

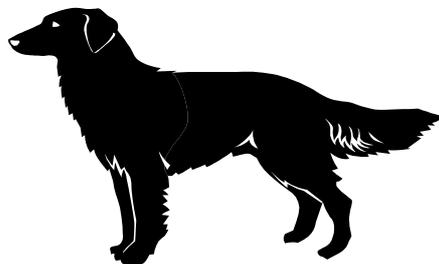


Patron: Mrs Betty Cabena

## **NEWSLETTER**

**November - December 2011**

**EASTERN SUBURBS OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB**



**WELCOME AND HAPPY TRAINING EVERYONE!**

## YOUR COMMITTEE

### Office Bearers

President	Brian Arter	9874 1432
Vice President	Janelle Burns	0406-008-178
Secretary	Andrea Sciberras	9877 1528
Treasurer	Andrea Sciberras	As above

### General Committee

Michael Harvey, Yvonne Kitch, Debbie Wiilenberg, Sue Collier, Margo Hone, Graeme Carter,

### Web Site

[www.esodc.org.au](http://www.esodc.org.au)

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## 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.

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## 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 dog's 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.**

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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hello Members

Well the end of our training year is nearly finished and as this will be my last report for the year. I wish all our members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Our Fun Day and sausage sizzle held on the 25<sup>th</sup> September turned out to be a great day the weather being good, and everyone had a great time. Thanks to Andrea and our committee who were there to organize the day.

We also had our Obedience trial on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> October it was an outstanding success, even with two or three light showers the weather was mainly fine. Thanks to all our committee and members that helped on the day, I would like to thank John for cooking the BBQ Fran for helping with the food and Jill for the raffle and being the Dogs Vic Rep a special thank you to Andrea our trial secretary.

A big thank you to our Instructors Mick, Janelle, Andrea, Debbie Sue and Melissa, who turn up on Sundays to teach you how to train your dogs.

To all new members welcome to the Club hoping your training is enjoyable, if you have any questions about your dogs please ask your Instructor there is tea coffee and biscuits supplied so please stay after class and have a cuppa.

Our break up day is on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> December with our AGM after the family day sausage sizzle and games starting at 9.00am.

Club Training will resume on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of February 2012, so please keep up your training over the holiday break.

Happy Training  
Brian Arter

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## MEMBERS

### New Members

Amy Bennett	Keely	Maltese X Highland Terrier
Sandra Black	Fudge	Labrador Retriever
Jan Carlson	Tiesto	Pug X Staffy
Robert McLeilan	Bozo	English Mastiff X
Sandy & Simon Wreford	Cassie	Ridgeback X
Sarah Nettleton	Scampi	Staffy X Lab
Gillian Bremner	Bonnie	Springer Spaniel
Susan Morrison	Sebastian	Cavalier King Charles Span
Joy Mackey	Gina	Labradoodle
Lorraine Mitchell	Millie	Maltalier
Wendy Young	Timmy	English Springer Spaniel
Nick Caudry & Mel Smith	Millie	Golden Retriever
Briar Sutherland	Kai	Shiba Inu

## **Renewals - Welcome Back**

Robyn Toferner	Lash	Whippet
Lily McMahon	Zoe	Staffy

**Renewals are now due**

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## **OBEDIENCE TRIAL DATES FOR 2011**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Date</b>
Northcote Obedience Dog Club	1 <sup>st</sup> November
Southern Obedience Dog Training Club Double Trial	19 <sup>th</sup> November
Dogs Victoria (Friends of Obedience)	Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Portland Obedience Dog Club	26 <sup>th</sup> November
Portland Obedience Dog Club	27 <sup>th</sup> November
Croydon & District Obedience Dog Club	4 <sup>th</sup> December

## **Eastern Suburbs Obedience Dog Club 2011 Calendar**

FEBRUARY	6th Training Starts
FEBRUARY	13th Committee Meeting
MARCH	27th Fun Day
JUNE	6th Committee Meeting
JUNE	25th ,26th ,27th Tracking Trial
SEPTEMBER	25th Fun Day
OCTOBER	2nd Committee Meeting
OCTOBER	16th Obedience Trial
NOVEMBER	13th Committee Meeting
DECEMBER	11th Last Day of Training & fun Day

**For updates to this calendar please consult your newsletters**

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## **TRAINING NEWS AND TIPS**

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

### **Training Tip**

Training starts the day you bring your dog home, and for the rest of their lives maybe not as intense as when you first bring your dog home, remember they are your companion's and look to you for guidance. Training is all about patience and reparation and until your dog understand what you want them to do, You need to keep reinforce good behavior in a positive way each time your dog does what you have commanded him/her to do.

Remember you are the leader of the pack; you do not have to be gruel to your dog either. You just need to be more confident in your training. So it will flow down the lead to you best friend always make sure your dog does the exercise you want before moving on to the next one, using food rewards before you start heeling again i.e.: sit, stand, drop also make your training fun for the dog and you. Don't forget to do some training over the Christmas break.

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

## **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 re-vaccinated 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.

## **To all Dog Owners**

### **WHEN INSECT BITES YOUR PET**

Dogs are naturally inquisitive and often treat insect as "play things". They don't know that insects have their own defense system and that their bites and stings often results in pain and sometimes risk to your dog's life.

European wasps are active during summer but are also prevalent in Spring and Autumn. Wasps can sting many times, but they can also lose their "stinger". The venom of the wasp causes many symptoms such as localized pain, rapid and massive swelling, and death of some body tissues, breathing difficulties and abscess formation.

Dogs tend to snap at wasp and are, therefore, most frequently stung on the head, muzzle and lips, or in the mouth, throat and even the stomach, dogs may also tread on wasps and be bitten on paw. Sometimes dogs react to the venom of wasps with raised lumps all over their bodies thus indicating a severe allergic reaction has occurred.

Wasps are attracted to moist, sweet and meaty aromas. This increases the chance of your dog being stung while eating. Puppies are particularly vulnerable to wasp bites and care should be taken to protect them if they are fed outside.

All known cases of wasp bite should be immediately treated by your Vet.

All sudden swelling should also be checked by your Vet. The most common treatment given is to reduce to swelling and to prevent any risk of an infection developing. The sooner treatment is started the more favorable the outcome.