



DOG CHAT

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Illawarra Dog Training Club



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Training is back – Lets Go

NOTE FROM EDITOR

Please refer to website for Ground Rules ie. footwear
If you would like to contribute anything for future newsletters or suggestions in what you would like to see please feel free to email them through or hand it in to the Clubhouse and I will include it – Cheers

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Membership Cards

Any member on the grounds is asked to wear their membership card. This will allow records to stay up to date, helps us out when recording the information and most importantly it protects you.

In case of an emergency, it will help us identify quickly and efficiently.

If you have misplaced your card or holder replacement cards and holders can be purchased at the clubhouse for \$2.

Extreme Weather Cancellations

We ask our members to keep an eye on the social media Facebook and Instagram on days when it is extremely hot or electrical storms are around. Illawarra Dog Training Club must abide by Dogs NSW and we have a duty of care to all our members including the dogs to keep everyone safe.

Cancelling any training day is a decision not taken lightly but sometimes it is necessary.

CHIEF INSTRUCTORS REPORT

As at last weekend it has been 13 weeks (excluding public holidays) that the grounds have been unavailable for use. We have been able to continue with the puppy classes by using the clubhouse and veranda. Next week end is another public holiday week end and then, thanks to a good turn out on our initial working bee back in April and ongoing mowing's, by various members since, we plan to recommence training on 18th June, (provided no more instances of heavy rain).

Looking forward to seeing everybody back at and enjoying training once again.

Cheers

Tony



The rain may have cancelled multiple trials but we have still been busy.

Our recent trial results are: -

Bathurst	29.04.22			
Floyde Gilbert with Finn	Rally advanced	99 points	1 st place	
Sutherland	15.05.22			
Floyde Gilbert with Finn	Rally advanced	98 points	1 st place	
Southern Highlands	05.06.22			
Roz Manning with Pluto	Open	178 points	Title	
Floyde Gilbert with Finn	Rally advanced AM	100 points	1 st place	
Loreena Tate with Zula	Rally novice AM	94 points	3 rd Pass Title	
Floyde Gilbert with Finn	Rally advanced PM	94 points	1 st place Title	
Graham Aggio with Banjo	Novice	3 rd Pass	Title	
Graham Aggio with Banjo	Rally Novice	1 st Pass		

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING

SPECIAL THANK YOU

**WE ASKED FOR HELP WITH A WORKING BEE
AND YOU DELIVERED.
WITH THIS HELP WE ARE NOW ABLE TO
RESUME TRAINING - WITHOUT YOU WOULD
NOT BE POSSIBLE**

Thank you to all our members and volunteers who turned up to the working bees with mowers, whipper snippers, rakes, tarps and boy oh boy did you all put in 150%

The grounds were not the easiest to mow, over a foot high, soft ground but that didn't deter you all.

A thank you does not seem to be enough but you really did save our grounds and enable us to resume training.

We are all very grateful for your help, we are all really chuffed with the working bee response.

Thank you, thank you, thank you



EXCITING NEWS!!!!

Whilst training had been halted due to the crazy amount of rain we have been busy in the background working away.

The trial was in full preparation mode and with the help of a passionate member (Floyde Gilbert) of the club managed to get IDTC some sponsorships for our trials and our Puppy Classes.

Blackhawk offered to supply Prizes towards the trial, and all number cards. It didn't stop there they have offered to support our puppy classes as well. How lucky are we and our little fur friends?

Unfortunately, our trial cannot go ahead but we thank Blackhawk for the sponsorship and hopefully at the next trial we can have it all showcased.



We also have another sponsor of BENEDICT RECYCLING who has offered the club \$1000 to go towards the trial. Once notified about the trial postponement to 2023 they are happy for the money to go towards trialler preparation and training.

So, if you are keen to start trialling now is the time and watch this space. Opportunities will come available very soon with the help of this sponsor.



So, a massive thank you to Blackhawk, Benedict Recycling and Floyde Gilbert

NEWS!!!!

Due to the amount of rain and damage of the grounds we have had to postpone the trial to next year as we could not guarantee that the grounds would be trial ready.

TRIAL 3rd JULY 2022 POSTPONED TO 2023

Bev Charnock Memorial Double Obedience Trial

We are very disappointed that this will not be going ahead so we put the challenge out to our members.

We would also like to thank our new sponsors BLACKHAWK and BENEDICT RECYCLING who were going to provide Prizes and funds to go towards the trial. Hopefully next year we can showcase our sponsors at the trial.

Ever thought about trialling with your best friend – aim for next year at our local dog trial. We will support you.

We would love to build our IDTC Trialling Team if you would like to know more or start trialling training talk to your instructor or see us in the club house.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Due to the disruption of covid and now our unfortunate weather conditions the club has decided that all current financial members will be carried over for the year 2022-2023.

That's correct you read it right

So, all current financial members will not need to renew for this year as it will automatically roll over.

What do you need to do;

Nothing – all current members will carry over with this year's blue card in July.

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS AVAILABLE

If you would like to be around dogs and people helping out on a Saturday afternoon, we would love to hear from you. Just see the girls in the Clubhouse

General Duties / Canteen

Set up & Pack Up

Vet table helper

Train to be an instructor

RALLY O TRAINING

We would like to introduce RallyO training to IDTC and are seeking Expression of Interest, just let us know in the clubhouse. It is a great introduction to competition leading into obedience plus a great way to train and have fun with your dog.

We have been lucky to have Shannell Corban to guide us and we will have two rings set up for different levels.

Save the date Saturday - August 13th @ 11am TBC

Let us know if you are keen

PUPPY NEWS!!!

We would like to thank Blackhawk who has agreed to sponsor our Puppy Classes. Our lucky puppy teams will get some treats at every training session and a special certificate.

Our little puppy teams may even make it on social media platform and who could resist that when puppies are so cute and will do wonders for Instagram socialites -tag Blackhawk *(Please let Danni in the clubhouse know if you wish to be excluded from photography)*

So, watch this space as new graduation photos will be coming through be prepared for cuteness overload.



PUPPY PREP COURSE

The puppy prep course is a four (4) week certified course which runs monthly with limited numbers. Payment is cash only or bank transfer on your mobile device.

Joining Fee \$100

Included in the cost is the full four-week course, single adult membership to the club, a puppy collar, comprehensive notes & general Information booklet and special treats from our sponsor Blackhawk.

BOOKING ARE ESSENTIAL – After hours on 0419 485 476

3pm – 4.30pm

Puppy Class

July Intake	August Intake	September Intake
9 th July 2022	2 nd August 2022	3 rd Sept 2022
16 th July 2022	6 th August 2022	10 th Sept 2022
23 rd July 2022	13 th August 2022	17 th Sept 2022
30 th July 2022	20 th August 2022	24 th Sept 2022

TOPIC OF THE MONTH

Hydrotherapy

Hydrotherapy is used to relieve pain and promote physical well-being; it is a controlled exercise using the therapeutic properties of water which is maintained at the optimum temperature of 28-30°C. The thermal effect promotes the circulation of blood flow which relaxes tight muscles and eases pain and inflammation.

Hydrotherapy can be used for rehabilitation for both pre and post-surgery, weight management, mental stimulation, fitness, conditioning, water confidence or just outright fun!

Exercising in water helps dogs regain strength, reduces swelling and stiffness, improves range of motion, strengthens and improves muscle tone.

We welcome clients to attend for fun and general fitness. Swimming is great for general strength, cardiovascular conditioning and weight management.

Agility dogs' benefit from the extra muscle strength and show dogs for body conditioning.

Movements in the water are resistive, supportive, compressive, relaxing and comforting.

The heated water and the buoyancy can help achieve exercises in water that would not be possible on land.

As members of a multi-modality team, we will liaise closely with clients' vets and other specialists. A veterinary health clearance form is required for all hydrotherapy treatments prior to their first session, even for a fun swim. This ensures your hydro therapist has a complete picture of your companion's condition, behaviour, clinical history and any contraindications for hydrotherapy.

Hydrotherapy is used for

- Arthritis management
- Pre and post operative care
- Fun & Fitness swimming
- Learn to swim and water confidence
- Gait and posture retraining
- Weight management
- Pain management
- Hip and elbow dysplasia
- Soft tissue injuries
- Muscle wastage
- Cruciate ligament
- Neurological conditions
- Tendon injuries
- Ligament injuries
- Spinal injuries
- Fibrocartilagenous embolisms
- Chronic Degenerative Rediculomyelopathy
- Cervical spondylomyelopathy
- Luxating Patella
- Strength and conditioning
- Maintaining mobility in older dogs
- Post operative amputees

Benefits of hydrotherapy

- Increase cardiovascular fitness and conditioning
- Provides mental stimulation
- Pain management- relief of pain, swelling, stiffness and reduced inflammation
- Assists with weight reduction
- Non or partial weight bearing exercise
- Treatment in a controlled environment
- Relax muscle tension or spasm and increase blood circulation
- Increase joint range of motion
- Increase muscle bulk, strength and tone
- Improve muscle patterning and recruitment – extremely important for spinal injury dogs
- Prevent secondary complications as a result of limb disuse, muscle contracture, gait abnormalities
- Slow the progression of the effects of degenerative disease – including osteoarthritis and degenerative myelopathy
- Improve quality of life – especially for older or disabled dogs
- Intensive low impact exercise
- Increase speed of recovery

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We are happy to support and recommend Water Walkies.
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it is a local business who has been supporting the club with raffle prizes.
There is huge envy with that pack.

If you have any questions about hydrotherapy, ask in the Club house as
many of us are regulars or give the girls a call.

It is great for enrichment and fitness, also teaches your dog to swim.
See website for Vet Consent Form for your first visit

GRADUATIONS

We don't have a lot of graduations due to training closure

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS FOR 2022

Jenna with Luna the Bernese Mountain Dog
Sharna with Cora the Mini Cavoodle
Nicky & Michael with Jango the Miniature Pinscher
Kaitlyn & Brayden with Hercules the Mastif x Great Dane

Paul with Otis the Groodle
Tiffany with Angus the Cavoodle
Mary with Molly the Aussie Doodle
Luke & Jordern with Morty the Groodle

Welcome to the Club and we look forward to being part of your journey.
If you have any questions, feedback please do not hesitate to talk to any
of our instructors, volunteers or members.



2021/2022

Executive Committee			
President	Linda Thomas		
Vice President	Mark Johnston		
Chief Instructor	Tony Gardiner		
Treasurer	Carol Zietsch		
Secretary	Danielle Zietsch		
2021/2022 Committee Members			
Kyle Charnock	Kim P	Mark Johnston	
Loreena Tate	Phil Rath	Julie Blanchard	
Dave Cooper	Lorraine Lipman	George Bartolo OAM	
Life Members			
Ron Wilson	Kay Jefferys	Tony Gardiner	Carol Zietsch
June Franks	Phil Rath	George Bartolo OAM	
Kyle Charnock	Peter Franks	Bev Charnock (dec)	
Instructors			
Mark Johnston	Linda Thomas	Dave Cooper	David Chester
Phil Rath	Lorraine Lipman	George Bartolo OAM	Dianne Wastell
John Hallett	Pam Townsend	Julie Blanchard	Loreena Tate
Heather Kennedy	Geoff Taylor		

Meetings are held Bi-Monthly and are open to club members to attend. We would love to see you.

AGM & Meeting
9TH AUGUST 2022
7pm – 8.30pm

IDTC Club House
JJ Kelly Park
Swan Street
Wollongong



IDTC Annual General Meeting 2022

June 25 {Meeting}

Election of returning officer for coming A.G.M on 2nd August 2022.

Notice of forthcoming A.G.M. with list of positions for election and notice of closing dates.

Criteria and closing dates for postal votes listed, nomination forms available, include categories for positions.

July 12th

Nominations for elected positions close and requests for postal votes close. Nomination forms must be signed by the nominee and at least one other member.

BY July 19th

Alphabetical list of nominees for elected positions sent to members who formally and correctly requested a postal vote.

This list to include the number of committee meetings scheduled and attended over the current year for all candidates who are standing for re-election.

All voting forms to be initialled and numbered on the top right-hand corner, include a stamped and addressed envelope for return of ballot paper.

A record is to be kept of number of ballot forms issued

August 2nd {Meeting} Annual General Meeting.

All elected positions declared vacant and returning officer takes the chair.

Pre-prepared ballot papers {as used for postal votes}, numbered and initialled in top right-hand corner.

Current list of members entitled to vote supplied to returning officer.

Election of not less than 2 scrutineers.

Counting of votes to be done by the returning officer, assisted by the scrutineers

The president or the vice president or any person standing for election may also be present at the counting of votes

POSTAL VOTING PROCEDURE:

REQUEST

Request for a postal vote must be made to the secretary at least 21 days prior to the A.G.M. ie by 12th July 2022.

This request must be in writing, signed by the member requesting such a vote and must include a stamped, addressed envelope.

VOTING

Cross out all names except those for whom a vote is to be lodged.

Insert completed ballot paper only in envelope supplied and endorse name on inside flap of said envelope.

Return or cause to be returned said envelope to Club's office by not later than 5.00pm 1st August 2022.

Election of Office Bearers and Committee

41. The Office Bearers and the Members of the Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and shall take office at the close of the Annual General Meeting at which they are elected. The office bearers will hold office for 12 months.
42.
 - (a) Nomination of Members proposed as Office Bearers or as Members of the Committee shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting and shall be signed by at least one member and the nominee.
 - (b) Any Member desirous of voting by mail shall register such desire with the Secretary at least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting. Such registration shall be accepted by the Secretary if in writing, signed by the Member registering and if a stamped and addressed envelope to that Member is enclosed with such notification. A Member who has so registered shall be called a "Postal Voting Member".
43. A list of all such nominations shall be sent to each of the Postal Voting Members at least fourteen (14) days prior to the holding of the Annual General Meeting. Such list shall contain in respect of a retiring member of the Committee whose name appears thereon the number of such meetings held during the preceding years, and the number thereof which they attended, whilst they were a member of the Committee.
44. If there be not a nomination for the Office of President or Vice-President, or if a Member nominated for such office declares at the Annual General Meeting verbally or in writing that he/she is unwilling to stand for that office, or if the number of Members required for election as Members of the Committee is not nominated, the Members may propose and second orally at the Annual General Meeting, sufficient Members to fill any such office.
45. If there be more than the required number of Members nominated for the election to any office, an election by ballot shall take place, but if there be only the requisite number, the Chairperson shall declare those nominated to be duly elected.

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