

MILTON ULLADULLA DOG TRAINING CLUB INC

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New Committee

Hello again, and thank you to everyone who attended the Club's Annual General Meeting. Congratulations go to our committee for 2010 especially those newly elected members John, Cheryl and Janis. A special welcome back to the Committee to past President Roy Cullen.

President	John Rixon
Vice-President	Rosie Milton
Secretary	Roy Cullen
Assistant Secretary	Janet Smith
Treasurer/Public Officer	Cheryl Ball
Chief Instructor	Diane Richmond
Assistant Chief Instructor	Jenny Patch
Equipment Officer	Janis Price
New Members Register Officers	Sarah Ball and Margaret Rudd
Publicity Officer -	Margaret Rudd
Web Site Administrator	Caraline McLeod



L to R Roy Cullen John Rixon Janet Smith and Peter Hudson at the AGM

Retiring President Peter thanked all members of the past executive for their hard work, in particular Jenny Puglisi and Henry Muisidlak who did not stand for re-election. Chief

Instructor Diane thanked all Instructors for giving their time and dedication to help members train their dogs to be good canine citizens.

Peter retired as both President and Instructor at the AGM and acknowledgement of his involvement with Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club over the past 12 years was made by incoming Secretary, Roy Cullen. During his association with the Club Peter has held the positions of both Vice President and President and was instrumental in promoting the profile of agility at our club. On behalf of all Club members Roy expressed regards and warm wishes to Peter and presented him with a gift in appreciation. Peter will be missed by us all.

Milton Show

As the heading in this week's Times Newspaper article states 'Dog Club wows at Milton Show' and we certainly did. On Friday a large crowd was entertained with a very professional demonstration of obedience work, agility, weaving, heelwork to music and flyball. Spectators saw all aspects of dog training and were shown the importance of training a dog in obedience to sit, drop, stand and stay. This led into showing dogs' skills on the agility equipment. The demo then moved on to the weaving poles with the speed of each dog gradually increasing, much to the delight of the spectators. Our new formation team (heelwork to music) gave their second ever performance of their routine "That's

Entertainment" and are to be congratulated. To finish came the fast moving flyball races, which are always very popular with spectators.

It was a magnificent showcase of the Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club, thank you very much to everyone involved and a thank you to all those members who came along to watch and support the demo teams. Don't forget, if you are interested to find out more about joining one of the teams please see Diane, Jenny, Rosie or your Instructor.

On Saturday the Club ran an excellent Agility and Jumping Competition, generously sponsored by **Hills Science Diet**, a premier specialist Dog Food manufacturer. Our thanks also go to the Milton Show Society for the donation of place ribbons and to Diane for the donation of Certificates for a clear round. Peter and Rosie judged the competition, which was a fun event run to Australian competition standards and scored accordingly, but not sanctioned by the Australian Dog Council. There were 74 entrants and grateful thanks are extended to Diane for all the work she puts in to getting competitors for this event and the details she attends to prior to the day. Special thanks also to judges Rosie and Peter, stewards and sound man Ken, who all made sure the program ran so efficiently on the day.



Congratulations to winning Club members L to R Tracy, Liz, Rosie, George, Natalie, Kim, Rick and Jenny – for full results of the Agility & Jumping Comp please see the Club Website

What is a Schipperke?



This small dog breed was the winner at this year's Championship Dog Show, held as part of Milton Show. For more information about the breed visit <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Schipperke> Our Chief Instructor Diane has been Secretary of the Dog Show for 20 years. Although the Dog Show is not part of our Club's responsibilities, Diane always acknowledges the assistance she receives from Dog Club members. Well done to everyone involved, it was another very successful Milton Dog Show.

MEMBERS CORNER

New Members

A very warm welcome to our new members please forward your email address to newsletter@mudtc.org.au if you would like to receive your newsletter notification electronically. Also current members, please email if you wish to be included on the electronic listing. Don't forget to visit our website at www.mudtc.org.au it is full of great information about our Club.

Training Days during April/May

During April and May there will be some disruption to training Classes due to various events taking place. Details are –

Easter Sunday 4 April training as usual – don't forget to change your clock 1 hour back overnight as daylight saving ends on the Easter weekend.



Sunday 11 April – Dog Training as usual however there is a horse dressage event at the Milton Showground.

Sunday 25 April – Anzac Day – Dog Training **cancelled**

Sunday 2 May – Flyball competition at Lions Park Burrill Lake – training as usual (except for Advanced Class). More details regarding the Flyball competition below.

Muddy's Madness Flyball Competition

Our Club's Flyball team – Mudd on the Paws will hold its first competition on Sunday 2 May at Lions Park, Burrill Lake. Congratulations to our team for organising this event and we all wish them great success on the day. Instructors Diane, Jenny and Rosie will not be at Dog Training as they are involved in the Flyball Team. Dog Training will still be held at Milton Showground, apart from the Advanced Class, and Diane will discuss arrangements with her class separately.

As with any such event helpers are always needed. The flyball competition runs from 8.30am – 4.30pm on Sunday May 2. There will also be some set up required on the afternoon of Saturday 1 May. If you can spare a couple of hours, or longer, on either day, but especially the Sunday, please send an email to info@mudtc.org.au giving your name, phone number and whether you can help out during the morning or afternoon. Alternatively please see Diane, Rosie, Jenny or a committee member at the Clubhouse to give your details. A roster will then be organised.

Please support this exciting event for our Club, you will see some very fast dogs "flying" over the jumps. Two lanes will be set up so two teams compete against each other it is great enjoyment for spectators, handlers and dogs. Come along and cheer on the team *Mudd on the Paws* from the Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club.

Congratulations

Go to these members for their fantastic results in recent competitions – our small Club is having great success.

Canberra Royal – Mudd on the Paws team came 3rd in First Division – well done.

Kim with Brock and Whisper– 1st in Novice Strategic Pairs and with Bella – 1st in Masters Agility; 2nd in

Masters Jumping; 4th in Open Agility; 4th in Excellent Strategic Pairs; 1st in Excellent Gamblers and 1st in Open Jumping – Wow – really well done !

Ruth and Shandi 3rd in Novice Agility; 2nd in Novice Gamblers and a qualifying score; 3rd in Pairs with new member Emma and Blitz. An outstanding result for Ruth and Shandi at their first trial.

Castle Hill Show 14 March Flyball Team Mudd on the Paws did a personal best time of 18.79secs and came in 3rd – well done to Pac, Wizz, Jackie, Sophie, Lucy and Possum.

South Coast Dog Training Club Agility Competition – Rosie and Wizz 1st place and qualifying score in Starters Jumping. Diane and Lady – 1st place and a qualifying score in elementary jumping and 1st place and qualifying score in combined elementary agility – a fantastic day.

Goulburn Dog Show – member Natalie won Junior in Breed with her young dog TJ – a credit to Natalie's work in breeding her Staffordshire Bull Terriers.

Milton Show Results

Club members entered very different competitions at the Milton Show – Kim entered Brock in the Dog High Jump and he jumped the huge height of 8' 3" (I will leave it to you to work out the metric equivalent!)

Roy was announced as the Champion Home Brewer, I believe a few members can attest to his magnificent beer making skills.

Sarah won 1st place with her exquisite pencil drawing of a tree, 2nd place with a great photo of her dog Sam and also received an encouragement award for a charcoal drawing of a face. We certainly have very talented members at our club.

Our Doggie Pals



Tess & Jack in a quiet mood Tessa's 6th Birthday toy



Teddy's 10th birthday

Thank you to members Jean, Margaret and Diane for the lovely photos and news of their doggie pals.

Reminders

- A timely reminder from President John to be aware that snakes are around as well as ticks. Flynn, fortunately on lead, had a close encounter with a Red Bellied Black snake near the beach.
- Please don't bring your dog up to the Clubhouse counter when you pay your fees as it can get very congested, especially on new beginner days.
- \$6 annual membership fee now due.

A very happy Easter to all members and their families