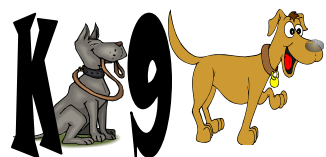


BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB



NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER 2015



PROUDLY CELEBRATING OVER 35 YEARS OF PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP

Come to the 2016 Working Bee

When: Saturday 16th January

Where: Berwick Obedience Club Grounds

Time: 9.00am to lunch time

Please watch Face book for more details.

There will be an E Mail sent to you as we get closer to the date with more details.

Lunch will be provided



Presidents Report November 2015

This is my first newsletter report as President of the Berwick Obedience Dog Club (BODC) and I would like to thank everyone who has welcomed and assisted me in this role so far.

Such a wealth of experience and knowledge amongst our members but I must acknowledge the most extraordinary and amazing contribution all our wonderful volunteers make. So much hard work and dedication behind the scenes that means the Club runs smoothly.

It is hard to know where to start as there has been so much going on. In the last couple of months! Firstly is a huge congratulations to the Agility Sub-Committee and entrants in the BODC Agility Trial held on 4th October. A glorious sunny day greeted the competitors with over 500 entries our judges and stewards worked hard all day!

Around the ground I heard a lot of great feedback from people enjoying the day and complimenting our grounds. With just enough time to recover we held our Members competition on 17th October and again lots of lovely feedback from everyone. Congratulations to all those who obtained passes and places. A special thanks to Heather R and all our Judges and Stewards who kept smiling through all the ups and downs of the day!

Also a special thanks to all our extra volunteers on the day in the kitchen and on the grounds with a big shout out to the Beaconsfield Venturers whose barbecuing skills were hard to beat.

Last but by no means least a huge Happy 35th Birthday to our Club!!

As this is the last newsletter this year I would also like to take the opportunity to wish all our Members and their families a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Sharon D

FIRST TRAINING DAY —2016

Saturday 6th February.
Sign up begins at 12.30pm

Last Day of Training Saturday 12th December

See posters for all the details. No training will take place but heaps of other great fun exercises for you, your dog and family to participate in.

Santa will be coming along with the BODC Raffle, dog dress-ups and heaps more fun.

So don't miss out and be here on Saturday 12th December starting at 1.30pm.





New members sign up dates are listed on the club's web page
Sign up starts from 12.30pm.
Please bring along your dog's current vaccination certificate, collar, lead and some tasty food.



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Narre Warren North 3804
Phone 9796-9496



McKenzie Lane,
Narre Warren North.
Victoria 3804
Melways Map 108 Ref E8

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 30 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

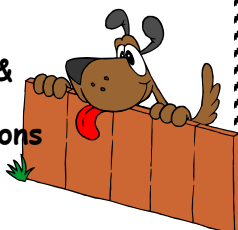
February—April,
May—July
August—October
November—December

NO TRAINING ON THESE WEEKENDS

2015.

Labour Day Weekend - Sat 7th March
Easter Weekend - Sat 4th April
Anzac Day—Sat 25th April (Official Day)
Queens Birthday Weekend - Sat 6th June
AFL Grand Final Day - Sat 3rd Oct
Melbourne Cup Weekend - Sat 31st Oct
Last Training Day 2015—Saturday 12th December 2015

**** 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**
2015/2016 CLUB CLOSED—After the Christmas Break Up on 12th December 2015. Club will RE-OPEN SATURDAY 6th February 2016.

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...



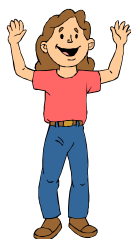
PLEASE DO NOT

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
Ti-Li
Laura
Paul
Alan
Melissa
Lara
Colin
Stephen
Andrea

Alex
Julie
Ivan
Karon
Wayne
Lisa
Carla
Susan
Ingrid
Graeme
Don
Heather



THE COMMITTEE 2015/16

President - Sharon
Vice-President - Ron
Secretary - Glenda
Treasurer - Annette
Committee Members 2015/16
Katherine
Laura
Stephen
Courtenay
Belinda
Daryl



KITCHEN - Glenda , Courtney, Erin, Rachel, Patrick, Angus & Geoffery
OFFICE STAFF - Annette , Tracey , Deb , Terrie, Daryl & Melissa.
HELPERS— Fiona K
GROUND STAFF—Alex & Barry
TRIAL SECRETARIES— 2015
OBEDIENCE - Lynda H
RALLY O—Hollie E
Contact—obediencetrial@berwickodc.asn.au

FLYBALL

Belinda
Paul
Gordon
Janet
HELPERS
Chris M
Ula
Monique
Matt

AGILITY

Stephen
Kris
Linda
HELPERS
Hollie
Janet

RINGS

Barry

RALLY O

Nick
Susan



Members Competition Results 17th Oct 2015

Congratulations to the following members on their achievements
(and apologies for any spelling errors).

OBEDIENCE

Red #1 - Judge Laura B

1st Hollie & Charlie - 96 Points
2nd Nadine & Maggie - 76 Points
3rd Shirley & Indi - 75 Points
Encouragement Laura & Kaiser

Red #2 - Judge - Alan Mac

1st Charlotte & Charlie - 90 points
2nd Melyce & Karma - 80 points
3rd Jeff & Maggie - 60 points

Yellow - Judge - Ted D

1st Katherine & Matt - 80 points
2nd Katrina & Ollie - 60 points
3rd Chris & Zeus - 54 points
Encouragement Fiona & Taro

Pink - Judge - Alex Mc

1st Karen & Ferg - 86 points
2nd Nikki & Fauve - 81 points
3rd Natalie & Fergus - 79 points
Encouragement Kerry & Rebel

Green - Judge - Karon S

1st Kate & Des - 86 points
2nd Leah & Mesha - 65 points
3rd Leah & Ridge - 62 points

Blue - Judge - Wayne S

1st Carol & Shiloh - 97 points
2nd Carol & Karlee - 95 points
3rd Laura & Roxy - 87 points
Encouragement Gaby & Bella
Encouragement Jenny & Coco

Blue Trialling Judge - Barry C

1st Debbie & Miley - 182 points
2nd Karen & Fergus - 179 points
3rd Cheryl & Wizard - 88 points
Encouragement Katrina & Ice

RALLY-O

Rally O - Pink & Yellow Judge - Susan S

1st Nikki & Fauve - 98 points
1st Natalie & Fergus - 98 points
3rd Karen & Angus - 97 points
Encouragement Kathryn & Missha

Rally O - Trialling Judge - Hollie E

1st Cheryl & Wizard - 97 points
2nd Lorraine & Danny - 97 points
3rd Janet & Barny - 96 points

Rally O - Green/Blue Judge - Lisa S

1st Meera & Jax - 11.5 points
2nd Debbie & Maggie - 9.5 points
2nd Elaine & Buddy - 9.5 points
Encouragement Katrina & Ice
Encouragement Les & Millie



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 pooch!

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.

DOG ALLERGIES

Sources: Murdoch University, Perth Petcontrol.com



Did you know that dogs can suffer from allergies, just like we do?

Dog Allergies (Dermatitis) are common and can come from a number of everyday sources such as

- *Pollens *Grasses *Dust Mites *Proteins *Carbs *Beef *Mutton *Chicken *Wheat *Corn *Soy *Dairy *Eggs *Weeds
- *Trees *Mould Spores

Some dogs can even become allergic to a food that they have been eating for many years.

Areas most affected by Allergies include

- *Ears *Muzzle *Eyes *Armpits *Groin *Paws *Respiratory system

Some symptoms of allergies include

- *Reddening of Ears, Skin and in between the Toes
- *Scratching, Chewing and Licking
- *Coughing, Wheezing and Sneezing



Sounds like most of what we suffer doesn't it! It's always good to check over your dog a couple of times a week. So remember to pay attention to the above areas, especially at this time of the year.

You will need to see your Vet for treatment which may include injections, tablets and/or creams. Secondary Infections can occur from too much scratching, so don't wait too long to get your pooch to the vet. Allergy tests are also available for environmental allergies, to find out what your pooch is allergic to, and if it is recurring often, vaccines are also available.



"Is this the bus to the Berwick Obedience Dog Club?"



New design in dog bedding - "The Burger Bed"

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.

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



Kitchen

In the Shop



Office





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.



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.



Pound Road Veterinary Clinic

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and Associates

**Friendly Professional Services at
Competitive Prices**

Full Veterinary Services Plus

- * Weight Loss Program
- * Dentistry
- * Puppy Pre-School
- * Grooming
- * Hydrobath
- * Microchipping
- * Premium Pet Foods & Accessories
- * Pensioner Discounts

Business Hours

Mon to Fri 8am to 8pm

Sat 9am to 3pm, Sun 10am to 2pm

Consultation By Appointment

Phone : 9799 1479

Cnr Pound Rd & Vanessa Dve

Hampton Park (Near Freeway Entrance)

Web: www.poundroadvet.com



Present this Coupon for a 20% Discount off

**MICROCHIPPING
VACCINATION
or DESEXING**

Limit of ONE coupon per customer



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 sign and send birthday/anniversary/ Christmas cards from your dog.



"Dogs and Music"



In a search at Allmusic.com, the word dog in the song or comedy title was listed 370 times. Some examples are:

"Who let the Dogs Out" - 2000 - Baha Men

"Butt Scootin Doggie" - 1999 - Barry Martin

"Dogs" - 1974 - Bee Gees

"Dogs" - 1977 - Pink Floyd

"Dogs" - 1971 - Bill Cosby (Comedy)



**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 2015

1. No bitch in season is permitted on or near the training grounds.
2.
 - (a) No dogs allowed on the ground without a leash, unless under the supervision of an instructor.
 - (b) 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)
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, especially when near unattended dogs. (Amended to include 'direct' January 2008)
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 is subject to the provisions of The Club's Constitution.
14. No training will be held if Saturday's predicted high temperature on Friday evening is greater than or equal to 32°C. (Amended to include 'on Friday evening' October 2005, Amended to '32°C' September 2015)
15. No member is to enter The Club's rings without an Instructor's authorization.
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. (added Jan 2012)
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.



DO YOU NEED A SUMMER COOLER? COME BY THE CLUB CANTEEN FOR SOME DELICIOUS FOOD AND SNACKS

HOT FOOD

PIE \$3.00
SAUSAGE ROLL \$2.00
PASTIE \$3.00
HOT DOGS \$2.00
DIM SIMS 70c

LOLLIES & SNACKS

VARIETY OF CHOCOLATE BARS \$2.50
FIZZ WHIZZ 50c
JOY STICKS 20c
RED ROCK DELI CHIPS (VARIETY) \$2.00
MUFFINS \$2.00
CHUPA CHUPS 50c
SNAKES \$1.00
ICY POLES \$1.00
ICE CREAMS \$1.50

COLD DRINKS

COCA COLA \$2.00
PEPSI MAX \$2.00
LEMONADE \$2.00
SOLO \$2.00
FANTA \$2.00
LEMON MINERAL WATER \$2.50
LEMON LIME MINERAL WATER \$2.50
APPLE & RASPBERRY MINERAL WATER
\$2.50
WATER \$1.50
ORGANE JUICE \$2.50
ICE TEA (VARIETY) \$3.00

HOT DRINKS

HOT CHOCOLATE
COFFEE
DECAFFINATED COFFEE
TEAS (VARIETY)





5 FAST FACTS ABOUT

Staffordshire Bull Terriers

Personality - Staffordshire Bull Terriers (Staffies) are great family dogs. Staffies thrive in a family environment. They are loyal and devoted, great with kids and love to play, but can be great lounge lizards too!

Favourite Activities - Staffies love to play games with the whole family and have also been known to tolerate the kids playing dress-ups with them! They also do well at flyball and agility.

Backyard Requirements - Staffies do not need a large backyard, as long as they have plenty of fun and games as well as a daily walk. Staffies do not cope well with being left in the backyard, they have a strong need to always be with you and/or the family and need to be heavily involved in family life.



Watchdog Qualities - Staffies are an alert watchdog, letting you know when there are strangers around, but will more than likely happily greet the stranger, rather than challenge them.



Hereditary Diseases - Staffies can suffer from skin allergies as well as sun burn for the lighter coloured dogs. They can also suffer from some eye problems as well as hip dysplasia.

Source: www.dogslife.com.au

5 FAST FACTS ABOUT

Hungarian Vizslas

Personality - The Vizslas are graceful and athletic, as well as being highly intelligent, but need strong leadership. The Vizsla makes an affectionate, loyal, even tempered family pet but can be slow to mature.

Favourite Activities - The Vizsla was originally bred as a Hunting/Gun Dog, so they love hunting are great swimmers as well. You will find that they will love to retrieve balls for you.

Backyard Requirements - Vizslas need a large extremely well fenced backyard. They can get bored very easily and jump your regular fence with ease. You really need to walk them for around an hour a day and include some vigorous off-lead exercise as well.



Watchdog Qualities - The Vizslas are a very alert watchdog, and will certainly let you know when there are any strangers around.

Hereditary Diseases - The Vizslas can suffer from Hip Dysplasia as well as Epilepsy, so remember to purchase your pup from a reputable breeder, where the parents have been tested for these problems.

Source: www.dogslife.com.au





B.O.D.C History. 2006



Pictures supplied by
Bernie G.



Great pictures from
the BODC
Members
Competition day
presentations.
2006

