

Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc.'s

Slipcollar

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(Trading as Dogs SA) &
Australian Flyball Association
Affiliated



Story of the month

Hey all you members of PDODC! My name is Sheraz, and I thought it was about time I introduced myself.

I am a Sable German Shepherd and was born in August 2009, the puppy of Raz and Mika. Somewhere between the 1st and 11th puppy, I made my way into this world! I have 6 sisters and 4 brothers. For 10 crazy weeks, we all had an amazing time in a place called the “back yard”. My Mum, Mika, took wonderful care of us all, and we also had a human Mum & Dad, and friends of our humans coming to visit, and eventually friends of humans’ dogs coming around to play. Oh, it was SO exciting! The humans all talked about “the pick of the litter” and which one of us puppies that might be. I even heard them say that they didn’t want to be biased, and consider me, just because I looked so much like my father!



This got me thinking. I realised that I would have to do something pretty special to secure my place in this household. I was not going to be sold off like cattle! I was going to make sure those humans had no say whatsoever in which of us pups was going to be the so called “chosen one”. I was 4 weeks old, and had learned to walk and run on my wobbly little legs – so I decided it was time to scale the confines of the puppy pen, and investigate the rest of the world. Every day I would climb out of there and slowly follow my nose around the “back yard”. The humans would always find me, and just pop me back into that stupid puppy pen. This made me even more determined – they had to notice me!!



Surely the world revolved around me, I was the most blessed creature ever to live, and that having fun was all that really mattered.... So, I started climbing out of the pen and I would follow the big dogs, through the doggy door, down the hallway, into the big “dog house”. I made my place known in their pack!

When we were all about 7 weeks of age, humans I had never seen before started visiting, and picking up puppies and fussing over them. OMG! They were looking to take each of us somewhere else. So when these visits happened, I would go and hide in the whelping box – because I already had a home – that was right here – not going anywhere peoples! NO WAY!!

Well, my cunning plan worked. They couldn't put ME up for adoption – they said I'd be too much of a handful for anyone. HA! And apparently I was – even for them. Early on I was often referred to as “The Sporn Of Satan”. Sounds kinda cool, hey! The “devil dog” - my human dad called me, especially after I got his attention by eating the TV remote control.

But, my name is **SHERAZ!** My humans named me this because I am the “**she**” version of my father **Raz**. And like any good wine, I am slowly improving with age!

Even though I am in level 4 Obedience, my humans say that I am still too distracted by the rest of my biological family out on the oval. I think this is a pretty good achievement, myself – considering my whole family and some of my siblings are all there trying to get my attention. My dad is taking me to agility classes as well, which is just an absolute cracker! The rest of my family all play a sport called Fly-ball, which looks like so much fun – but apparently I'm not quite ready for that yet. Every time my dad gets me assessed, I just get sooooo excited, I can't help but run back over to my pack, and tell them how much fun it is to tear around off lead! That's not the aim of the game apparently, so I will try harder to contain myself!

I have a wonderful extended family of other dogs and humans as well, who I see every week at this place called “The Club”. It's like a big “back yard” with stuff happening all the time, things to learn, other dogs to play with. It's a pretty special place from what I can see so far!

Hope to see you there.....

SHERAZ!



Dog/Handler Etiquette



- ◆ Always pick up faeces after your dog has defecated and place in the bins provided.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Do not approach dogs that are tethered and unsupervised.
- ◆ Do not take your dog off lead, unless directed by an instructor.
- ◆ Supervise your children around dogs and always ask permission of the owner before allowing children to pat unknown dogs.
- ◆ Ensure your dog does not become entangled with other dogs' leads. Always allow space between you and your dog and other dogs and handlers. Be aware of your environment at all times.
- ◆ If your dog urinates on any club buildings, get some water and wash the area.
- ◆ Listen to and observe all instruction from club officials and instructors.



MEMBERSHIP FEES

<i>Junior</i>	<i>\$30</i>
<i>Single</i>	<i>\$50</i>
<i>Double/Family</i>	<i>\$60</i>
<i>Single Pensioner</i>	<i>\$40</i>
<i>Double Pensioner</i>	<i>\$50</i>
<i>(Full pension card required)</i>	

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 dog to cover lighting expenses and upkeep of equipment.

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

PARA DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.

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.
1. Dogs and handlers must not use equipment without permission of Instructors.
2. 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.
3. Children under 10 years of age must be supervised by an appropriate adult at all times on Club grounds.
4. If your dog fouls the Club grounds you must clean up the deposit
5. immediately. Poo bags are provided on the grounds. If your dog urinates on a Club building or structure, you rinse it off with water. Containers for water can be provided upon request if none are available.
6. Smoking is not permitted in class or in Club buildings.
7. No alcoholic drinks are permitted in class or in Club buildings.
8. If you arrive late, do not enter your class. Wait until the instructor indicates that you may join.
9. Members must wear sensible shoes – no thongs or bare feet.
10. Any member not in class may not exercise their dog in the vicinity of classes in progress.
11. Please keep dogs well apart to avoid confrontations.
12. 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. Replacement or "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 or over for **Elizabeth**
21. There will be no training for beginners in Flyball if the Sunday night forecast for Monday is 32°C or over for **Elizabeth**
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.

**Full Copies of the Club Rules are available in the office
or from the Club website at**

<http://www.paradogtraining.com>

HOT WEATHER POLICY

CLASSES ARE HELD EVERY SUNDAY, MONDAY AND FRIDAY FROM FEBRUARY TO NOVEMBER, EXCEPT 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.





**Monday Night --- 6.30pm -- Club Rooms --
in front of Shed**

**Dancing With Dogs
Irma Crews**

ITEMS FOR SALE

- Gentle Leaders
- Tug Toys
- Dumbbells
- Liver Treat Bags
- Slip Collars
- Martingales
- A variety of leads and collars in different sizes and colours.



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



HELP US HELP YOU!



Volunteers / Stewards are needed for the agility trial on *Saturday 28th May* at the Para Club grounds. Great opportunity for those members who would like to learn a bit more about agility and dog handling.

Please see one of our agility trial instructors if you can lend a hand, even if only for a few hours—it all helps.

RAFFLE PRIZES ARE ALSO NEEDED FOR APRIL OBEDIENCE AND MAY AGILITY TRIALS DOG OR HUMAN—*Please see one of the Para volunteers if you are able to donate any items.*

THANKS

A note from Hilda

For those of you who cant put a face to the name, Hilda is the lady who sells the Para attire and other accessories outside the canteen every Sunday morning. Hilda is a valued member of the club who has devoted a lot of her own time to our club over many years. Hilda suffered a spell of ill-health quite recently although has recovered quite well and is back in fine form! Hilda wanted to let you all know how much she appreciated our get well soon gift and has asked us to pass on her words.....



“The photograph is of the flower Arrangement you sent me, it was absolutely beautiful . Thank you very much.”



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Photo Corner– Can you name the dog?



Teams of the Month

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.

February

Class 2-3

Brian & Joe

Brian & Ben

Jason & Wel-

lington

Kelly & Bella

Maragret &

Sunny

Charley & Angel

Rebecca & Sasha

Melinda & Ran-



MARCH



Class 3-4 John & Os-



Class 1-2

Leigh & Asha

Brian & Joe

Cindy & Cody

Lynda & Abby

Margriet &

Gamble

If you would like a colour copy of your Team of the Month photo for \$3, you may request one when your photo is taken.

Slipcollar Classifieds & Advertising

After something hard to find or wanting to sell something?

Place an ad in the classifieds section of your Slipcollar magazine.

Ads must be 25 words or less for a gold coin donation.

Want something more permanent or a bit bigger?

Have a look at these rates:

1/2 page, single issue = \$5

Full page, single issue = \$10

1/2 page, full year = \$30

Full page, full year = \$60



See one of friendly volunteers about placing an ad.

Next Committee meeting

28th April 2011 at the Para grounds

NORTHERN PET CARE & HOME MINDING SERVICES

Pensioner Rates Apply

*Going Away?
Worried about your beloved pets?
Who will water your plants?
Home security?*

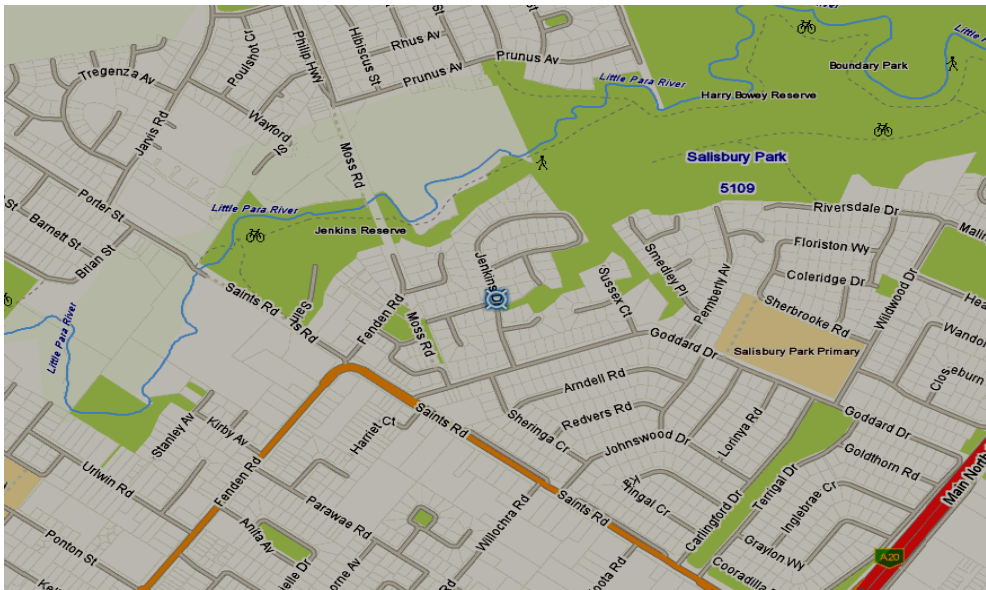
Let us take all your worries away and allow us to look after your home and beloved pets while you enjoy a well deserved break!

Services we offer.....

- Feeding your pets
(incl. medications)*
- Quality time spent with all pets*
- Walking your dog*
- Watering plants/lawns*
- Clearing mail*
- Changing lights/blinds for security*
- Taking out/in rubbish bins*
- Daily service—7 days a week*
- Reasonable Rates*
- Police Clearances and References available*

Please call us and leave a message for more information and a no obligation quote

Neville ph 8289 7149



Office Hours

Sunday mornings 9.15—11.15am

Friday Nights 6.15 pm—8.15pm

Obedience

Flyball

Sunday (A.M.)

Monday (P.M.)

6.30 Set-up and Dog
Assessment

6.45 Beginners

7.20 Intermediates

8.00 Triallers

8.30 Utility

9.30 Puppies, Class 5 & Class 2

10.20 Class 6 & First timers
(*Information session for handlers*)

10.30 Learners

11.15 Class 4

11.20 Class 3

11.25 Class 1

PARA DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB UNIFORM

Embroidered Club Uniforms are available

to all members of PDODC

Orders are placed on a monthly basis. If you would like to order club clothing, please use the order form

Item	Size	Qty	Price
Polo Shirt Kids 4 - 14 Ladies 8 - 20 Adults Small - XL			\$28.00 \$32.00 \$32.00
Caps & Beanies			\$12.00
Spray Jacket Kids 4 - 14 Adults XS – 5XL			\$45.00 \$47.00
Polar Fleece Vest Ladies 8 - 20 Adults S - 4XL Kids 4 - 14			\$36.00 \$36.00 \$33.00
Polar Fleece Full Zip Jackets Ladies 8 - 20 Adults Small - 3XL Kids 4 - 14			\$50.00 \$50.00 \$38.00
TOTAL			\$