



MILTON ULLADULLA DOG TRAINING CLUB

**STOP PRESS:
Christmas Party
3 December**

Hello members

Hard to believe we are almost at the end of another year. Our last training day for 2006 will be Sunday 3 December and we will hold our Christmas Party after training, starting at 10am. The cost for the Party is \$2 each or \$5 for a family and Diane is collecting monies. Please let her know by 26 November if you will be coming to the party so we have an idea of numbers for catering. There is no charge for training class on 3 December.

Tickets are now available for our raffle, which will be drawn at the Christmas Party. Tickets are \$1 each and you can get books of 10 tickets to sell from Diane. We have some great prizes, including \$50 vouchers from IGA Milton and Ulladulla Butchers, a voucher for a soothing massage for you, and a voucher from Critters Dog Wash for a doggie shampoo.

Demonstrations

Several of our members have attended Meals on Wheels lunchtime functions recently with their dogs and provided a short demonstration as entertainment. Thank you to everyone involved for giving up his or her time to take part. It is obvious that these demos are well received, as our involvement has been an ongoing request from the organisers. Well done to members and their dogs.

Member Rick recently approached the Committee with some very good ideas on how to improve our demonstrations. Following discussions with the committee and members who are involved in performing in the Club's demonstrations, Roy is going to work on some new routines and practices will be held each month.

Mowing at the Showground

Jim McConnell Steel has done a great job with our ride-on mower which is now working perfectly. If you are able to help with mowing please see Roy to add your name to the roster. There are always two people working together and at the moment involves a commitment of about two mowing sessions every 3rd month. Roy can give you more details.

Donation of Computer

Thank you very much indeed to Instructor Jo Dunmall who has generously donated a computer to the Club for use at the Clubhouse. This will especially assist with registration of new members and is very much appreciated.

"There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face."
- Ben Williams

DVD Order

Because the Dog Listener DVDs have increased in price to £22 Stirling it has been decided not to place an order. If anyone would still like their own copy here is the link to the web site where you can order direct <http://www.janfennellthedoglistener.com/>

AGM

In February 2007 the Club's AGM will be held. When we return to training next year nomination forms will be available and a box will be provided on the counter for you to place completed nomination forms for the Club's executive. Current position holders are:

President: Roy Cullen	Treasurer/ Public Officer: Chief Instructor Diane Richmond
Secretary: Janet Smith New Members: Liz Karacsonyi	Vice President: Peter Hudson
Publicity: Margaret Rudd	Equipment Officer Vacant

Although I am happy to continue producing the Newsletter, working on the Club's Web Site, and being an Instructor, I will not be standing for re-election as Secretary next year. Over the break I will put together a manual of the Secretarial tasks so the new Secretary has guidelines to work with. I really enjoy my involvement with the Club and will continue to be there each Sunday morning and help out whenever I can.

The Find it Game – Part 1 – more to follow in future Newsletters

A good exercise to get your dog used to using his nose is the "find it" game. Take a cookie and show it to your dog. Let your dog watch you as you go around looking for a place to hide it. Pretend to tuck the cookie away several places before you surreptitiously leave it in one of the places (between the couch cushions, under a pillow, or behind some furniture). Then, let the dog begin looking for it, with the words, "Find it!" When he finds it, make a big fuss over him as he eats the cookie.

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**WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HEALTHY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR**

