



MUDTC Newsletter

**MILTON ULLADULLA
DOG TRAINING CLUB INC**

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President's Report



We all enjoyed taking part in the Club Championship event last Sunday. There were more than 30 entries overall in the Beginners, President's Cup Trophy and Open Trophy events. Our place getters in Beginners received a prize on the day, and our Trophy winners will be presented at the end of year Christmas Party presentation day. Thank you to Chief Instructor Diane, Liz and Belinda, who were our Championship sub-committee. They did a great job organising the Championships, and putting together the exercises and information

sheet. Thank you to our judges, Janet, Colleen, Liz, Diane and Bea, and stewards, Cheryl, Jenny and Jean. As always Jenny did a wonderful job keeping us all fed, and grateful thanks to everyone who contributed the yummy slices and cakes for morning tea, and to Glenn for cooking the BBQ. Lastly, of course, to everyone who entered, I saw some really excellent work and the overall standard was very good, reflected in the scores attained - congratulations.

Members have posted good articles recently on our Facebook Group Page about our responsibilities when taking our dogs to off-leash areas. If you see a dog on lead there is usually a reason, might be that they do not have voice control of their dog and are considerate to others, it might be because the dog is fearful and has a strong flight response and so does not hear the owner and will bolt, or it could have a strong prey drive and so does not hear the owner and would chase anything it sees as prey. Everything comes back to control over your dog, be mindful of others using the same space.

Off lead areas do not mean a free for all.

Enjoy your training
Regards *Rosie Milton*
President

When walking your dog **off lead**, you come across a Dog **on lead** please call your Dog in, as the Dog **on lead** might be **on lead** for a reason, if after calling your dog back he/she ignores you then your dog should also be **on lead**. To sum up the **MOST** important command between you and your dog is
"THE RECALL"

NO TRAINING CLASSES SUNDAY 21 AUGUST - ADAA AGILITY EVENT



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LIMITS 10 & 15KPH**



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COMING UP:

Saturday 6 August—Fly ball practice 3pm

Sunday 7 August- Quick Start new member day

Sunday 7 August—pre Agility at 10.15am

8.00am Tuesdays - Demo Team practice

5.30pm Tuesdays - Instructor and Advanced Member Class

Sunday 14 August— Rally O practice 7.30am & Club Committee Meeting after classes

Sunday 21 August— ADAA Agility Competition at the Show-ground **NO TRAINING CLASSES**



Sunday 28 August— we share grounds with Ulladulla Riders

Sunday Obedience Classes commence at 9.00am



Announcements are at 8.50am

If you want to purchase equipment please arrive at least 20 minutes before classes commence



If a dog was the teacher you would learn stuff like. Be loyal. Never pretend to be something you're not. If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it. When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.

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

Colleen Ringe

Belinda Smithers

Liz Karacsonyi

Natalie Moore

Mark Wilden

Rick Venning

Assistant Instructors

Rosemary Rixon

Danielle Butson

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. There is also a suggestion box at the Clubhouse.



Club Championship Results

Congratulations to our place getters and to everyone who took part in the Club Championship on Sunday 24 July. Here is the list of 1st, 2nd and 3rd placegetters. Photos taken on the day follow on the next page, courtesy Marg Rudd and Janet Smith.

Beginners:

1st: Lisa Silver and Tigger

2nd :Jody O’Leary and Sooty

Tied for 3rd: Cloe Downie and Shadow and Janis Price and Gypsy

Special Handlers Award Beginners—Cloe Downie

Presidents Cup

1st Rosie Milton and Mikki

2nd Kerry McCutcheon and Millie

3rd Jasmine Hair and Charlie

Lynn Brooks

1st Diane Richmond and Rusty

2nd Julie Court and Ben

3rd Natasha Backhouse and Busta

Marion Mann

1st Belinda Smithers and Kelly

2nd Lynette Johnston and Pip

ADAA Agility Trial



Our Club will host its 4th ADAA Agility Trial on the weekend of 20 and 21 August. Several Club members have entered, and there will be visitors from outside the Shoalhaven entering their dogs. Events will take place on both days of the weekend and all members are welcome to come along and view

the dogs in action. The Trial is held at the northern end of the main arena area at the Showground. Thank you to Jenny Marshall who is organising this event and to Diane for again obtaining sponsorship for prizes. Further details are available on the ADDA web site click [here](#)

Don’t forget we are seeking prizes for our guessing competition, held over the ADDA weekend. If you have any new unwanted item suitable as a prize, which you would like to donate, it will be gratefully received. Also if any member runs their own business, and would like to donate a prize item, or voucher please let us know.

NO TRAINING CLASSES WEEKEND

20 & 21 AUGUST

First Aid Officer



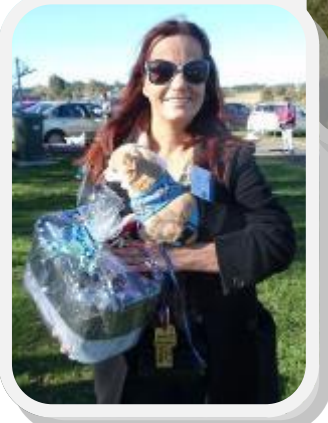
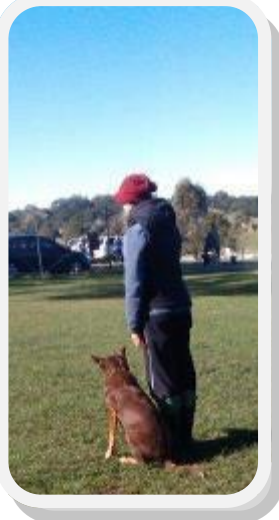
Do we have any members who have first aid training and would be willing to put their name on a list at the Clubhouse? You would not be required to be at training every Sunday. Our first aid box was checked recently, and out of date items removed. We need to purchase replacements and so if you have expertise in this area, and could arrange the purchases for us, we would be very grateful. Please see Treasurer, Cheryl at the Clubhouse if you can assist.

Thank You

- * To Janis and John Price for their generous donation towards the costs of our BBQ lunch at the Club Championships which is very much appreciated.
- * To Kylie White for donating an agility tyre for the Club to use. Kylie thought of us when this became available, and arranged delivery. Thank you very much.
- * To Milton Ulladulla District Red Cross for the donation of various new dog items for us to use as prizes. The items were donated to Red Cross, and past Dog Club member Margaret Peppitt contacted us to offer them as a donation. Thank you.

(Note: Margaret Peppitt has a set of dog steps for sale, if anyone is interested please contact her direct on 44542787 or 0429042787)

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP DAY 24 JULY 2016



Lisa and Tigger 1st Beginners

Placegetters Beginners - L to R Janis and Gypsy; Cloe and Shadow; Jody and Sooty; Lisa and Tigger

INSTRUCTOR PROFILES

Thank you to all our Club Instructors who volunteer their time to take training Classes each Sunday.

This month I profile myself - Quick Start Instructor (weeks 1-4) - Janet Smith.



1. What is your involvement with the Club?

I am Assistant Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Demo Team Announcer and Instructor for weeks 1–4 of the Club's Quick Start Course. I've previously been Secretary and have instructed in many different Classes since joining MUDTC.

2. How long have you been a member of the Club?

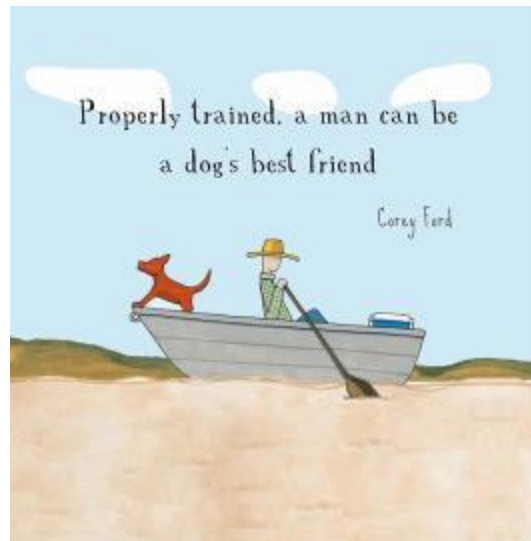
I joined MUDTC in 1991 when we moved to Milton from Sydney. I had previously been a member of Manly & District Dog Training Club in Sydney. I started training as an Instructor with MUDTC in 1992 and gained an Royal NSW Canine Council (Dogs NSW) Obedience Instructors Certificate in 1996.

3. What are your top training tips?

Praise, focus, consistency and practice, always reward your dog when they offer a behaviour you want.

4. What dogs do you own?

I don't own a dog now. I owned Maltese, the first one was called Whisky and I used to Show him in Sydney. My second dog was Mistee, and we trained at MUDTC to Advanced level. I have been carer for the RSPCA and looked after many different breeds of dogs, from Chihuahuas to German Shepherd Dogs, which was a great experience.



'It's okay, my dog is friendly...'

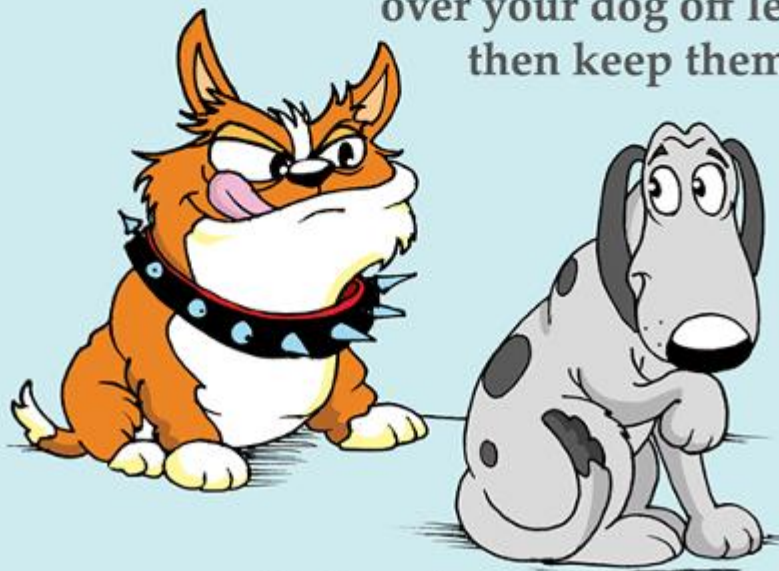
No it's NOT okay! Just because your dog is friendly doesn't mean all dogs are - please remember:

Never let your dog run up to a dog on leash- they could be scared or become reactive.

Try to respect other owners and their need for space.

Not all dogs want the added attention or intrusion.

If you have no voice control over your dog off leash then keep them on.



Jumping Up

Remember that it is natural for the dog to want to lick our faces as proper greeting behaviour & as a way of showing respect. So getting mad at the dog for jumping up will only make it worse as he will work harder to show his submission to you!

A large part of the reward for the dog when jumping up is the attention he receives from the person. Just about ANY reaction (shoving, yelling, pushing, etc.) is attention and therefore reinforcing. It is best to ignore the behaviour as much as possible - make it STOP WORKING as an attention getter!

Also, realize that the excitement of the greeting is what sets off many dogs. So, do your best to keep your greeting behaviour as low key & quiet as possible! Consider ignoring your dog when you first enter the house (unless he's in urgent need of a potty break, of course). Greet any other human family members first, and ignore the frantic, jumping dog until he settles down. Even then, keep your greeting calm.

It may get worse before it gets better. For many dogs, jumping up on you currently works, in that it gets them attention. Please understand that yelling at them, kneeling them, etc., counts as attention and is actually reinforcing to the dog. If you stand firm, and don't give in, your dog will eventually stop trying. You can help him along by rewarding him with treats when he chooses NOT to jump. For many dogs, it's easier to hold still for a treat; if you try to reward the non-jumping with petting they get all excited and jump again! Eventually, of course, you'll be able to dispense with the treats, but they are very helpful in the training stage.

You will likely find that you can make a lot of progress teaching your dog not to jump on members of your family, but that greeting visitors is much more of a challenge. The advice below should be helpful for that:

1. First, until your dog is reliably sitting or standing when greeting people, tell everyone to just turn aside when he jumps up, and then to walk away. They must be sure to give the dog NO ATTENTION for that behaviour any more.
2. Have as many people as you can help out by coming in the door to greet him (with treats if you like).
3. You could kneel on the floor next to him at first, helping him to hold his sit (or stand).

4. The people (coming in only one at a time) should quietly greet him, and gently pet/give treats as long as he remains sitting. If he jumps up, then they should turn away, ignoring him until you let them know that he has all four paws back on the ground & has settled. If appropriate, having the people crouch to quietly greet him will help a lot!

5. The more people you can get to help, and the more times you can practice it, the better. You want your dog to learn that jumping up no longer works to get attention. Rather, keeping his paws on the ground now does work!

6. The key to all this is really consistency. If sometimes the dog jumps up & is allowed then he will learn that is okay to do so and will only be confused. Remember, ANY response other than ignoring him is attention, which is reinforcing even if negative. The hard part is usually getting all family members to play along.

7. When you have company over with whom you really can't work on this, then do not let them in until you have the dog under control. Either on leash (and you have some treats to reinforce him for not jumping) or simply outside or in his crate with a pig ear or juicy bone. As with everything else, if you allow the behaviour to happen (for whatever reason), then you are actually teaching him that it's acceptable. So, if you can't train, then do what you have to do to avoid the situation.

Good luck!

Mary Woodward & Susan Greenholt

<http://clickerlessons.com/jumpingup.htm>

This article is reproduced in this month's Newsletter as many Club members ask for advice on how to stop their dog from jumping up.

For more help please also talk with your Instructor.





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.



Week two of July Quick Start—just starting out training their dogs are L to R Carolyn and Merlin, Brian and Arjee, Di and Snoopy, Martin and Bella, Maxi, Rex and Gus . Best wishes to Merlin who has recently undergone surgery.

Our New Meet and Greeter

Ready to meet and greet at the Clubhouse is Natasha's dog Chief, who managed that leap in one go. Cheryl and Rosemary are very happy to have such a handsome helper on hand at the counter!

Congratulations

At the recent Milton-Ulladulla Orchid Society Show, Instructor Liz Karacsonyi was awarded two champion orchids and said she had a great fun talking to other orchid fanatics.

Keep well wishes to Warwick's dog Ajax. Ajax had a bit of a relapse recently, but happy to report he is much more like his old self again. Grateful thanks to Warwick for helping out with all the Dog Club jobs that need doing ☺

Happy Birthday

Member Joanne Greco's girl Nala was 2 years old this month.



Photos courtesy Liz Karacsonyi

Happy Training

