

Patron: Mrs Betty Cabena

NEWSLETTER

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EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB



WELCOME AND HAPPY TRAINING EVERYONE!

YOUR COMMITTEE

Office Bearers

President	Brian Arter	9874 1432
Vice President	Graeme Carter	9887 2564
Secretary	Andrea Sciberras	9877 1528
Treasurer	Michael Macneil	9848 4902

General Committee

Carlene Wilson, Janelle Burns, Yvonne Kitch, Erina Wotherspoon

INTRODUCTION

Our Club was formed in 1969 to cater for those owners of purebred dogs who were interested in trailing their dogs to Obedience Trial standard and has been very successful in this regard. On being granted affiliation with the Victorian Canine Association in 1979, all breeds whether registered or not have been accepted.

CLUB RULES

- All dogs should be kept on leash at all times, excepted when given permission to work off leash in class.
- Handlers wishing to leave their dogs tied up on the Club grounds should only do so if their dogs are safe with people especially children. No dog may be tied up where it can reach another dog.
- Dogs in season should not come down to training for four weeks. This does not mean you should stop the training of your dog.
- Dogs must be immunised against distemper and canine hepatitis before coming to classes. This should also be renewed yearly.
- A dog suffering from any illness or skin problems should not be brought to classes until a Vet has pronounced the condition not contagious.
- Handler must remove their dogs excreta from the training area implements are provided.
- Physical punishment of dogs is not permitted in training classes.
- Instructors have authority over their classes and may ask a member to take their dog out of class if it is disruptive.
- Instructors are not permitted to handle and train a member's dog in class.
- While at the grounds before and after classes please control your dogs.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hello Members

Well here we are nearly at the end of the year, and Christmas is just around the corner so I will take this opportunity to thank our Instructors Michael, Graeme, Andrea, and my fill in Instructors Melissa and Erina for being at training on Sundays.

We had our Fun Day on Sunday the 16th of October the weather was great and everyone had a good day, thanks to Andrea and our Committee who were there to organize the day, also thanks to our chef BBQ cook John Kitch who came and helped out.

We also held our Obedience trial on Sunday 30th October the weather was excellent and the ground looked great, the committee and judges all commented on how good it was. Thanks again to our committee, members, and helpers from outside the Club for making it a great day.

To all new members, and members that have rejoined welcome to the Club, hoping your training with us is enjoyable. If you have any questions about your dog please ask your Instructor. Don't forget there is tea and coffee supplied so please stay after class and have a cuppa with us. I was saddened to hear that Michael's little girl Miffy passed away on Friday 4th November. My thoughts are with you.

On a lighter note I would like to wish all members a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year, Please keep up your training over the Christmas break but don't over do it.

Happy Training Brian Arter

NEW MEMBERS

Ingrid Welby Chelsea Laing Jamie Nyberg & Jane Sheild Liz Heaney Evelyn Roberson Sharni Prasoel James Fuss Eddie Di Fiore Tony Vasallo Leman & Taner Dagdeviren Heather Mcminn & Mark Beatson Michael Walsh Jessie Xi Luke Hoogenboom Dosgi Alan Farguhak Jasmine Mar, David Chen Jason, Anita, Joe, Xue Heather Tracksdorf Judith Bethune Barry, Marilyn Elliott Hues, Clement, Wong & Margaret Hay, Kenneth Kam	Mistie Wil Millie Toby Hayley Sam Buffy Jay Yoshi Pasha Sasha Roxy Bei Bei Tex Moose Bailey Tia Beuty Lochie Harley Ben Bella	Mini Schaunzer Border Collie Jack Russell Terrier Golden Retriever Kelpie X Border Collie Cocker spaniel Staffordshire Bull Terrier Pointer x Kelpie Chinese Crested Dog Weimaraner Labrador Retriever Labrador X Dalmation Pomeranian X Labrador Retriever Jack Russell Terrier Spoodle Spoodle Shetland Sheepdog Labrador retriever German shorthaired Pointer Golden Retriever
Shu Yap, Ben Steer	Chuck	Labrador X Staffordshire Bull Terrier

RENEWALS WELCOME BACK

Henk Buunk Samson Great Dane

Phil Tsararos Roxy & Max Rottweiler & Labrador Retriever

Janet Mitchell Scout Boxer X Labrador

Robert Musz Jedda Rottweiler

RENEWALS ARE NOW DUE FOR 2005 - 2006

CLUB DATES

Obedience Trial Dates For 2005

ClubDateCroydon & District Obedience Dog Club11th Dec

Eastern Suburbs Obedience Dog Club 2005 Calendar

JANUARY	18 th	Committee Meeting
FEBRUARY	6 th	Training Starts
FEBRUARY	20 th	Obedience Trial
MARCH		Committee Meeting
APRIL	10 th	Fun day
JUNE	5 th	Committee Meeting
JUNE	25 th , 26 th , 27 th	Tracking Trial
JULY	17 th	Committee Meeting
SEPTEMBER	18 th	Committee Meeting
OCTOBER	16 th	Fun day
OCTOBER	30 th	Obedience Trial
NOVEMBER	13 th	Committee Meeting
DECEMBER	9 th	Annual General Meeting
DECEMBER	11 th	Last Day of Training, Fun Day

FOR UPDATES TO THIS CALENDAR PLEASE CONSULT YOUR NEWSLETTERS

All articles etc, for Newsletter to be given to Andrea Sciberras

TRAINING TIPS

Please do not forget to train your dog over the Christmas holidays. Just don't bore your canine friend with to much training. A couple of minutes every day will do while we are on our Christmas break. Now all you have to remember is do the same as you have been doing when you are in class at the school. Like getting the dogs attention sitting, standing for examination, standing, dropping, having the dog heeling beside you and last but not least sit and down stay and a recall.

When you take the dog down to the park for a run would be a good time to do some training, then the dog can be rewarded with a free run after the training.

Never give up training your dog, you can do it.

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CLUB NEWS AND REMINDERS

Vaccinations

Don't forget to have your dog vaccinated when the time comes around, to safe guard your dog while out and about, it is one of the requirements of the dog school so as soon as you have revaccinated your dog please show the vaccination card to your instructor.

To all Dog Owners

Please don't forget to carry something to pick up the poo when walking your dog. This is required by law. You are responsible for what your dog leaves behind and fines can be hefty if you are caught not cleaning up the mess.

Results Fun Day 16th October

Mini Agility: 1st Darren & Bailey, 2nd Melissa & Chloe, 3rd Phil & Buffy. Dog and Handler Race Boys: 1st Phil & Buffy, 2nd Andrew & Lulu, 3rd Darren & Bailey Dog and Handler Race Girls: 1st Melissa & Chloe, 2nd Jamie & Milly, 3rd Gayle & Lady

AGM and last day of training

Our AGM will be held on Friday the 9th December 2005, Venue Pigeon Club, Dunlavin Road Nunawading, at 8.00 p m

Last day of training will be Sunday the 11th December 2005

Commencement of Training in 2006

We will resume on Sunday the 5th February 2006

EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB FUN DAY

The Committee Invite You

To Our Games and Sausage Sizzle

On Sunday December 11th 2005

At Simpson Reserve Mitcham

Between 9.00am - 11.00am

The games we are having are:

Mini Agility

Fastest Eater

Dog and Handler Race. Boys & Girls

GUESS HOW MANY JELLY BEANS OR WHATEVER IN THE JAR COMPETION

PRESENTATION

WILL BE HELD AT THE END

Hope you all stay for the presentation

If inclement weather please phone Brian on 9874 1432 or Ann on 9877 1528





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MIFFY

to her friends

19 March 2000 to 4 November 2005

Those who knew Miffy will be sad to know that she lost her battle with cancer a few weeks ago. Never one to be backward where people are concerned, she made lots of friends, many of them at this Club.

There is a saying that if you do something twice with a Border Collie it becomes a habit and in Miffy's case there was never a truer word spoken. She was a guick learner and never failed to



prompt me when she felt she had earned a reward. This was especially the case after classes finished on Sundays when, once she had been released, she would dash for my bag to claim the ball-on-a-rope which she adored chasing.

She was quick to learn but, much to my frustration, after picking up her Novice title after only five trials was never able to carry that success into the Open ring. Part of our problem was her attachment to me. She hated me to be out of her sight when she knew I was around, which was never a help when we were doing the Open "Stays".

For all that, she was a delight to have about. She was a huge success as a "Pets as Therapy dog". Elizabeth regularly took her to visit a rehabilitation hospital where she seemed to have a natural affinity for people recovering from serious injury and brought joy to patients and staff. In her later years I swear she could

read my mind and so often anticipated my actions.

She was a happy, loyal, and affectionate dog and brought happiness to so many people.

"Go free!" little friend.

Michael Macneil