

MUDTC Newsletter

MILTON ULLADULLA DOG TRAINING CLUB INC

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What a fantastic start to our new year with a record number of new members joining our Club on 7 February. A warm welcome to you and your dogs, and I hope you enjoy a successful time training at the Club.

At the beginning of each year we review the content of our Obedience Classes to make sure they meet the needs of our members and their dogs. We have decided in 2016 to introduce 4 extra weeks of dedicated clicker training. Quick Start Introduction will be 4 weeks and still with Instructor Janet. Quick Start Secondary will be 4 weeks with Instructor Colleen, who has been assisting our Baby Puppy and Quick Start Instructors for the past 12 months. We hope this will be of benefit to our new members as it will give them 8 classes in the principles of reward based training, before being assessed by Chief Instructor Diane to move into Beginner Class.

Beginner, Basic, Intermediate and Advanced classes have also been reviewed and some changes made to the training content. This month's Newsletter lists the Beginner and Basic Class exercises, including those you will need to focus on to be considered for promotion to the next class. Assessments will be done by our Chief Instructor Diane to progress to Beginners and for promotion from Beginners to Basic, and Basic to Intermediate.

We have also added monthly classes on Flyball and Rally O for members, as there is interest to find out more about these disciplines.

We always need more instructors. Both Colleen and Cheryl volunteered to join Baby Puppy and Quick Start classes over the past year to develop their knowledge so they can take classes. If you think this is something you could do, please talk to your Instructor. As our Club grows we need to increase our Instructor numbers. If we can increase Instructor numbers sufficiently we can introduce a roster, then Instructors don't have to take a class every week, and then have the opportunity to go into a class to work with their own dog.

Regards Rosie Milton

President MUDTC





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SHOWGROUND SPEED LIMITS 10 & 15KPH

TRAINING AT MUDTC

This is a the list of exercises in **Beginner Class** with Instructor Diane.

Charging the Clicker / watching

Walking in the zone which includes informal heeling, sits, drops,

Stands

Stay - 1 step to end lead - 20 sec progressing to 1 minute

Sit to drop in front

Come Fore

Hand touch progressing to ground/target

Clock turns / right about turn

Give toy to hand /Take toy and give

Go to mat

Restrained recall to toy

Trick

Go thru tunnel straight, progress to with bend

3 short periods of play with tug/toy

The next class is **Basic** with Instructor Mark, here is a list of exercises which will be covered in Basic.

Clicker charging with watch x 10

Walking in the zone includes sits, drops, comefores, turns

and stays to end lead

Stays to 30 seconds progress to 1 minute

Right, left turns

Pivot turns

Stand beside for exam progress to in front

Sit to drop in front

restrained recalls to 10m

Take and give

Hand touches thru legs

3 short periods of play with tug/toy

Instructors may introduce other exercises as well, but these are the main ones you will be working on. The exercises shown in green will be used for assessment.

TRAINING EQUIPMENT



The Club sells leads, collars, halters, tug toys, flags, dumbells, treat bags, food treats - all the equipment you need to help you train your dog. See us at the Clubhouse on training days.

CLUB COMMITTEE 2016

Committee Members

President - Rosie Milton
Vice-President - Rick Venning
Secretary - Belinda Smithers
Assistant Secretary - Janet Smith
Treasurer/Public Officer - Cheryl Ball
Chief Instructor - Diane Richmond
Assistant Chief Instructor - Jenny Patch
Publicity Officer - Margaret Rudd
New Members Team - Margaret Rudd &
Colleen Ringe
Equipment Officer - Mark Wilden
Catering Officer - Jenny Patch
General Committee Members

- Billie Macleod
- Natasha Backhouse
- Jan Lyall

Instructors

Diane Richmond Jenny Patch Rosie Milton Jenny Marshall

Janet Smith

Liz Karacsonvi

Natalie Moore

Mark Wilden

Rick Venning

Assistant Instructors

Rosemary Rixon Belinda Smithers Danielle Butson Colleen Ringe Cheryl Ball

Committee Meetings are usually held on the 2nd Sunday of each month after training. All Club members are welcome to attend. Alternatively you can talk to any Committee member, especially one of the 3 General Committee members, Billie, Natasha or Jan and ask them to raise suggestions for discussion on your behalf.





AGILITY NEWS

Agility classes began again in February with Beginners at 7.30 and Advanced at 9.00am. For dogs 12 months of age and over the first pre-agility course for this year will start on Sunday 3 April at 10.15. The course covers the foundations of agility and is a pre-requisite for joining Beginner Agility. You must register your interest to attend Pre-Agility at the Clubhouse.

MUDTC is running a Fun Agility Jumping event at Milton Show on Saturday 5th and an Agility Workshop with Niki Drage at the Showground on the weekend of 12 and 13 March. Jenny Marshall is the contact person for the Agility Workshop.

OBEDIENCE NEWS

Due to the popularity of Rally O at Summer School, Chief Instructor Diane will be running a Rally O course on the last Sunday of the month from 7.30am. The first was held on Sunday 28 February and was a great success. The last Sunday in March is Easter Sunday and the last Sunday in April, Dog Training is cancelled because of the Kidgeeridge Music Festival, we will try to rescheduled Rally O to another Sunday.





Members getting ready for Rally O on Sunday 28th



Best wishes to all members for a very Happy Easter. Hope you enjoy your Easter Eggs, in moderation of course!

Don't forget that chocolate is a well-known toxin for dogs. While milk chocolate is less toxic than dark, play it safe and keep ALL chocolate away from your pet and contact your Vet if



you have any reason to think your dog has eaten any Easter eggs!



Easter Egg hunt - there are 33 Easter eggs in the Newsletter - see if you can find them all \odot

DOG PARK

At the Committee meeting held on 19 February it was resolved to hold a morning tea to celebrate the completion of the public Dog Park at the Showground. It is proposed to hold this on Sunday 1 May at 10.30am after Dog Training Classes. More details will be provided in later Newsletters and at Club announcements. The following page gives a photo snapshot of the Park's progress from January 2014 - January 2016.

If you notice that the poo bag dispensers are empty when you use the Dog Park, please email us at info@mudtc.org.au and let us know, so we can organise to refill the dispenser.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Three months of Dog Club activities are detailed on the Club Calendar on our web site http://www.mudtc.org.au As far as possible it is updated as changes occur.

Please note: No training Sunday 6 March and so New Member day is 13 March. No Agility classes Easter Sunday, Obedience classes yet to be confirmed.





MEMBER'S CORNER If you have any photos, stories, or results for the Newsletter please email them to newsletter@mudtc.org.au



A warm welcome to all our recent new members. We hope you have a happy and rewarding time training your dog at the Club.

Congratulations to member. Lori Muir, recently promoted to Intermediate Class with her dogs Archie and Ruby. Congratulations to a very proud Diane Richmond and her young dog Rusty who trialled at Bermaguie on 7 February and gained his CCD Title, and was 1st place in the ring with a score of 96 out of 100.

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy is extended to member Danielle Butson, and her family, following the recent death of her Father, Doug Butson.

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Get well soon

Member Jean Patterson is home and doing well after her knee operation, best wishes Jean and we look forward to seeing you and Ice back at training.

Best Wishes for our doggie friends

To Diane's dog Lady who had a mild stroke, she is recovering and came to training on Sunday, although took it very quietly. To Warwick's dog Ajax, Warwick is waiting on results of several tests Ajax has had to get some answers about his health problems. To Cathie's dog Chief who is on an elimination diet to check for food allergies.

Liver Bread Treats



Thank you to member Alison Nagel for sharing her recipe for Liver bread dog treats her dogs absolutely love them!

Recipe:

Liver bread- 400gr liver (lamb, chicken, beef or a

mix), 2 cups plain flour wholemeal (or rice if wheat allergy-and I have swopped 1 cup flour for 1 cup oats), 2 cloves garlic. Process liver and garlic until smooth, then add flour, spread into greased,

floured pan 3/4cm thick (wet hands help), bake at 200 deg for approx 25 mins (will feel like rubber) I find cutting when warm is easier, and I use a pizza cutter to cut into strips or cubes.

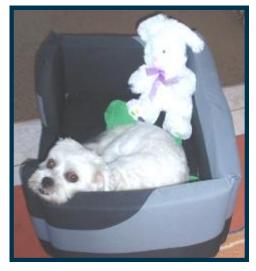
Sheba's Kittens

Member Lynne Campbell is a carer for the RSPCA and over the Christmas holidays her dog Sheba took care of some tiny kittens. When available, kittens can be purchased from the RSPCA for \$150 which includes microchipping, de-sexing, 1st vaccination and worming.



Sunday sends a Happy Easter message

"Hi everyone Happy Easter, after Margaret had gone to bed I snuck this Easter Bunny out of Baby Bill's toy basket, which had not been locked away, and have now inherited it".





FOR INFORMATION



MILTON SHOW 4 AND 5 MARCH NO DOG TRAINING 6 MARCH



Please update your dog's vaccination record with us when you renew your membership





ALL HANDLERS
MUST WEAR
FILLED IN SHOES
WHEN
TRAINING THEIR
DOG AT MUDTC

Cancellation

If Sunday training has to be cancelled because of bad weather we do our very best to let you know by posting on our Facebook page, putting a notice on our Web page, sending out an email to members, and requesting 2ST to include in their community announcements.



We do this as early as possible, and usually on the actual training day, so please check for any notice from us. If there is no notice, then training is on.

Demonstration at Milton Show

Our Demo team will be performing at the Show on Friday 4 March at approximately 1.00pm. The program includes a short clicker training demo, obedience routine to music, flag racing, jumping, agility and weavers. Come along and support our team who have been busy practising on Tuesday mornings.

Rick has been working on a new obedience routine and the team will start practicing it after the Show on Tuesday 8 March.

Wonder woman



We are all immensely proud of past President Natalie Moore, who has just completed her first long course triathlon at the Husky Triathlon Festival. An amazing, inspirational lady who completed a 2km swim, 83km bike ride and 20km run.



Club Membership

If you joined the Club prior to October 2015 your Club annual



membership of \$10 for an individual or \$11 for a family, is due and should be paid by 30 April. You must be a financial member to take part in the various training activities organised by the Club. Your membership fee is the same regardless how many dogs you train. Training fees are \$2 per dog per training class.

Advanced Payment

For the information of our new members, if you want to pay training fees in advance, please see Margaret or Colleen at the New Member Table and they will record your pre-payment. Several members choose to prepay amounts of \$10 or \$20.

From next month the Club Newsletter will only be emailed to current Club Members.

It is still available to view on our website at www.mudtc.org.au for past members, just follow the link from the front page.

