

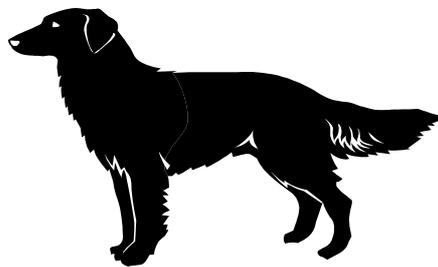


Patron: Mrs Betty Cabena

December 2004

NEWSLETTER

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	Russell Gamble	9877 2135

General Committee

Carlene Wilson, Janelle Burns, Yvonne Kitch, Michael McNeil.

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

December 2004

Hello Members

Well here we are Christmas is here, so I will take this opportunity to wish all members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I would like to thank all the Instructors for their time and effort that they have put in during the year.

Do not forget our Annual General Meeting on Friday night the 10th of December at 8.00 p m. Pigeon Club Dunlavin Road, Nunawading (Melway 48. H8). All members welcome, so please come along, as there are presentations during the night

Our last training day for 2004 is on the 12th December it will be in the form of a sausage sizzle and games.

We will resume training in 2005 on Sunday 6th February, please keep up your dogs training over the break, see you all next year with well-trained dogs.

Welcome to all new Members remember there is tea, coffee and biscuits supplied after training, and if you have any questions about your dog please ask, the Instructors and myself are only to pleased to help solve you problem.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
And Happy Training

Brian Arter

NEW MEMBERS

Beryl & Harry Raufer	Mizzie & Oscar	Staffordshire Bull Terrier
Heather & Zalon Thomas	Milly	Staffy X Kelpie
Denise McClusky	?	?
Robert Musz	Jedda	Rottweiler
Helia, Manfred, Daniel	Bonnie	Bernese Mountain Dog

RENEWALS WELCOME BACK

Ivan & Helen Webster	Strike & Middy	Labrador Retriever
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RENEWALS ARE NOW DUE FOR 2004 - 2005

OBEDIENCE TRIAL DATES 2004

Club	Date
Wangaratta K & O Club	Sat 21 at Jul
Wangaratta K & O Club	Sun 22nd Jul
Western Port Obedience Dog Club	Sat 28th Jul

Moorabbin & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 29th Jul
Sunbury & District Obedience Dog Club	Sat 4th Sep
Northern Obedience Dog Club	Sun 12th Sep
Shepparton & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 26th Sep
Warringal Obedience Dog Club	Sun 3ed Oct
German Shepherd Dog Club - indoors	Sat 9th Oct
Knox Obedience Dog Club	Sun 10th Oct
Altona Civic Obedience Dog Club	Sun 17th Oct
Werribee Obedience Dog Club	Sat 23rd Oct
Gisborne & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 24th Oct
Eastern Suburbs Obedience Dog Club	Sun 31 at Oct
Bairnsdale Dog Obedience Club	Sat 6th Nov
Geelong Obedience Dog Club	Sat 6th Nov
Gippsland Obedience Dog Club	Sun 7th Nov
Southern Obedience Dog Training Club	Sat 13th Nov
Ballarat Dog Obedience Club	Sun 14th Nov
Portland Obedience Dog Club	Sat 20th Nov
Portland Obedience Dog Club	Sun 21st Nov
Victorian Obedience Dog Club	Sun 5th Dec
Croydon & District Obedience Dog Club	Sun 12th Dec

EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB 2004 CALENDAR

JANUARY	18th	Committee Meeting
FEBRUARY	1st	Training Starts
FEBRUARY	22nd	Obedience Trial
MARCH	14th	Committee Meeting
MARCH	28th	Fun day
JUNE	6th	Committee Meeting
JUNE	26th	Tracking Trial
JUNE	27th	Tracking Trial
JULY	18th	Committee Meeting
SEPTEMBER	12th	Fun day
SEPTEMBER	19th	Committee Meeting
OCTOBER	31st	Obedience Trial
NOVEMBER	14th	Committee Meeting
DECEMBER	10th	Annual General Meeting
DECEMBER	12th	Last Day of Training, Fun Day

FOR UPDATES TO THIS CALENDAR PLEASE CONSULT YOUR NEWSLETTERS

All articles etc, for Newsletter to be given to Russell Gamble or Andrea Sciberras

Training Tips

Always be consistent with your training, if your dog is not responding to your commands, then go back to basics and show your dog what you want of him 1 her.

Always walk off on your left foot when heeling the dog, if you have placed your dog on a sit stay do not forget to leave on your right foot.

Only give one command not three or four quick responses, show the dogs what you want of them, and encourage the dogs instead of pulling their heads off.

Christmas is just around the corner, and your Club will be having a break from training from 12th December, the last day of training until the 6th February 2005.

Our AGM on the 1^{0th} December all members most welcome, directions elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Dear Dogs

Taken from "Good Owners, Great Dogs"

If I could have five minutes to talk to man's best friend, here are a few of the things I would ask:

Why do you always throw up on carpets regardless of how much linoleum there is?

Is there a reason you want to lick my face after you drink out of the toilet?

Why do you roll in disgusting things or run through a mud puddle moments before I intend to put you in the car?

How is it that you won't eat the \$40.00 bag of dog food I buy you, but the cat box is haute cuisine?

Is it mandatory that you look at me blankly when I issue a command in front of guests, though you do these things by heart when it is just you and me?

How do you manage to shed all your dark hair on my light coloured clothing and all you light hair on my blue suit?

How come you belch exclusively in my face.

Dog For The Day

We always make him welcome, each time he comes to stay.

He knows he doesn't live here, it's only for a day!

He won't need entertaining, he makes that very clear no fun, no games, no dinner we'll hardly know he's here!

And burglars could enter and help themselves with glee it wouldn't be his business, it's not his house, you see!

He's only on a visit, just killing time, it's plain, till someone can collect him and take him home again.

And though we offer friendship and love without fail, he listens for the footstep that makes him wag his tail.

Out of newsletter, Blue Cross Animals Society of Victoria

BAKED BIKKIES

Before you start, these are not always popular with dogs - however many love them.

Ingredients: Small packet of beef or chicken stock. Cubes have too much salt, which is added to make up with water 1.5 litres. If you wish, add no name instant milk powder to the solution and mix skim milk for fatties.
2 kg wholemeal flour - you might prefer to make up the 2kg with a mix of flour - 1.5kg and substitute lecithin and wheatgerm to make up the mix to 2kg.

165g Oatmeal
55ml Vegetable oil

Method: Mix the dried ingredients together. A plastic laundry bucket saves heaps of stress and mess. You can add granulated garlic and /or finely chopped parsley if you want. If you are making liver snaps that day finely chopped pieces of liver are quite happy to mince in your food processor. Remove any skin or sinews before pieces. If you are feeling generous to the dry mix and additives add the 1.5 litre of liquid and squish around until you have a still mix. Rubber or surgical gloves make commonsense - they are easier to clean than bare hands. Then, on a greased oven tray place your mix, appropriately presented for the size of your dog. Set oven at 150 celsius. Little dogs and puppies cope with a flat biscuit easier. Roll the Mix out to the desired thickness - do it in batches and cut with a scone or bikkie cutter. Bigger dogs benefit from a sausage shape think saveloy or frankfurt. There is no time to ensure that these biscuits come out of the oven hard and dry. So just keep an eye on them after the first hour. They are the dream of a lousy cook - hard and dry!!! Great for teeth and gums - with no artificial additives or food dyes

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 you and finds can be hefty if you are caught not cleaning up the mess.

Reprinted from Forest Hill Veterinary clinic Newsletter

Vaccinations

Are your "Pets" shots up to date? The risk of disease is ever present. Vaccination is their only protection. If they have lapsed for whatever reason, your "Pet" may no longer be protected. Their immune system slowly loses its immunity if regular exposure doesn't happen. A vaccination is a measured exposure to help maintain immunity without getting the disease. If you are going away next school holidays with your "Pet" or boarding them out, make sure they are protected. A phone call is all it takes to your vet.

Do The Right Thing

Simpson Park and Somers Trail are only two of many designated "OFF LEASH" areas where your dog may run free.

Out of consideration for other park users, all dog owners should ensure they carry a plastic bag or some such container with which they can collect their droppings and dispose of in the bins provided, or carry home and dispose of in the way they keep their own back yard clean.

This year, Council officers WILL fine dog owners who do not carry means of collecting their dog's waste.

You clean up your own back yard, then why not treat public property with the same care?

EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB FUN DAY

The Committee Would Like To Invite You

To Our Games and Sausage Sizzle

On December 12th 2004

At Simpsons Reserve Mitcham

Between 9.00am – 11.00am

The games we are having are:

Mini Agility

Fastest Eater

Dog and Handler Race for boys and Girls

Lollie hunt

GUESS HOW MANY JELLY BEANS OR WHATEVER IN THE JAR COMPETION

PRESENTATION WILL BE HELD AT THE END

Hope you can all stay for the presentation

If inclement weather please phone Brian on 9874 1432 or Russell on 9877 2135

NOTICE OF MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the
EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC will be held at
Pigeon Club
Dunlavin Road Nunawading
On FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10th 2004 at 8.00 p m**

Clause 27 (1) of the Club's Constitution

Every member who was a financial member of the club for not less than three months of the financial year preceding the Annual General Meeting and is currently a financial member shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible to nominate as an office bearer or member of committee.

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE POSITIONS WILL BE DECLARED VACANT.

- PRESIDENT**
- VICE PRESIDENT**
- SECRETARY**
- TREASURER**
- EIGHT COMMITTEE POSITIONS**

The nomination for the above positions close 15th November 2004. Please forward nomination form, duly signed etc. to the secretary, Mrs. Andrea Sciberras on or before November 15th 2004. Items to be included in the Agenda of the General Meeting must be received by the secretary, on or before November 15th, 2004

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE NOVEMBER 15TH 2004
AGENDA ITEMS CLOSE NOVEMBER 15TH 2004**

EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC - NOMINATION FORM

We wish to nominate

For the position of

Nominated by

Dated

Seconded by

Dated

Nominee

Dated

NOTE: All three persons involved must be financial members of ESODC and the person nominating for the President, Secretary, Treasurer or Public officer must be a financial member of the VCA. Please forward complete form to the secretary Andrea Sciberras on or before November 15th 2004.

