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SUCCESSFUL ADAA COMPETITION

Milton-Ulladulla Dog Training Club hosted their first ADAA Competition on Saturday August 31 and Sunday September 1 at the Touch Football Sports Ground at Frog's Hollow in perfect conditions. Visiting clubs competed from Sydney, Wollongong, Dapto, Canberra, Nowra and there even was a Queensland competitor.

Our own club was well represented with some great results. A full list of local winners will be available at a later date. Judges were Lloyd Barker, Mal Williams and Cathie Reade.

Appreciation to everyone who helped on the day, in particular to Catering Officer Jenny Patch who outdid herself with her wonderful cooking, not forgetting those people who also donated tasty items for morning and afternoon tea.

The Club was indeed grateful to Jenny Marshall who organised the programme for the two days and distributed prize winning cards. Jenny's brother Bruce and his mate John kindly offered their services manning the club's barbeque for lunch and even turning up Sunday morning to serve bacon and eggs, which had been donated by Jenny Marshall.

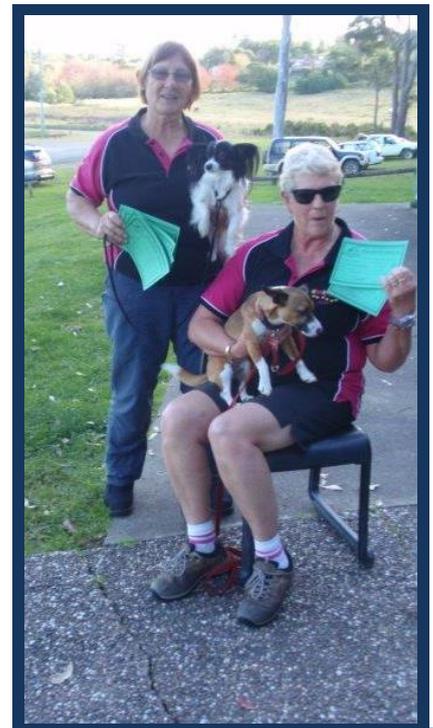
The Club is indebted to all who gave their time and helped in many ways. Organisers of the trophies

being Club Chief Instructor Diane, and President Rosie Milton.

Assistant Secretary Janet Smith designed and donated bookmarks to all competitors as a memento of the club's first time event.

Sponsor for the day were Pet Stock and, and our Club Sponsors, Mark and Cathy Sommerville and an amazing amount of raffle prizes (over fifty) many from club members donations, and Cheryl Brunskill's Comfee Creatures handmade dog dooners and tuggers. Jodie from The Pet Stylist, Ulladulla a grooming voucher.

*Pictured at the ADAA Presentation
President Rosie and Assistant Chief Instructor
Jenny with Miki and Pippa and their prize-winning
cards.*



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FOR INFORMATION

UPCOMING
EVENTS AT THE
SHOWGROUND

THIS SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 8

PENNY
CULLEN &
TESSA RUDD
AGILITY
COMPETITION

NEW
MEMBERS DAY

ULLADULLA
HORSE RIDERS
EVENT

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Club's Annual Competitions were held on Sunday August 11 with Trophy Winners being as follows.

The President's Cup for Novice Dogs went to Lori Muir and her Blue Cattle Dog /Wolfhound Charlie.

2nd place went to Belinda Smithers and her Jack Russell Kelly.

3rd place Kerry Williams ad her German Short Haired Pointer dog Lacey.



President's Cup 1st Place Lori and Charlie

Owner Lori was invited to tell members of Charlie's history, which I am sure all will love reading.

The Lynne Brookes Trophy Open Event for large dogs went to Diane Richmond and her Australian Kelpie Lady.

2nd place Bev Bell and her German Shepherd Riley.

3rd place went to Rosie Milton and her Border Collie Pac.



Lynne Brookes Open Event 1st Place Diane and Lady

Unfortunately in the small dog competition there were not any dogs who gained enough points to take out the Marion Mann Trophy. Rosemary Rixon and her Cairn Terrier Flynn was in 1st place and Rosie Milton and her Papillon Miki was 2nd. Judges being Diane Richmond, Natalie Moore, Peter Hudson, Judy Rogers ,Rosie Milton and Jenny Patch and Hilary Coulton who set up the Rally-O Competition.

Many thanks to all who helped on the day, acting as stewards, Kylie White was a great help assisting with organising the competition, manning the barbeque, and assisted by Cheryl Ball.

To Mark Wilden - a big thank you for mowing the dog club area.



NEW MEMBERS DAYSUNDAY OCT 13THNo DOG TRAINING OCTOBER 6TH

KEEP ALL YOUR DOG TRAINING GEAR IN YOUR CLUB BAG AND BRING IT WITH YOU EACH SUNDAY DON'T FORGET SOFT TREATS FOR YOUR DOG AND YOUR NAME BADGE



Charlie The Wonder Dog

Novice Champion! Quite a way for a death row dog to have travelled Charlie was this cute, shaggy, puppy face on the Dog Rescue internet site I fell in love immediately! Seven months before I had had to put down my best friend, Jessie, a German Shepherd x Kelpie and her off-sider Monty, a Blue Cattle x Border Collie. Jessie had arrived at the good age of 13 but was full of arthritis (Morphine being administered daily for two years) and Monty, also a rescue dog, came with aggression problems towards other dogs

Seven months without a best mate is too long and lonely walks, terrible! Then I saw Charlie and couldn't think of anything else. When he arrived, out of his foster carer's car, he was lame in his right front leg. I took him to the vet and we both agreed that it could be growing pains, being part Wolfhound and part Blue Cattle Dog, he being only 4 months. However, the lameness persisted and at 6 months Charlie underwent two operations for bone growth problems, in that front leg. Thankfully, my Mum, also an animal lover, paid the bill.

New problems included both back legs that didn't seem to work very well. By September of last year the vet and I knew that Charlie was going to have more leg problems. Two weeks ago my brilliant side-kick won Novice Dog at the Milton-Ulladulla Dog Club. I had a feeling he'd do well because he seems incredibly smart and so willing to please but I certainly didn't expect to win! What a dog! Last week Charlie had x-rays only to discover bilateral hip dysplasia. Shocked, I didn't know what to do and Euthanasia was at the forefront of my mind.

I didn't want Charlie to be in pain and I didn't want to put him through the angst of another operation, not to mention the costs involved!

Yesterday, I took him to the beach. He ran and barked and chased flies and paddled in the water. Charlie is not a swimmer! He was a happy fellow. It was then I decided that Charlie was going to continue his happy life even if it was to be a short one I am not going to curtail his walks or put him on special, thinning diets or keep him quiet. All sensible suggestions made by a caring vet but not what Charlie would be happy with. I'll try to understand his pain if he thinks he has walked too far and I will be aware of his weight and feed him well but he loves his "lollies" and his walks and his beach. He loves to travel with me in the car and he is a BIG part of my life. I can't imagine life without him, even though we've only been together for 18 months. He hasn't even had his second birthday yet!!! A short sweet life, full of all the things dogs could wish for. It won't be a long life but it will be a good life, a happy life full of adventures and wonderful smells, running free on a beach splashing in the waves, playing with four legged friends, eating the odd strange thing rolling (not very often thank heavens) in smelly muck, sleeping on mum's bed, annoying the cat, going to puppy play school, being attentive at Dog Club tucking to yummy food, turning 2 and spending time with loving human company.

What a Life!

Written by love-sick Mum - Lori Muir.

MEMBERS CORNER

A very warm welcome to recent new members;

• **News**

It is with sincere regret we record the sad loss of Chief Instructor Diane's beloved Teddy on August 29th, aged 13. Pedigree Australian Kelpie (Teddy Pavesi Top Notch), Diane called him her cuddly bear, her mummy's boy, he was one of the first dogs in the club to do flyball and was very good at all the dog sports, loved his tracking, loved his sister Lady and is sadly missed by Di, Ron and Lady.



Teddy

• **Fees and Equipment**

The New Members Table is situated next to the Agility Ring and dog owners can pay their \$2 class fee there to save going up to the Clubhouse. New Members Forms are also taken at this table.

You can also pay for your fees in advance if you would like to be pre-paid to save queuing up on busy days.

See Equipment Officer Mark Wilden for any dog equipment you may need, which is available for sale at the Clubhouse.

• **Working Bee Date Change**

Members are advised that the date of the Working Bee that was planned for September 14 has been cancelled until a new date is decided upon.



• **Tick Warning**

Dog owners are advised to check their dogs regularly for ticks as with the humid weather conditions it is expected to be a bad tick season.

How Do I Get on This Show?



Photo of Judi Power's Westie Maxi watching Australia's Got Talent

MEET A MEMBER We are on the lookout for members to submit an article about their dogs or dog for our monthly newsletter. If you would like to contribute just send in details of your dog's favourite things, habits and dislikes, etc. and don't forget a photo! Email to newsletter@mudtc.org.au

Please don't take your dog with you when you pay at the Clubhouse counter as it can get very congested.

If you have the correct change, or want to pre-pay for lessons, you can pay Margaret or Tracey at the New Beginners Table.



RESULTS PAGES – MILTON ULLADULLA DOG TRAINING CLUB

Club Graduations:

This month's Quick Start Class was one of the largest ever, and as the picture shows has a great variety of dogs. Instructor Natalie had the large group of dogs socializing and having a fun time, whilst their handlers learnt the basics of how to train their dogs using a Clicker. All dogs were assessed before being promoted to Beginners Class and receiving a Club Certificate that they had successfully completed their course.

Congratulations to the August 2013 Quick Start Class



Donna Garten and her Miniature Schnauzer Max achieved two passes at Rally-O Excellent Class held at Deer Bush and also their Title - it being their 5th in 12 months.

At the Shoalhaven Dog Training Club Obedience Trial held on August 3 Danielle Butson and Tia Maria gained a qualifying score in Community Companion Dog for her CCD Title, they were the only ones that passed in that ring. Diane Richmond's Lady was passing up to the recalls, but would not stay but on the Sunday she did well gaining a qualifying score in Rally O Novice which gave her the title of RN. Danielle and Tia Maria also gained a qualifying score in Rally O Novice which gave her the Title of RN. Danielle's young dog Kahlua did well for her first competition. Hilary Coulton and her dog Chelsea gained a qualifying score in Rally O Advanced which gave the title of RA. Bev Bell and her dog Riley also gained a qualifying score in Rally O Advanced which gave her the title of RA. Helen Voyce and her dog Scampey also gained a qualifying score in Rally O.

Jenny Patch's Pippa, as a member of the 4Paws Flyball, team gained 13 points in a recent competition, congratulations Jenny and Pippa.