

BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

K 9 NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER 2016

PROUDLY CELEBRATING OVER 30 YEARS OF PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP

President's Report

Hi all,
Firstly, I would like to send out a huge thank you to Sharon (former club President) who put her heart and soul into the role. It was an exciting year delivering many positives for the club.

To those who attended the "Back to the 80's" Night, I'm sure you would agree that it was truly an entertaining evening. The Cranbourne Lions Concert Band hold a charity event annually and the club was fortunate enough to be the recipient of the profits from the night. We had a great evening singing and reminiscing the 80's. I would like to thank Laura, the band and the committee for their hard work in making the event such a success. As a result of the night, the club was given a donation of over \$2000 to be used towards shade for the grounds. With this money, and monies previously raised for the provision of shade, the club has purchased 4 gazebos that will be erected in the warmer months to provide much needed shade on the training grounds.

Thank you Katherine for organising them. As we all know it can get very warm out on the grounds whilst training our beloved dogs. I am looking forward to putting them to good use - roll on Summer!

As you are all well aware, we have had such a wet Winter and Spring. The eastern side of the grounds are still very wet. The great news is that the new drainage for this area will commence early in the New Year. So we can look forward to next winter with a little more enthusiasm and not the fear of facing the dreaded soggy grounds.

In October, the club hosted an Agility Trial. We had just under 700 entries and the grounds were filled with enthusiastic handlers and their energetic dogs. Unfortunately, as the morning progressed the winds became stronger. As a result the afternoon session needed to be cancelled as it was becoming too unsafe for both the handlers and their dogs. Congratulations to Stephen for arranging such a fantastic trial.

Make sure that you mark on your calendar Saturday December 10th, because this is the date for our Christmas breakup this year. The day will commence at 12.30pm. For people interested in Flyball there will be a demonstration during the day. If you are thinking of training your dog in different disciplines you will have the opportunity to "Come and Try" Agility and RallyO on the day. We will be having our usual games, fancy dress competition, barbeque and our special guest for the kids - Santa. Please make sure that you put your names on the lists when it comes out to help us with catering.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.
Glenda E.

B.O.D.C Membership Presentations

During the club's birthday celebrations on Saturday 22nd October the club recognized a number of its members for their years of continuous service to the club. Both 10 and 20 years badges were presented.

10 year Membership badges awarded to

06/14 Ula L
06/55 Sharon & Michael
D
06/89 Ken & Helga C
06/117 Janet F
06/325 Belinda & Shaun O'S



20 year Membership badges awarded to

96/118 Julie P
96/211 Ivan R
96/396 June W



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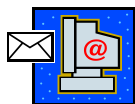
BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

Please like and follow us for more
interesting items,
videos and updates.

Berwick Obedience Dog Club Newsletter



Check the Website for new members sign up dates. Sign up begins 12.30pm. Please bring along your dog's current vaccination certificate, lead, collar and tasty treats.



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HEAT POLICY

When the predicted high temperature on the Friday evening news is greater or equal to 32 degrees celsius the club will **NOT** be open on that Saturday. Alternative training is held on Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm regardless of the temperature. If the temperature changes on the Saturday morning to below 32 degrees, the club will still remain closed due to administrative activities.

Club's Shop

For more info
see full page
advertisement
in newsletter



For all your puppy needs,
visit the club's great shop
& speak with staff about
the items we have on sale
- open 12.30 pm to
3.15pm

NEWSLETTER—DATES

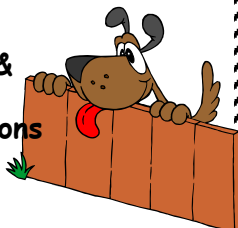
February—April,
May—July
August—October
November—December

NO TRAINING ON THESE WEEKENDS

2016.

Labour Day Weekend - Sat 12th March
Easter Weekend - Sat 26th March
Anzac Weekend—Sat 23rd April
Queens Birthday Weekend - Sat 11th June
AFL Grand Final Day - Sat 1st Oct
Melbourne Cup Weekend - Sat 29th Oct
Last Training Day 2015—Saturday 10th December 2016

**** PLEASE ALWAYS CHECK THE NEWSLETTER, NOTICE BOARDS & WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ***** Also notifications will be posted on the club Facebook page.



*****"CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR" BREAK**
2016/2017 CLUB CLOSED—After the Christmas Break Up on 10th December 2016. Club will RE-OPEN SATURDAY 4th February 2017.

CAR PARKING



**PLEASE NOTE
IF THE CAR PARK IS
FULL, PLEASE DO NOT
PARK IN THE STREET,
AS IT IS ILLEGAL TO DO
SO !!!!
IF THE FOOTBALL IS NOT
ON, THEN PLEASE PARK
ON THE HILL**





Club History - Photos



If dogs made the Rally-O signs...



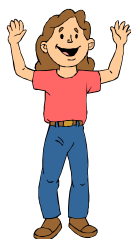
PLEASE DO NOT

WALK YOUR DOGS ON THE FOOTBALL GROUND. WE HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE HERE AT THE DOG CLUB TO WALK AND EXERCISE YOUR DOG.

THE INSTRUCTORS OBEDIENCE

Ron
Ted
Philip
Sharon
Laura
Alan
Melissa
Colin
Stephen
Andrea
Kristen

Alex
Ivan
Karon
Wayne
Lisa
Carla
Susan
Ingrid
Graeme
Heather
Gabby



THE COMMITTEE 2016/17

President - Glenda
Vice-President - Ron
Secretary - Katherine V
Treasurer - Daryl S

Committee Members 2016/17

Belinda
Stephen
Annette



KITCHEN - Glenda ,Erin, Rachel, Patrick, Angus & Geoffery

OFFICE STAFF - Annette , Tracey , Deb , Terrie, Daryl & Melissa.

HELPERS— Fiona K

GROUND STAFF—Alex & Barry

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OBEDIENCE - Lynda H

RALLY O—Hollie E

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FLYBALL

Gordon
Belinda
Paul
Janet
HELPERS
Chris M
Ula
Matt
Monique

AGILITY

Stephen
Kris
Linda
HELPERS
Hollie
Janet

RINGS

Barry

RALLY O

Nick
Susan

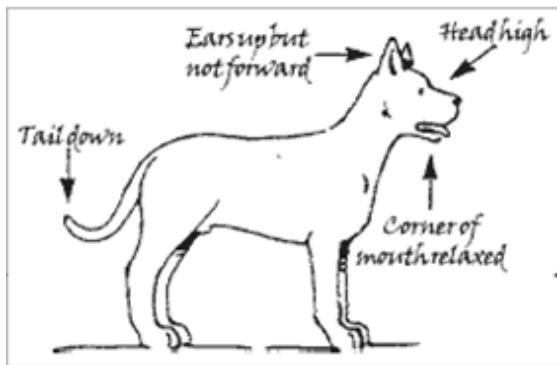


"Learning Your Dog's Body Language"

Dogs are very social animals. The ancestors of today's domestic dogs lived in packs. Communication among the members of a pack is necessary for the pack to cooperate to hunt, raise the young, and to get along. We can see pack behavior when watching two or more dogs together.

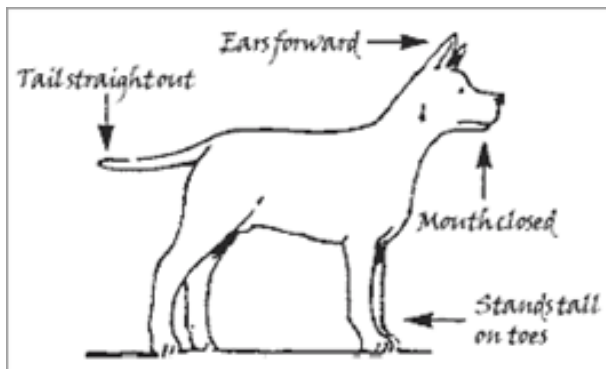
For the most part dogs communicate through body language, that is dogs use their bodies to explain their moods and thoughts. It is important for every dog owner to learn to read these messages so we can adjust our training to how the dog is feeling. Images from www.hssv.org Below a few to be aware of:

Normal posture for a dog when relaxed



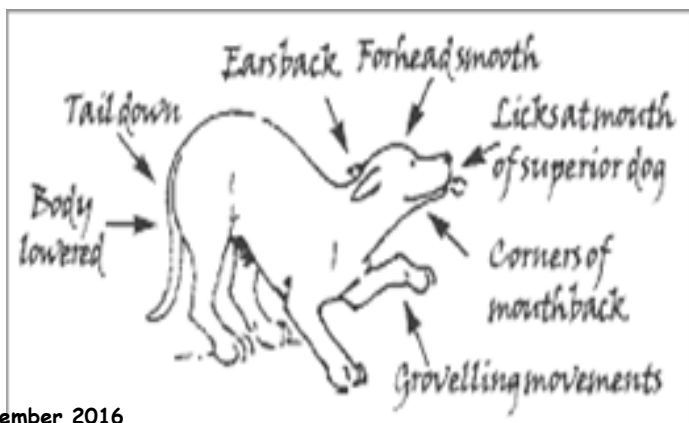
ALERT POSITION

Dogs often simply show interest on meeting another animal for the first time. The dog has not yet decided if it needs to communicate submission play, aggression, or fear. This state usually lasts only a brief moment before the dog chooses to show another feeling.



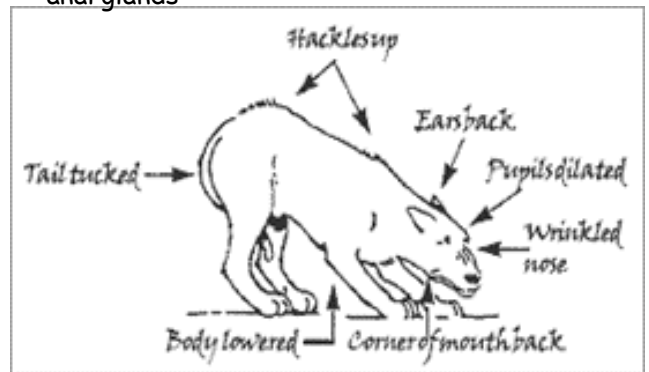
ACTIVE SUBMISSION

This is the way a dog explains that they are not the "boss", that they are less dominant than those around them. It is often used when a dog is afraid of punishment and is trying to appease his more dominant pack members.: may urinate, maybe whining, avoids eye contact tail may be wagging & held low OR tail may be tucked completely under body



DEFENSIVE THREAT POSTURE

A frightened dog can very easily become an aggressive dog, and many people have been bitten by dogs showing signs of fear. Fear-based posture may bite if cornered may be growling. May urinate and/or express anal glands

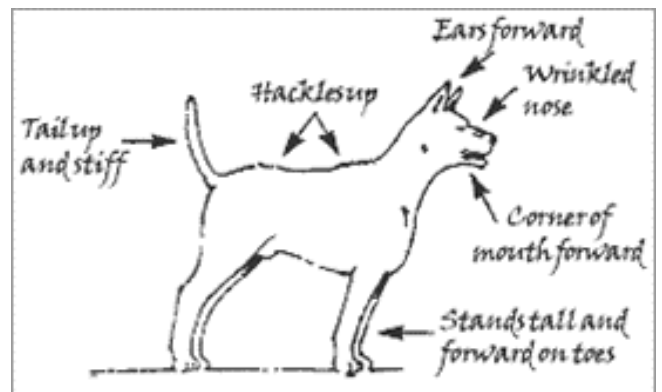


AGGRESSIVE

This is the way a dog explains that he is the "boss", that he is more dominant than those around him.

OFFENSIVE THREAT POSTURE:

dominant/confident posture dog is dangerous, may attack at any time may be growling/barking Tail may be held high & stiff while wagging





AT THE 2016 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH BERWICK BLAZE

The 2017 Australian Flyball Championships were held at the Hawkesbury show grounds in NSW 16th to 18th September 2016. The grounds were incredibly huge and the grass in such prime condition it was a pleasure camping there. 47 teams competed in three rings and the whole affair ran very well indeed. Northwest Thunderdogs broke their own Australian record with a time of 16.651 seconds. There were 11 divisions and the Berwick team, 'Blaze', ran in division 6. Monique was our debutante captain and a little anxious captaining at the Nationals. Although we experienced some equivocation in the running order, which confused the poor timekeeper (easily done), she performed admirably, and in our estimation, will continue to be an excellent captain.

The first day of competition was warm and sunny, but the second was cold with rain developing in the afternoon. Blaze had run its final race before the heavy stuff set in, so we remained relatively dry although we were kept busy discharging rainwater from the marquees.

We needed to win our final race in order to place third, so the pressure was on. Another Victorian team Wieners, our friends and arch rivals, would win the division if we beat our opponents. We won the first two heats of the best of five race and then Flint, who was third dog and had run in every race of the two days, uncharacteristically decided he had had enough and trotted back to his handler outside the jumps. He did this twice. The race was tied 2 all and Wieners were ballistic. Monique brilliantly decided to run Flint as start dog. He did well, as did all the other dogs. With Lou Lou's speed, we just scraped home. Wieners were ecstatic. They owe us!

We asked our four legged friends what they thought of their participation.

AHSOKA - Finnish Lapphund

I love Flyball so much that even though my HuMamma, Nik couldn't compete with us, she put me on a plane to Sydney so that I could compete with my friends, Flint, Grady, Astro, Ana and Lou Lou. I was so excited when they let me off the plane because my friends, Squiggle, who also does Flyball, was there to pick me up with my Auntie Shell! I loved the Flyball Nationals because I was allowed to bark as much as I liked! They also give me LOADS of treats! Don't tell anyone, but I love it so much, I would do it for free! I was sad that my HuMum couldn't compete with us, but she was able to watch us on the live stream and I made sure we ran extra fast just for her!

FLINT - Staffy X

The competition grounds had strange and scary experiences. There were huge flags flapping in the wind: steam trains with lots of loud whistling, and ENORMOUS and LOUD Hercules planes taking off and landing from the airfield across the road. I'd never seen anything like it! I tucked my tail firmly between my legs and tried to make some sense of it all. My friend Astro and I ran every one of the teams twelve races. By the end of the day in our last race I just didn't want to run anymore. Our captain changed the running order, reviving my concentration and our team won. Everyone was hugely excited. At the end I had a lovely massage and a bone. Heaven! And I did a PB of 4.282 on Sat - yeh!



AT THE 2016 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH BERWICK BLAZE—cont

We asked our four legged friends what they thought of their participation cont.

GRADY - Kelpie X

My human hasn't let me do much exercise for a few months. Something to do with my leg but I think it's fine! I have been going to some guy called Tony who has pulled and pushed and made it better so when I saw the flyball harness I was super excited. We drove a long long way and I finally got to play FLYBALL!!! My usual team mates weren't there so I had to focus all my attention on my new best friend Flint. He made me want to run faster. My human kept handing me to different people when she was running my sister Lou Lou. They kept bringing me back in though on Saturday. By the end of the second day I didn't want to get out of my crate. I must work on this fitness thing!

ASTRO - Schnoodle

I love flyball, especially the ones where we have to camp. I enjoyed the Saturday as I was able to run really fast and get a new PB; and I'm only 8yrs old, so I was very proud of myself and so was my Mum. She ran around telling everyone, it was very funny. Sunday wasn't as enjoyable because of the rain, but I still ran my legs off. I enjoyed competing with this team, they are a great bunch of dogs. I also got to have a massage on the Friday which was lovely as it helped free up across my shoulders which get very tight. I reckon this helped with getting my new PB on Saturday. My Mum was shown some stretches that she could help me with before and after racing. Then on Sunday, after I had finished competing I went back to the physio lady, we had to wait a while as there were lots of other dogs but when it was my turn she put that heat vibrating thingy on me again (it was soooooo lovely as it warmed me up) then she did some manipulation. On the Monday the sun came out again and it was a beautiful day to pack up and head off.

We didn't go back home straight away. We went to Mystery Bay for 2 nights and guess what? Flint and Jax were there as well, so I got to have a play with them and a run and swim at the beach. It was so relaxing after 2 hectic days of flyball.

ANA - Staffy

What a great trip away with my human family. I got to go away without my annoying brother Buddy and I got to do the one thing I love the most...flyball. Even though I didn't get to race as much as my team mates (Mum says it's because my mind goes faster than my feet will take me) I still had the best time ever running for my human brother Cody. We make such a good team, Cody and I! Mum said I made her very proud with an awesome save in the ring, I'm not sure what she is talking about, all I know is if I remember to bring the ball back then I get food! Woohooo Alas eventually we had to return home and I had to face that annoying brother, wish we could have stayed away forever!

LOU LOU Kelpie X

They keep mentioning flyball. What's flyball? I don't see so well so I rely on my hearing and there were lots of loud noises which was very distracting for me. I didn't get to play much on the first day. They kept swapping me out for Grady. Not sure why! Finally figured it out - they want me to bring the ball all the way back to my mum! They should have said so earlier. I got to play lots on Sunday and I ran superfast once I was more comfortable. I got treats!!! It was fun. Oh - so that's what flyball is. Got it!!!

AT THE 2016 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH BERWICK BLAZE—cont

Here is Chris and Monique's take on the fantastic weekend.

CHRIS - BOXLOADER

Frances was unable to travel to The Nationals this year due to health issues, so I car convoyed with Monique, Cameron, Cody, Connor and Ana. We travelled up the Hume passing "The dog on the Tucker Box" at Gundagai. My X-Trail was loaded with the box, basket of balls and the ball shagger, plus my own bags. I had booked a cabin at Avina where Monique and the boys also stayed. After unpacking, I drove to the showgrounds to check out the rings and catch up with all the other flyballers who were camped at the grounds.

Saturday was a lovely day and getting the box in for each race was not a concern, the ground was firm. I also boxloaded for Wondogs whenever they needed me.

Sunday was wet and the ground became very soft and the box moved a lot whenever the fast dogs hit the box hard. We were all like drowned rats; just as well we didn't have to race towards the end of the day. There were no race offs this Nationals as the grounds became wetter and more dangerous. The marquees, gutter and sides were saturated!

Congratulations to Berwick Blaze for placing 3rd in Division 6. And a big thank you to all who helped put the 'box in and out', jump heights, times and to our captain, Monique.

CAPTAIN - MONIQUE

Well to say that I was proud of this lot was an understatement.

What a team, they backed all my decisions over the 2 days and made my captaining job easy, which I was extremely nervous about since it was only my second time captaining a team. And with 3 rings running over the 2 days I don't think my feet stopped moving.

The dogs ran so well with only a few errors and we came out with a 3rd place win, which none of us thought would happen. Astro and Flint ran every race and did us proud and with a little training on the Sunday morning LouLou came right to run and got us over the finishing line. Ana and Grady although slow proved that they are consistent dogs and know what they are have to do to get the job done. And of course, Ahsoka ran like a star with two different handlers from NSW - they were the nicest of ladies.





TRACKING SUCCESS AT B.O.D.C

This season some Berwick members have had success with tracking.

Heather R tracked her own dog Harvey to gain his Tracking Dog Excellent and Tracking Champion Titles.

Harvey is a Dual Champion as he previously attained his Conformation Champion title. Quite an achievement for a dog who is only three years old.



Heather also tracked my dogs Pip and Brynn since I was unable to with my back injury.

Pip got his Tracking Dog, Tracking Dog Excellent and Tracking Champion titles this year. Brynn gained her Tracking Dog and Tracking Dog Excellent awards.

Lorraine P tracked Robbie to get his Tracking Dog and Tracking Dog Excellent titles. Robbie has been very busy this year as he achieved a Rally Masters title, Companion Dog Excellent title and Endurance Test too. Lorraine's other dog Danny passed track 2 and got his Rally Masters title.

Also flying the flag for Berwick in tracking is Katrina W, whose dog Chivas got her Tracking Dog title.



**WITH HOT DAYS APPROACHING
PLEASE KEEP THIS IN MIND**



32c A Number TO REMEMBER !



PLEASE NOTE that under the ground rules,

**RULE NUMBER 14
STATES -**

All training will be cancelled when the expected high temperature is greater than or equal to 32c.

NO Instructors will be attending to conduct classes, there will be NO TRAINING ON THESE DAYS.

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF DOG TRAINING

Dogs learn by repetition, that is the same thing repeated several times, however dogs have a limited attention span to sights and sounds that do not have an immediate survival potential - Thus it is not advisable to repeat an exercise **more than 3 times in a row**.

Beginners Class Exercises

Simple exercises in beginners are designed to give you a degree of control over your dog. Obviously you have more control over a dog that is sitting quietly rather than swinging on the end of the lead. After a few weeks of beginners, your dog will come when called and sit still while you put on their collar and lead. You will learn that you are the leader of the pack and the boss dog. And they will accept your direction and guidance.

PRAISE AND REWARD THE BEHAVIOUR YOU WANT GROWL FOR THE BEHAVIOUR YOU DON'T WANT

Got some spare time?? Can you help out ??

Do you enjoy meeting new people.

Why not come and join us??

If you have some time to spare,
we would love it if you could give some time to help
the club.



Help with
the barby

Shop



Kitchen

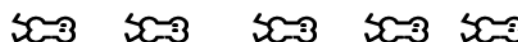
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If you think dogs
cant count, try
putting 3 dog biscuits
in your pocket and
then give your dog
only two of them. -
Phil Pastoret



"You Know You're A Dog Person"



When your refrigerator
contains more dog bones
than anything else.

When you and the dog come
down with something like flu
on the same day.



When the rubbish bin is
more or less permanently
on the bench or table, to
keep the dog out of it
while you're at work.





Club's Shop



Did you know that the BODC has a great shop?

With friendly service and prices well below your regular pet shop!

Hours: 12.30pm—3.15 pm

Why not come in and check us out for your obedience training, agility, flyball and trialling gear needs. We stock a great range including:

Leads - Leather, nylon
 - Webbing (90, 120 & 180cm)
 - Adjustable/ multipurpose
 Snub



Collars - Limited slip collars*

- Correction chains*
- Gentle leaders*
- Training collars
- Easy Walk Harness

*The correct sizes all expertly fitted to your dog!

Car harnesses
 Treat pouches
 Kongs & Treat balls
 Squeaky toys (for training)
 UD Articles
 Show arm bands
 Dog crates (By Special Order)
 Club clothing (incl. polo shirts, windcheaters, vests, beanies, caps & hats)
 Club travel mugs (no more spilling drinks!)



SHOP SPECIALS

Dog Treats for training (from 50c/bag)

Selected in store specials* If we don't have something that you need, see if we can order it in for you.



"SPOT THE DIFFERENCE !!!"

How good are you at spotting the difference. There are 5 things different between these pictures. Picture 1 is correct, picture 2 is different, can you find them, check out the answers in this edition.

PICTURE 1

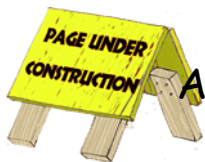


PICTURE 2





HELP REQUIRED

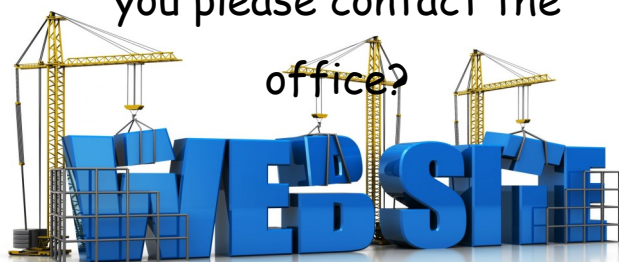


Are you a web designer?

We are looking for
someone who may be
interested in designing a new
website for the club.

If you are interested could
you please contact the

office?



Training Times

OBEDIENCE

1.30pm to 2.15pm - Beginners & Red,
2.45pm to 3.45pm -
Yellow, Pink, Green & Blue
Trial Rings 1 pm—2.30pm Advanced/Instructors
Names must be entered on the sheet by 2.00pm
Ring Stays at 2.30 pm
2.45—3.45pm new to trialing

FLYBALL

Team Training: 11.30am - 12.15pm
Intermediate: 12.15pm—12.45pm.
There are 2 beginner sessions: 1.00pm—1.30pm &
1.30pm—2.00pm
Please Note: Fly ball will only be held if instructors
are available on the day.

AGILITY

From 11.45 pm on Saturday's.
Please Note: Agility will only be held if instructors
are available on the day.
We ask that all handlers who help in setting up the
course **MUST EITHER** have their DOG placed in a
crate or left in the car.

ABOUT THE BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

The Berwick Obedience Dog Club was founded in October 1980. The club is the only one in the area that trains on Saturday afternoons. The club operates from the first Saturday in February until the first Saturday in December. We train every weekend except for long weekends (Labour Day, Easter, Anzac Day, Queen's Birthday, Melbourne Cup and AFL Grand Final Day). Training is also cancelled if the forecast maximum temperature is 32° or higher. Otherwise we train rain, hail or shine! The club also offers twilight training on Wednesday evenings during daylight saving time.



2003—Training where the 2nd
Off Leash area currently is



2003—Training where the
1st Off Leash area
currently is.

Since 1980 the club has trained thousands of people in responsible dog ownership to make our local community a dog friendly area. The club has also produced a number of champions in obedience, flyball and agility. Our club has many dedicated and enthusiastic members. Each month more and more people decide that dog obedience training is a great idea for their family pet. It is fantastic to see 30 to 40 new members joining up on our sign up days and give their dogs a great start towards being a well-behaved member of the family. Our joining, membership and training fees are very reasonable to make obedience training your dog a very affordable hobby.



Yellow Bandanas

The Berwick Obedience Dog Club has available **Yellow Bandanas** to identify dogs that may need a bit of space around them.

The reason for needing one could be:

- Nervousness
- Recovery from an operation (i.e.: convalescing)
- Unsociable to people or other dogs

When approaching a handler and dog with a yellow bandana, we should:

- ♦ Be respectful of their space
- ♦ Ask the handler if they are happy to socialize with your dog

When approaching a yellow bandana dog please make sure your dog doesn't go running up to it freely, just as the handler of the yellow bandana dog should be mindful of the space around their dog at all times.

Quite often handlers of yellow bandana dogs have put a lot of work into dealing with specific problems with them, so it would be disappointing if all their hard work was lost.

So if you feel your puppy needs to be given their own space, then go to the office and obtain a bandana for the day. Please return them when you have finished, so that other puppies can have their turn. This is not something the BODC is forcing on handlers as it is your choice and for the wellbeing of your dog/puppy.



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE ANS -

1. Smiley dog is missing.
2. Front dog has gone missing.
3. New dog's head has appeared.
4. Dog is have a wee.
5. A black hole has appeared.

Club - Hydro-Bath

The club has purchased (using funds from the chocolate drive) a hydro-bath to give your dogs a quick rinse of the little bit of mud that they might collect while training. Come the warmer months we will be able offer its use to you to use for a full wash.

Some dogs are not used to being in a hydro-bath and need to be 'trained' before they feel happy about staying in it. If you have one of these dogs please try to come outside of the rush at the end of each session, so we can spend more time with you and your dog.



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"CHRISTMAS BREAK UP!!! 10TH DECEMBER 2016"



Starting from 12.30pmFree BBQ all day!!

This year we are donating again to RSPCA Pearcedale, so everyone please bring dog/cat food, toys, blankets or a donation of \$2.00 or more is appreciated. A collection area will be set up near the main clubroom.

Various fun events will run throughout the day.

Our fastest recall competition will run from approx. 12.30pm prizes given.



Come and try Rally O and Agility.

Flyball demonstration at approx 1:15 also come & try,

Fancy dress at approx 1:45.

Fancy dress entries must be prior to the day, so put your name on the sheet on the sign in table.

Prizes will go to the best dressed dog and owner.

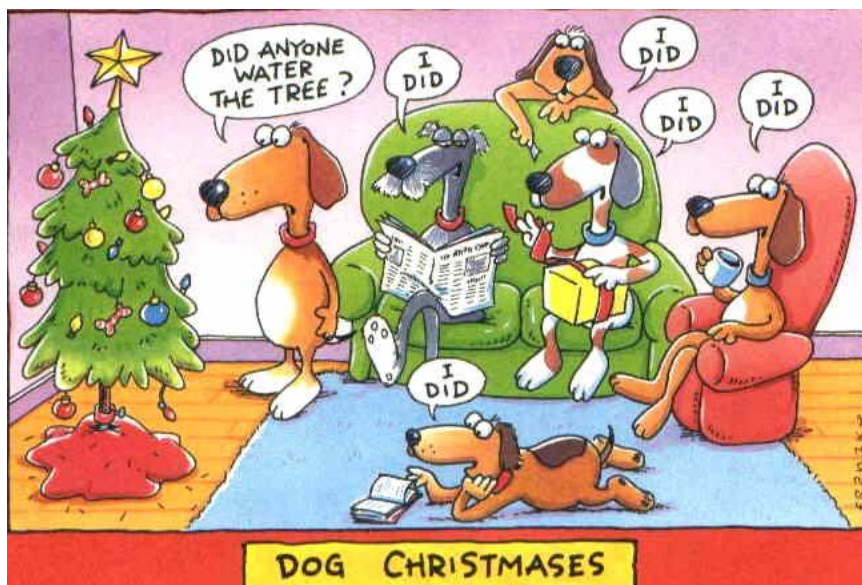
Raffle & award presentations will be done before Santa.

Santa will arrive approx. 2.30/2.45pm with lollies for the kids.

Did you know your dog can get a photo with Santa, so bring the camera.

Most Important :-

Make sure you put your name on the list for the Fun Day on Dec 10th for catering purposes and also if you are bringing kids along to see Santa, closing date will be Sat Dec 3rd 2016





Off - Leash Area Rules

- * Do not enter when the flag is displayed - Obedience, Agility or Fly ball class is in progress.
- * Dog owners using this area are responsible for their dogs and injuries or damage caused by them.
- * Always consult those already using the area before entering.
- * Only stay 5 minutes if others are waiting.
- * Clean up after your dog.
- * Dogs showing signs of aggressive behavior towards people or other dogs must be removed from the area immediately.
- * Maximum of 8 dogs at a time.
- * All dogs must wear a collar and owners must carry a leash at all times while in the area.
- * Owners must not leave their dogs unattended while in the area.
- * No toys are to be used in the off leash area on club days
- * Beginners are not to use the off leash area. (unless during training with a BODC instructor)
- * No young children permitted in the area.
- * Some of these rules are not on the fence, as they are only during club hours.



You Know You're Are Dog Person - when



You have a kiddie wading pool in the yard, but no small children.



You can't see out the passenger side or rear windows because there are nose-prints all over the inside.



REMEMBER TO CALL YOUR DOG EVERY 90 SECONDS



For up to date information regarding training time and tips join us on Facebook.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/156097671085185/>



Ground Rules 2016

1. No bitch in season is permitted on or near the training grounds.
2. All dogs are to be on lead between the hours of 11:30am to 4:00pm unless in the off-lead area.). (Amended to include 'unless in the off-lead area' September 2007. Amended November 2015 changed to 4.30pm and added "under...area".)
3. Dogs droppings to be cleaned up immediately.
4. No hitting a dog except when trying to prevent a dog from biting a person or a dog
5. No smoking in class or in any undercover areas of the Clubrooms or Sheds. ('or in any undercover areas ... ' Added September 2010)
6. No dogs allowed in the club kitchen
7. Handlers must be financial members of the club to attend training.
8. No children other than child handlers to be in the training areas.
9. Children must be under direct adult supervision at all times. . (Amended to include 'direct' January 2008. Amended November 2015 to remove "especially....dogs.")
10. All handlers must wear their membership card when attending training.
11. The committee may require a dog to be muzzled whilst on the club's grounds & in the car park if it has bitten or shown an extreme tendency of unprovoked aggression towards people or other dogs. (Amended 'must be muzzled' to 'Committee may require a dog to be muzzled' July 2008)
12. Members have the right to appeal against muzzling.
13. Any member not complying with The Club's Rules are subject to the provisions of The Club's Constitution.
14. No training will be held if Saturday's predicted high temperature on Friday evening 6pm news is greater than or equal to 32°C. (Amended to include 'on Friday evening' October 2005, Amended to '30°C' February 2008. Amended to include "6pm news" October 2014. Amended November 2015 to 32°C)
15. No member is to enter The Club's rings/classes without an Instructor's authorization. (Amended "classes" October 2014)
16. No member is to drive The Club's tractor without authorization from The Committee.
17.
 - (a) No passengers are to be carried on the tractor or the trailer.
 - (b) The tractor is to be immobilized when parked outside the shed
18. The minimum age of a handler is 12 years. Members under 12 years must be approved by the appropriate training subcommittee before handling a dog. Adult supervision during training sessions is required for handlers under 12 years.
19. Off leash area (Added June 2007)
 - (a) Do not enter the area when a class is in progress
 - (b) Eight dog maximum limit
 - (c) Members must consult those in the ring before entering
 - (d) Five minute maximum stay when others waiting
 - (e) Any dog showing any sign of aggression must be immediately removed
 - (f) All dogs must wear a collar
 - (g) All handlers must carry a leash and a plastic bag
 - (h) Dogs to be under constant supervision
 - (i) No children under 12 years to enter the area
 - (j) All dogs to be recalled regularly
 - (k) No toys or balls in the off leash area during club hours.
 - (l) ~~Beginners are not to use the off leash area unless under the supervision of an instructor.~~ (added Jan 2012) (Amended "unless under the supervision of an instructor" October 2014. Amended November 2015 removed as it is now replaced by the changes made in 2.)
20. That all handlers are to wear suitable enclosed footwear whilst training their dogs. Eg. No thongs or High Heels.
21. No unattended dogs are to be left in the Clubrooms.



THE DO'S OF DOG TRAINING



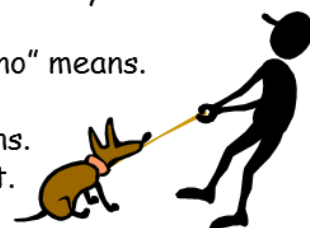
1. Do be nice to your dog every time they come to you.
2. Do get into the habit of using only one command, If your dog doesn't respond, reinforce the command.
3. Do use your dog's name to get their attention and then tell them what you want them to do.
4. Do use a normal tone of voice when you give command. Their hearing is quite acute.
5. Do be consistent in your actions and expectations.
 - Do provide an outlet for your dog's energies.
 - Do keep your dog's mentally stimulated by training them.
 - Do understand that your dog is a social animal, train them so that they can be a part of the family.
9. Do socialise your dog with people and other dogs.
10. Do become the pack leader.
11. Do make learning fun for your dog.
12. Do reward the behaviors you want.
13. Do spend plenty of time with your dog/s and give them lots of exercise.
14. Do keep trying and your dog will reward you by getting the message.
15. Do get outside help when you get stuck.



THE DON'TS OF DOG TRAINING



1. Don't do anything your dog perceives as unpleasant when they come to you.
2. Don't nag your dog by repeating commands - it teaches them to ignore you.
3. Don't use your dog's name and then expect them to read your mind as to what you want.
4. Don't expect your dog to know what the exercise "no" means.
5. Don't yell at your dog. He's not deaf.
6. Don't confuse your dog with unrealistic expectations.
7. Don't try to suppress behaviors that need an outlet.
8. Don't let your dog stagnate.
9. Don't lock your dog up or put him out because you haven't trained him to behave.
10. Don't isolate your dog.
11. Don't expect your dog to obey if you are not their leader.
12. Don't get too serious in your training.
13. Don't reward undesirable behaviors.
14. Don't make them neurotic by neglecting them.
15. Don't give up when the going gets tough.
16. Don't blame the dog.



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