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MUDTC Newsletter

This Newsletter is produced to provide information about Club events and member happenings for the benefit of all members. If you have any interesting stories or photos please email them to me or provide hard copy to me at Sunday training Editor Janet

Have you paid your \$6 annual membership fee? It is now overdue. Please pay Cheryl as soon as possible.

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Sunday 19 June we share the Showground with a Horse Event



Winter is sending a blast of cold air our way, but it hasn't stopped the myriad of activities that our club and its members have been participating in. Well done to all!

The Mudd on the Paws Division One and Division Three teams have continued their success with both winning the Flyball Competition held at Canberra on the Million Paws Walk weekend. With two local competitions coming up later in the year (stay tuned for details in later newsletters), they are starting to put the Club on the map, with members of the team also achieving great personal results at other competitions. The trophies are on display at the Clubhouse—we have an extra trophy shelf erected by Secretary Roy and it looks great. Many thanks Roy.

Also in Canberra Rosie and I attended the Canberra Sled Club's training day through the Kowen forest. In subzero temperatures, my staffy Chelsea and Rosie's border collies may have looked a little out of place with the teams of huskies and malamutes (snow dogs very suited to Canberra), but we had just as much fun racing through the bush with the dogs. For those that don't know, sledding without snow is often done with a kickbike—an oversized scooter—and is heaps of fun. Rosie and I are looking for options in the local area and hope to hold a local day in the future.

Our members continue to find success in the agility ring too, with several members gaining titles this month. Well done! With this in mind Natasha is organizing a club T Shirt for competing members to purchase for when they represent the club—see Natasha for details.

Many thanks for those members who attended the

the Demonstration held for the Meals on Wheels Service in Milton on June 1st. It proved most successful and the audience loved it, enjoying too the "meet and greet" from the dogs at the conclusion. Thank you to Chief Instructor Diane for organising the event and to members Rosie and her dogs Toshie, Pac, Savvy and Wizz, Jenny and Billy, Cheryl and Jana, Cheryl and Oscar, Tracey and Koda, Nina and Tinkerbell and Margaret and Sunday. Anyone who would like to join the next two demonstrations

(15 August at Burrill Lake and November 24 at Lake Conjola) Please contact Diane on 44540171.

Nicole Robinson—local RSPCA representative—attended dog training recently to thank members for their assistance with running this year's Million Paws Walk.



Please remember to wear your name badge to training class

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The Rally-O and demonstration organised by the Dog Club were enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Budget Produce, Ulladulla, the Club's major sponsor for their donation of dog biscuits to give to participants of the Rally-O. It was much appreciated. Many thanks also to our wonderful dog club members who donated their time and efforts in helping to make the day a success.

At our last Committee meeting a discussion was held as to how best to serve those members who enjoy the social side of coming to dog club more than the training. No conclusions have yet been reached, however the committee is happy to take suggestions on catering to our full range of members. Other suggestions are always welcome-talk to a committee member, or drop us an email.

The Club accepted Instructor Robyn Perry's resignation until the end of the year with regret. Robyn still hopes to be able to train her dog Sasha when time permits and is willing to help out if needed. She has given a lot of her time and expertise to the club and it has been appreciated. Sadly too we have lost a few committee members and thank them for their valuable input also.

Coming events to watch out for is the next round of the Margaret Rudd Agility Trophy (in Memory of Tessa) on July 16, with another round on 11 September and the final one on 13th November. Trophy winner is best out of three of four events. You are all no doubt training hard too for the Club Championships on July 31, the Marion Mann trophy for smaller dogs, Lynne Brooks Trophy for larger dogs and the President's Trophy for less experience dogs. Entry forms to be available at the Clubhouse in the near future and details on the website. Our thoughts with member Ruth Halls owing to the sad loss of her beloved dog Diesel. Regards President Natalie.

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CALLING FOR DEMONSTRATION MEMBERS

Rick Venning who organises Club Demos for public places such as Retirement Villages, Milton A& H Show is looking for members who dogs are at a reasonable level of Obedience and Agility and must be stable and able to working a large group of dogs. Even if members want to try out or start preparing their dogs, they are welcome to attend Tuesday mornings from around 7.30am until 9.00am or so for training. The handler must be available for training and for demonstrations a reasonable number of times as these can be held during the week. It would be preferable if people interested contact Rick on a Sunday at the club prior to attending to have a chat about it.

CURRENT AGILITY TIMES ON SUNDAYS BEFORE DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

7.30AM-8.15AM Advanced full runs.

8.15AM – 8.45AM Beginners Sessions.

8.45AM-9.00am pack away agility equipment. Volunteers Welcome.