports from those competing.

For me personally this year both of my dogs ventured into the world of trialling. Some outings were more successful than others but all were a great experience. While PDODC doesn't train for Retrieving, thanks for some help from other members I have started trialling my two Labradors in this. Their first trial didn't go so well but there were some really good signs of things to come so I will persevere. It is also a very beautiful and rewarding thing to see your dog do something that is so instinctual and natural to them. Both Gypsy and Bunji gained their Rally Novice Obedience titles, and Gypsy gained her first three Flyball titles and her Endurance Test title.

In a couple of weeks I have them both in their very first Jumping competitions which I am expecting will go horribly wrong not because my dogs aren't ready but because I still have so much to learn. At some point though you just need to take that leap of faith into your first trial and for me November is it. Late in November Bunji will also follow in Gypsy's paw prints and make his Flyball debut. He has big paws to follow as Gypsy has been rock solid all year but I am sure he will do me proud. Not bad for someone who only started doing obedience so I could control my dogs and socialise them.

So whatever your reasons for being at PDODC, I hope you have had a great year and I look forward to seeing you and your dog(s) in 2014.

Regards,
Carmel (Gypsy and Bunji)

******* Dances with Dogs Report 2013. *******

Several competitions were held this year with good results, they are as follows:

Irma and Sisko gained their DWD freestyle starters and HTM starters with very good scores earning them the highest scoring point's award. Julia and Pippin gained their DWD freestyle starters too. Josie and Rory gained their DWD freestyle starters and their HTM starters and with her dog Hamish, DWD freestyle starters and HTM starters. Sandra and Maggie gained their Novice title this year in DWD freestyle too, Congratulations to you all.

On the 1st September PDODC ran a competition on club grounds, that too was very successful for some. It was an extremely hot day for September so some dogs were not performing at their best. Our three judges and SACA rep. came from the southern suburbs so it was along way (an hour each way) for them to drive to judge for us, so thank you one and all who helped on the day and in the preparation for the actual comp. A lot of behind the scenes work goes into organising an actual competition and my right hand person was Alli Dawson who tirelessly helped with everything that was asked of her. Thanks to all the helpers involved in this competition, you made an awesome contribution to the very successful day.

Our numbers this year at practice on a Monday night have been very low so if you think you might enjoy dancing with your dog ask for some information on joining us.

Regards Sharon Page

My Dog Lives In This House

My dog lives in this house. You are welcome to come and visit me anytime but we have a few things that you must understand before you visit. You must expect a few dog hairs to stick to your clothes. I vacuum and clean, but my dog lives here too.

You may be leaned on and find him in your lap a few times but he does this because he loves people and wants to say Hello. So if you feel that you are too good for his love then you are now welcomed here because this is his home too.

My dog is well mannered and very clean but if you are one of those people who think all animals are dirty and smell, then go away. You are not the type of person that I care to associate with. If you don't like the sound of barking, then my home is not going to be a comfortable place for you to visit.

Do not expect me to lock my dog in another room during your visit. I have trained my dog well so he will not do anything to you except maybe want a pat on the head. I will not subject him to feel as if he is being punished by locking him away for no reason. That would be cruel. When you walk into my home, be careful not trip on a stuffed toy or ball. These are my dogs treasures and I will not take them away from him just to show you that I keep a clean house. He knows where all his toys are. They may not look like much to you, but to him, they are worth more than gold.

You see, this is OUR home. We have been together since he was a small puppy scampering around the house. I raised him into a well mannered, beautifully behaved dog.

I am proud of him. I consider him my personal gift from GOD. He has done nothing but give me his endless love and devotion for many years. I love him dearly and want to make his years happy ones. As happy as he made mine.

When I was sick, he stayed right by my side, as I did his when he is not having a good day. A better friend I could not ask for. When no one else cared, my dog did. He has given me nothing but pure joy and I love him endlessly.

So please understand that I am not being rude. I'm just looking out for my best friend. Anonymous



The Moorook Animal Shelter has been rehoming unwanted dogs and cats since 1999 and during this time the shelter have managed to home hundreds of dogs and puppies, cats and kittens. The Moorook Animal Shelter is a non profit / non kill organisation.

We do not discriminate, we provide a second chance for all ages, gender, breeds, colours and sizes as every dog deserves to find a loving home. There are approximately 80 dogs available. They are \$250 each (\$275 if delivered to Adelaide) which includes vaccinations, microchipping and desexing.

The Moorook Animal Shelter has a suitable companion for every household. Appointment is recommended to ensure personnel are on site to assist you. Delivery can be arranged to the Barossa / Gawler / Adelaide region.

Every dog is carefully assessed although absolute accurate assessment in a shelter environment is almost impossible. Dogs are pack animals therefore unforeseen issues may arise when you take him or her home after a short period of time. Due to this, we do encourage a two week trial period as it is critical that all parties of the household are happy with the new arrangement.

It does take time for an adult dog to settle into the new pack, so please give him or her the love and patience they may need through this transition period.

TRADING HOURS

Saturdays - 9am until 3pm

Sundays - Closed

Monday - Friday - please call for an appointment 8583 9393

A BIT ABOUT US: Firstly - we're volunteers, not paid staff. If you come to the shelter you won't see a reception desk with staff waiting for your visit. You're more likely to meet Lola out in the kennels, completely run off her feet trying to get everything done.

If you ring and we don't answer the phone then please leave a message. Someone will get back to you, usually within 24 hours. If you email and we don't respond immediately it's because we also have paid full time jobs - once again we'll get back to you within 24 hours.

Our shelter has made such a difference for so many of the unwanted dogs and cats in our local area. More and more dogs and cats are being rehomed into Adelaide and surrounding areas, and the best thing you can do to help us is let your friends, neighbours, relatives and workmates know that we exist. We may not be able to save every dog or cat, but you can help us try, as every one of them deserves a place to call home.

Current animals for adoption can be found at either:

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Moorook.Shelter?fref=ts> or on

Pet Rescue <http://www.petrescue.com.au/groups/10070>



Obedience Graduations Sept / Oct / Nov

CONGRATULATIONS!

(in no particular order)

Class 1 - 2

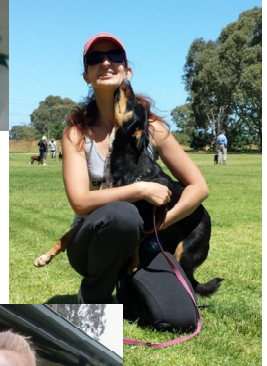
Melissa & Axel - Team of Month

Mel & Mossy - Team of Month

Mark & Koda

Jaymie & Mia

Ted & Lucy



Class 2 - 3

Kylie & Sammy - Team of Month

Linda & Cleo - Team of

Susan & Tinker

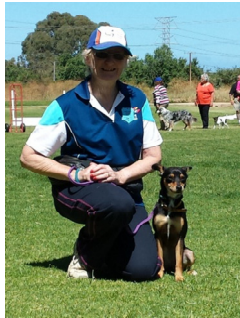
Stephen & Holly

Wain & Molly

Alice & Tessa

Melissa & Axel

Michelle & Zia



Month



Class 3 - 4

Melissa & Lucy - Team of Month

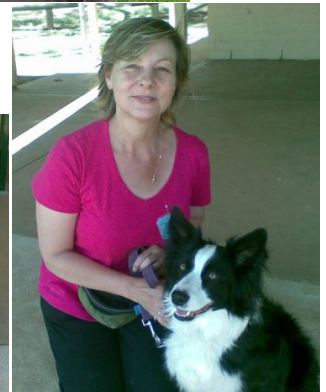
Ashleigh & Gadget

Edward & Cobber

Class 4 - 5

Lucy & Hendrix - Team of Month

Kathie & May - Team of Month



Obedience Graduations
Classes 1 & 2 are graduated on the first Sunday of the month. Grades 3 & 4 are graduated on the last Sunday of the month.

HEAD OBEDIENCE INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT

A big thank you to all the instructors and helpers who have assisted in the running of obedience on Sunday mornings this year, at times running classes has been difficult due to the shortage of instructors but one way or an other we have managed to do all classes.



I thank my assistants Jan, Julian and Sharon for their help and support especially Sharon for doing all the books and paper work if not for her I would have been up that well known creek, Jan did a great job as my assistant and Julian has done a terrific job with the puppy class and all instructors have worked well throughout the year.

Whilst in my thank you mode I better not forget the girls who help out in the office enrolling new members (very important job) and Hilda and Peter selling leads and collars etc. (also important as it helps to boost club finances), and lastly but not least to our canteen helpers I thank you all. If I have not mentioned any one by name I apologise my excuse I'm getting old. Sorry that should be got old.

Some changes were made to classes this year in that class two was moved to the 10.30AM time slot to free up ground space in the first session and to better utilize instructor availability to take the class and this move has worked well. Class four has been divided into potential trailing and non trailing dogs with the non trailing dogs going into the newly started class four fun class and although it has only been going for a few weeks it appears to be working well.

Some members have been successful in the trial ring this year and the title tally is 4 x CCD, 5 x CD, 1 x CDX, 6 x RN, 3 x RA, 2 x RX, 1 x ET, I was surprised by the number of rally titles gained and this may be partly due to Carmel running a rally training class in the 10.30AM session, so a big thank you to Carmel for running this class.

In closing I again thank every one who helped this year and remind you all that we will need you all next year plus any new helpers that we can get, I will not be head instructor in 2014 but I will still instruct so please give the new head instructor all your support as you did for me.

Have a Very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year

Ray Gunter

Head Obedience Instructor 2013

Dances with Dogs (Since 2011)

Dances with Dogs is a new fun way to have fun with your dog. DWD gives handlers and their dogs an opportunity to perform a choreographed routine to music. With its bases in obedience heelwork.

DWD allows teams to innovate and create steps to music giving the impression of dance.

DWD is suitable for dogs of all ages, size and bred.

Class Times at PDODC - Mondays (pm)

In Front of the Green Shed at 6:30pm: All classes.

Contact Person: Sharon Page sharpage4@bigpond.com

IF THE ESTIMATED MONDAY MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE FOR ELIZABETH
(ON CHANNEL 9 NEWS, SUNDAY NIGHT) IS 32° OR HIGHER,
THERE WILL BE NO TRAINING

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

I apologise to members and committee for not being present at this AGM but my six year old grand daughter is having her dancing class end of year concert and I was told be there or else, now the or else might mean I wont get fed and I do like to eat so I'm there getting a cultural education.

I thank all members who have given of their time to help run the club during the course of the year, Sunday mornings have gone fairly smoothly and I believe training on Monday and Friday nights has also gone reasonably well and this is all due to the dedication of instructors and helpers, thank you all.

Salisbury Council has again this year been of a great help when it comes to getting the grass cut and extra rubbish bins for trial days as well as prompt building maintenance when required so a big thank you to my council contacts. While mentioning council, members will be interested to know that council is going to install a 2.4Kw bank of solar panels on the roof this should go some way towards reducing our electricity costs.

My application for a grant to enclose the shed verandah was successful I had been told that it would be done in September or October this year but that must have been incorrect info from council because it hasn't happened yet. When it is enclosed it will be the Flyball storage area and step one towards creating a permanent dog shop for leads, collars etc.

I take this opportunity to appeal to members to put their hand up and help run the club by doing things like helping in the office, canteen, dog shop or aspiring to train as instructors as we can always use extra help in all these areas.

I have lodged a nomination form for Vice President for 2014 and if members are willing I will fill that role as I still have plans to try and get funding to extend the grounds plus other projects that I believe will be of benefit to the members and the club.

May all members and their families have a safe and merry Xmas and a happy New Year and I hope to see you all in 2014.

Ray Gunter
Vice President

2013 AGM Nomination form for 2014 PDODC Club Positions

For full job descriptions, refer to PDODC Inc.'s Job Specifications document. Nominations must be submitted by Sunday 25 November.

PRESIDENT

Shall promote teamwork and foster good relations among club and committee members. Shall represent the club at any official function. Shall attend and preside over all committee meetings. Shall have a knowledge of the PDODC constitution and the SACA constitution and rules.

VICE PRESIDENT

Shall assist the President whenever required. Shall attend all committee meetings and preside over these in the absence of the President.

SECRETARY

Shall keep minutes of all meetings of the club and its committee and attend to all correspondence and issue notices for meetings. Shall provide a first-contact service in a friendly and courteous manner that reflects favorably on PDODC and its committee. Shall perform normal secretarial duties. Shall attend all committee meetings.

TREASURER

Shall receive and provide a receipt for all monies paid to the club and pay the same into a bank account of the club. Shall set up the floats each week for the shop, canteen and office and collect the money at the end of training, balance the money taken, fill in the deposit book and deposit the money. Shall pay all bills promptly. Shall present a report on the finances of the club to each committee meeting. Shall keep proper books of account of all monies received and disbursed on behalf of the club. Shall provide a yearly balance of account for the various club accounts and provide a fully audited Treasurer's report at the AGM. Shall attend all committee meetings.

HEAD OBEDIENCE INSTRUCTOR

Shall coordinate instructors for all obedience classes and oversee all obedience training. Shall answer any queries about obedience classes. Shall authorise graduations. Shall attend all committee meetings

HEAD AGILITY INSTRUCTOR

Shall coordinate instructors for all agility classes and oversee all agility training. Shall answer any queries about agility classes. Shall authorize graduations. Shall attend committee meetings.

HEAD FLYBALL INSTRUCTOR

Shall coordinate instructors for all flyball classes and oversee all flyball training. Shall answer any queries about flyball classes. Shall authorize graduations. Shall coordinate all flyball competitions. Shall attend all committee meetings.

AGILITY TRIAL SECRETARY

Shall engage judges, stewards and SACA rep and helpers for the day, receive agility trial entries and prepare catalogue, judges sheets, stewards and judges badges. Shall obtain prizes/trophies and sashes. Shall attend all obedience trials run by PDODC and ensure smooth running of the office, collate results and prepare qualification cards. Shall submit results to SACA.

AGILITY TRIAL MANAGER

Shall organise rings on the day of trial, oversee the management of the trial, ensure the trial runs smoothly, deal with any complaints.

MAGAZINE EDITOR

Shall prepare club magazine which shall include all events relevant to the club. Shall attend all committee meetings. This position is to be held by a general committee member.

WEB SITE ADMINISTRATOR

Shall maintain the club web site by keeping it up to date with relevant information and uploading 'Slipcollar' magazine and Teams of the Month. Shall receive and direct enquiries via the club's email address. Shall attend all committee meetings. This position is to be held by a general committee member.

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Shall attend all committee meetings, roster in the office on a rotational basis, if available, and assist in the running of trials and events held by the club.

REGISTRAR

Shall collate and update member passes in trials and advise head instructors of titles received by members. Shall liaise with head instructors regarding end-of-year trophies for members.

FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR

Shall liaise with sponsors to obtain raffle prizes, prepare raffles for trials and oversee all fundraising activities for the club. This position is to be held by a general committee member



PARA DISTRICT OBEEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.

2014 COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM



I _____, a financial member of the Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc, hereby **nominate** _____ for **the position of** _____

Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/2013

I _____, a financial member of the Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc, hereby **second this nomination**.

Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/2013

I _____, a financial member of the Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc, **accept this nomination**.

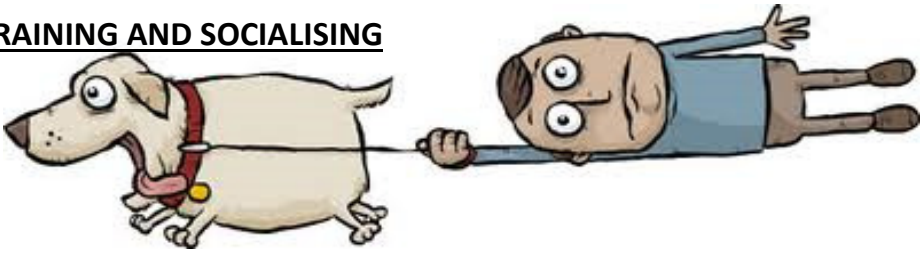
Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/2013

Nominations must be received by 9:30am on Sunday November 24th

Please place completed nomination forms in the Trial Entry Box in the Office by the above date and time

TRAINING AND SOCIALISING



YOUR TRAINING PROGRAM WILL BE MUCH SMOOTHER IF YOU CONSIDER A FEW BASIC THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, YOUR DOG WILL HAVE TO LEARN A WHOLE NEW LANGUAGE – YOURS!

So, use short, simple words such as “No” – “Sit” – “Come” etc, praising and rewarding the dog when the behaviour is what you want and giving gentle correction when it is not. That is the basic formula of all training procedures. Apply it with patience, persistence, consistency and kindness – you’ll be amazed and pleased with the results.

TOP TIPS

Always use a kind but firm voice when you are training your dog.

Practise your commands (simple words such as “No” – “Sit” – “Come”) without being too loud and too harsh – remember that your dog has hearing seven times more acute than your own! Always use the same command for the same thing – saying “No” and then “Stop that” or “Don’t do that” will confuse the dog.

You need to use discipline properly.

We’ve mentioned ‘discipline’, ‘praising’ and using words like “No” etc. The trick to training is to make it clear to your dog – immediately – what is ‘good behaviour’ and what is ‘bad behaviour’. Do this with the same words and a consistent tone of voice.

Use the 1-5 second rule.

Your words and actions must be within one and five seconds, whether you are praising or reprimanding your dog. Dogs have no concept of the past or the future. Most importantly, they must be consistent. Don’t nag your dog constantly. If the dog is ‘in the way’, let the dog go outside for a while. Dogs will display ‘dog type’ behaviours, such as play fighting, chasing and jumping around, some barking, yipping and other vocalisations. A dog is a dog – not a human being.

The dog must always associate coming on command with a reward, even if that reward is simply a pat. When it comes to you it must be praised for doing so. Later on when you are doing some obedience training or calling your dog in the park, you will be rewarded with a dog that comes easily and quickly, anticipating the kind words and pats it will receive when it gets there.

PROFESSIONAL OBEDIENCE TRAINING

It's important that your dog has a degree of obedience training so it will respond to you as its owner and be a well-behaved and social member of your family.

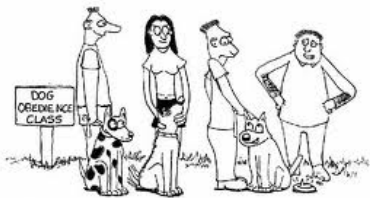


Dogs learn the most about social behaviour between the ages of 6 and 16 weeks. This window of opportunity never reappears so take full advantage of it by introducing the dog to a variety of people, animals and environments.

The best and most inexpensive type of tuition for you and your dog is to join one of the many dog obedience clubs in the state. Dogs can attain a remarkable level of training at your local community obedience dog club.

If your new dog is a puppy, then you'll be able to teach your dog proper behaviour as a youngster. But if you take an adult dog into your family, it's good to remember, "You can teach old dogs new tricks". The vast majority of dogs at these clubs are no longer puppies; many are a few years old. Dogs of any age can learn new exercises. However, if you do acquire a puppy, it's recommended that you start training as soon as possible – this is usually after the puppy has completed its course of vaccinations.

Puppies are encouraged to socialise with other dogs and people to develop their sense of confidence and to help them mature into well-adjusted dogs that are neither aggressive nor shy.



Sit: Hold a small piece of food just above the dog's head/nose slowly moving it backwards so that he is obliged to look up and back into the sit position (If the dog has to jump up to get the reward you are holding it too high).

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"I BELIEVE THE COMMAND WAS SIT!"

Once the dog is in position give him his reward and the command "sit". Dogs taught to sit with food will also sit when there is no food available once the command is understood. This is a desirable method because your dog does not feel confused or physically threatened.

Heel: Before teaching your dog to heel it is important that you have an appropriate walking collar head halter or harness that is fitted properly to your dog. Your dog may grow through several sizes of walking gear so ensure it is always wearing the correct one. Normally dogs are walked on your left side with the lead held in your right hand. The correct position for dog is with its head/shoulder in line with your left leg. The lead should be slack enough to make the letter "J" from your right hand to the dog's collar with left hand (dog side) free. You can hold a toy or food in your left hand just in front of the dog's nose to keep its attention rewarding it when it is in the correct place. Begin practicing where there are no distractions. Whilst training the dog do not try to walk too many steps otherwise you are setting the dog up to fail. A few steps and a reward is more motivating and makes it easier for the dog to learn. Walk a couple of steps forward with the dog in the correct position stop and reward the dog with either praise or food or his toy. As soon as the dog walks out in front of you slow down dramatically so that the dog has to slow down or stop. Once it is back in the correct place you can continue walking. The dog will learn that if it walks out in front of your leg the lead tightens and it has to slow down or stop but when it is in the correct position the lead slackens off and the walk can continue.

If your dog is unsure of itself and lags behind, it should be encouraged with praise to come forward. The use of food to show the dog the correct position can work very well. Your dog will be less likely to forge ahead or lag behind if you make yourself attractive with a reward. Dogs repeat behaviour that they find successful. To use food effectively, only reward your dog when it is in the correct position.

Rewarding your dog - Hold a couple of dog treats in your left hand held loosely by your side. Every few minutes while walking give one to your dog when it is in the correct position. **All training sessions must be short** - no longer than 5 or 10 minutes (less with a young puppy). Quality time is far more valuable than long ineffective training sessions that are boring and tiring for both you and your dog. All training sessions should end with play as a reward for work well done.

WHAT ARE GOOD HOUSE MANNERS?

Toilet training.

The first all-important lesson in good house manners is house training. Teach your dog not to go to the toilet inside the house. This involves conditioning your dog to control its bowels and bladder and to communicate to you that it needs to be let outside to relieve itself. This takes time, but once taught is seldom forgotten. House training adult dogs is similar to training puppies. Obviously, small puppies need to relieve themselves more often, but as they mature they will learn control. Dogs prefer to relieve themselves outside, so if possible, ensure that your dog can get out. For example, have a doggy door installed.

Routine

Routine is the key to quick house training and, in fact, to most training. When your puppy wakes up, it needs to relieve itself straight away. After your puppy eats, it opens its bowels, usually within 10 minutes. The 'paper training' trick does not always work – most puppies simply rip up the paper in a game and then relieve themselves on the floor. Also, this method teaches your puppy to relieve itself in the house – albeit on paper. This is not what we want! Your pup may learn to only relieve itself on newspaper – even if someone is reading it! The best and easiest thing to do is to take your pup outside immediately after it wakes up, again after it eats and immediately after play. Give your puppy plenty of praise when it is successful. Spend a moment reinforcing that it has done something good before you take it back into the house.

If your pup makes a pile or a puddle, never rub its nose in it – it can smell much better than you can and will know exactly what it is and who did it!

Never wake your pup to show it old news; your pup will not make the proper association between the behaviour and your displeasure. If you see your puppy going to the toilet inside, say “no”, pick it up and carry it outside. Then, as soon as you and the still excreting puppy are outside, say “good dog” so it learns that inside is bad and outside is good.

A dog's bed is its castle.

Your dog should have a place that is its own where it can rest away from your family. This area should contain its bed and a water bowl close by. If you decide that your dog will sleep in the house, select a spot out of the line of family traffic. Let your dog know that this is its own area. The area might be part of the laundry for instance, because it is easily cleaned if there are any accidents. Alternatively, a dog run with a kennel and washable bedding should be provided in a shaded and sheltered spot close to your house. If you have a 'home beautiful' style garden, this strategy will also keep your garden safe from unwanted 'gardening' of the dog variety! Puppies, and even some grown dogs, sometimes love to play at digging, hose chewing and so on. Dogs that are confined to runs can become bored very quickly, so remember to give your dog company, exercise and plenty of things to do.

Dogs that dig.

Your dog will dig holes for a variety of reasons. It can be bored, it may do it for exercise, or if the weather is very hot it will dig in order to lie in the cool ground. Again, a fenced dog run confines the problem. Tricks to try include burying crumpled up chicken wire, burying your dog's faeces in the hole, cementing the run and, as odd as it sounds, reprimanding the hole seems to be effective.

Barking dogs.

Firstly, don't let the barking become a habit! Show your displeasure with a firm "No". Barking can be the result of boredom. If your dog barks when it is outside, then the answer can be to bring it inside. Allow your dog to sleep inside the house or try playing a radio to keep your dog company to reduce barking at night. Tying your dog up is a poor solution. It can be dangerous and your dog, through frustration at being tethered, will often bark continuously. Sometimes simple measures like feeding the main meal in the morning or providing toys will help to keep your dog occupied. Increased exercise may help your dog expend its energy in a non-vocal way.

For a persistent problem, your local council or vet will be able to help with behavioural advice.

People furniture and dog furniture. You do not try to share your dog's bed; so don't let your dog share yours! This goes for the lounge room furniture too! This habit is impossible to stop later – so if you allow furniture sharing when you first get a dog, you will have to live with the behaviour for the rest of the dog's life. Similarly, the garbage and wastepaper bins need to be off limits. Be kind, but consistently reprimand your dog every time it attempts these behaviours. Praise good behaviour.

Don't let your dog become a thief. Some dogs are worse felons than others. Teach your dog not to take things from the table or similar. Reprimand when your dog takes something and praise when your dog leaves things alone. Never feed your dog from the table while you are eating or preparing food.

No one likes to be 'walked on'. People list being jumped up on as one of the things they dislike most about other people's dogs. It can be very annoying for you and strongly resented by your guests. When your dog has all four paws on the ground, reward it with a pat and a "good dog". If your dog tries to jump up, gently raise your knee towards the dog's chest as it rears up, or reprimand with a severe "No". Your dog must learn to come quietly to greet you or your guests in an acceptable manner.

What about chewing? Your puppy will be teething for many months. Even at an early age your puppy can chew and destroy many of your prized possessions. Make sure your puppy, or older dog, has things it is allowed to chew, such as hard rubber balls, squeaky toys or rawhides.

Confine your puppy to where you are – don't let it have the run of the house. That way you can keep an eye on it and make sure that it doesn't start to chew the furniture or curtains. Don't let your dog get a taste for leather! This is an extremely hard habit to break later on. So don't ever give your dog an old shoe to chew. In all fairness, a dog will not know the difference between an old shoe and a new one. If you teach your dog that it is okay to chew shoes, do not complain when the dog chews up a pair of your good ones. Even old things are risky – teach your dog from the start that your things are not for chewing. Rotate your dog's toys often – new toys are better than old ones!

SOCIALISING

Socialising is the single most important process in a young dog's life, and how much you do or fail to do will directly affect the future character of your dog.

If your dog is not socialised, it may become shy, fearful or even aggressive. It may not develop the appropriate canine body language necessary to interact well with other dogs. Puppies that have been well socialised generally grow into happy, confident dogs.

Socialising your dog involves introducing it to a whole range of new experiences including meeting different types of people, dogs, other animals, places, smells and noises. Your dog should be introduced to new situations gently and be rewarded for calm behaviour. Remember you are teaching your young puppy skills in coping with the unpredictable nature of life. Who knows when a car will suddenly backfire, a cat will appear or you decide to take a holiday with friends who also have dogs.

Socialisation needs to be done sensibly.

It is important that your puppy can play with other puppies in order to learn bite inhibition. If you have ever watched puppies play, you will notice that there is a lot of mouthing involved. This is a wonderful way for puppies to explore their new teeth and learn just how softly they must bite in order not to cause their playmates any pain.

Dogs

Take care when introducing your dog to other dogs. The best way to introduce dogs is on a leash. Allow your dog to approach the strange dog 'side on', have a quick sniff and step back for a moment. Reward your dog for this brief but friendly interaction.

People

Just as your dog needs to interact with other dogs, it will also benefit from meeting many different types of people. This is a great time to invite your friends around for dinner. Encourage your friends to interact with the puppy, giving food treats and pats for calm and confident behavior. Be sure always to supervise your puppy around children. Make an effort to introduce your puppy to all kinds of people.

It is not simply a matter of letting your puppy play with other dogs or walking it along a busy city street. It is very important that you provide your puppy with as many positive experiences as possible. This will increase its confidence in you as a leader and in the world in general. For example, carefully select the dogs that you allow your puppy to meet. It is better to allow your puppy to meet 5 friendly dogs than 20 dogs in a park at random.

Environment

When introducing your puppy to new surroundings pay attention to your dog's composure. If it is holding its ears back, has its tail down and is trying to make itself appear smaller, it is telling you that it is afraid.

Encourage your puppy gently with a happy tone to your voice and reward it with some food treats as its confidence increases. Encourage your puppy to investigate new surroundings. If the new surroundings are too strange or noisy, your puppy may become frightened. This is not what you want. Teaching your new puppy that new things are scary is counterproductive. Remove your puppy from a stressful situation and gradually reintroduce it to the new environment to build up confidence.

While the most important time for socialising your dog is during puppyhood, it is a process that needs to be continued throughout your dog's life. Major and minor events in our lives shape our personality and attitudes; likewise our dog's character is influenced by events that occur throughout its life.

At some point in your dog's life, it will have an unpleasant experience. You need to ensure that pleasant, positive experiences greatly outnumber any negative ones to ensure that your dog remains a balanced and composed member of your family.

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Summer Care & Travel

Going away?

When planning a holiday, don't forget to plan for your pet too. The best canine travellers are reasonably well-mannered and in good health. If you're considering taking them with you, think very seriously about how you're travelling, where you'll be going and for how long, and what there'll be for your pet to do when you get there. Remember, trips should be enjoyable for the both of you.

If you decide to leave your pet behind, choose boarding carefully, as if you were booking a hotel room for yourself. Absolute Pet Care can suggest local boarding kennels that will take excellent care of your dog.

Dog safety during fireworks season

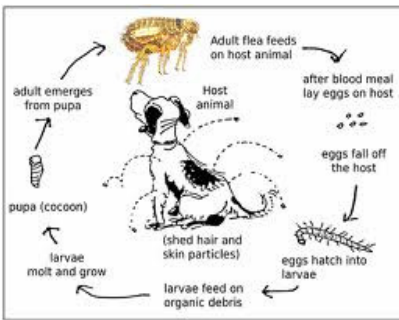
Over New Year, loud noises from fireworks can be a terrifying and even dangerous experience for dogs. Those afraid of loud noises are particularly at risk, as many run away trying to escape the sound. A dog's response to loud noises ranges from cowering or hiding, to excessive barking and frantic behaviour.



Don't punish your dog for being afraid, or try to comfort them, as this will only reinforce the behaviour. Instead, try the following: bring your dog inside to a quiet area; introduce other sounds like the TV to mask the fireworks; and stay with your pet and distract it by playing a game.

Insect control: Fleas

Spring and summer are flea breeding seasons in many areas. Fleas have four life-cycle stages (embryo, larva, pupa and adult), and spring is the time when adult fleas come out of hibernation to start laying eggs again. Their activity is triggered by heat, carbon dioxide and movement—all of which tell them that a host is nearby.



Flea eggs, larvae and pupae all like darkness and humidity, so beds or kennels might get infested too. If you suspect that fleas are around, try to vacuum regularly and make sure that you throw out the used vacuum bags, because sucked-up fleas don't die!

Make sure you wash your pet's bedding in hot water to kill any fleas that might have survived the vacuuming.

Because fleas move quickly, you often won't see them even if your pet has them. They are small (1.5–3.3mm long) and black or reddish-brown after feeding. A sure sign that fleas are around is when your pet starts biting and scratching itself, especially around the tail and thighs. Flea dirt—this looks like pepper sprinkled on the skin—is also a good clue that your pet has fleas. You can tell if it is flea dirt (rather than ordinary dirt) by dropping it onto a piece of wet paper towel, because flea dirt will turn a reddish-brown colour. Groomers like Ken are trained to spot fleas, so regular grooming will help to keep your dog comfortable and flea-free!

Flies

During summer, your dog is also at risk from fly bites. A fly repellent can be applied to the tips of your dog's ears and the dock of its tail to reduce the risks of fly bite irritation. Absolute Pet Care can provide you with the appropriate product to keep your dog happy and comfortable.

Summer eczema

Some long-haired dogs suffer from summer eczema or 'hot spot' (Acute Moist Dermatitis). The first sign of this is a sticky mat of hair where the skin is itchy and oozing serum—if this happens it's best have your pet checked by your vet. They will know what to do and what antiseptics there are to treat it.

Avoiding heat stress

Your dog might be outside a lot during summer. Heat stress can be a real danger, and can even lead to brain damage or death if not treated at once. One thing to do is to have cool drinking water on hand and maybe a small wading pool in the back garden so that your pet can cool down. Or even a nice shady spot to chill out in. A big no-no is for dogs to sit in a hot parked car, where heat can build up very quickly on a warm day.

The signs of heat stress are agitation, heavy panting, glazed eyes and a rapid pulse. Heat stress can be helped with a spray of cool water and ice packs applied to the head, neck and belly to get the temperature down. It is important to place your dog in front of a fan after you wet it. Wetting a dog and leaving it only turns the coat into a thermal blanket, which could add to the problem. Dogs have sweat glands in their feet, so standing your dog in water is good. Alternatively, wet a blanket and place the dog on it. Don't put it over the dog. Remember this is only first aid and a vet should be consulted for further treatment.

Dogs pant to keep themselves cool, and when the temperature is close to or above their body temperature this cooling system becomes inefficient. If a dog's rectal temperature starts to go above 40°C, they are in danger of getting heatstroke.

Outside care during summer

Dogs really enjoy daily exercise in summer. Make sure you take them for walks in the morning or evening, when it's not too hot. It's also a great time to get out and see other dogs around the neighbourhood.

White dogs and dogs with pale ears and/or noses are more prone to being sunburnt. Absolute Pet Care can provide you with appropriate information and products to assist in keeping your dog protected.

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