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IT'S TIME TO GET THAT MONKEY OFF YOUR BACK!

Welcome back to Training in 2011!!



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BODC TWILIGHT TRAINING 2011

Twilight training will begin again on Wednesday the 9th February 2011 and continue until the end of daylight saving.

Time 7pm - 8pm

Wednesday night training is a less formal training session than Saturdays, where han-



dlers and dogs from all levels join in together and do a variety of exercises and play some games.

All members welcome!

Lisa (on behalf of Obedience Sub Committee)

"Visit our BODC Canteen"



Operational during
Saturday training

We have drinks, lollies, chocolate bars, icy poles, tea, coffee, hot pies and sausage rolls

**** IF POSSIBLE SMALL CHANGE &
NOTES WOULD BE APPRECIATED ****



President's Report



Welcome back to all returning members and our new members that have just joined us.

I hope that you have all enjoyed your Christmas and New Year break are looking forward to getting back to training and catching up with friends at the club.

For a handful of us this isn't our first day back, on the 15 Jan the club held a working bee to perform odd jobs, clean up the shed and around the grounds. For the second year in a row the rubbish found filled a large skip. There was also a very good crew armed with shovels and rakes that spread more mulch around the grounds. Thank you to you all, who turned up on this not so pleasant morning (weather wise) but left in blazing sunshine,

With the start of a new year it's time to think about what you and your dog want to achieve. For everyone this will be different, based on your current level of training and the 'issues' that you and your training partner have. So to get the ball rolling I'm putting it out there that I will enter Georgie in CCD at the Clubs May Obedience Trial and Freddie to have two agility titles by the end of the year. CCD has a 1 min sit stay and a 2 min down stay. Georgie currently doesn't stay anywhere unless she is eating. But she does have some Agility titles, this will be interesting and I'm sure to learn a lot along the way.

I guess this leads into your own reasons for joining the club and what you want to achieve with your dog. For some of you this might form as you go along, others have something happening at home that you are not happy with. Others have a firm goal in mind. Whatever your reason if you let your Instructor know, they can then work with you to accomplish your goal.

There are water bowls around the grounds, with the warmer weather please make use of them during class time.

Lastly lets enjoy the green grass growing out of firm dry ground while we can.

Stephen Pearson



HAVE YOU LOST SOMETHING?



Take a look in our lost property box in the clubrooms.

Berwick Obedience Dog Club

Autumn Members Competition

**For Yellow ,Pink ,Green and Blues classes Plus trialling
classes**

Saturday 26th of March

NORMAL CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS AND RED CLASSES

**CCD, NOVICE AND OPEN CLASSES STARTING AT 1.00PM
YELLOW TO BLUE CLASSES STARTING AT 1.30**

**ENTRIES TAKEN ON THE DAY
(NO ENTRIES TAKEN AFTER 2.15)**

BBQ AND PRESENTATIONS AT THE END OF THE DAY



**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
PLEASE SEE YOUR INSTRUCTOR ASK AT THE OFFICE**

2010 Supercoat National Flyball Championships



On Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th November Berwick Obedience Dog Club (BODC) had the honour of hosting the 12th National Flyball Championships at the Dandenong Show in Victoria. There was a record 45 teams entered over 9 Divisions. Competitors came from all over Australia and it was wonderful to see over 250 dogs of all different shapes and sizes competing.

The lead up to the Nationals was a 'full on' 18 months of meetings, meetings and more meetings! Our Nationals subcommittee dedicated a lot of time (and space in their houses) to trying to make the 2010 Flyball Nationals an event that everyone would remember.

And remember they will, rain, rain and more rain! Hopefully this is not all the competitors and spectators will remember though. After a sweltering day on the Friday setting up the grounds, the skies opened up over Melbourne on Friday night.

As you can imagine, by early Saturday morning we were starting to have a panic attack as to whether the 2010 Flyball Nationals were actually going to happen at all! After discussions with judges, other officials and captains, we decided to shorten the running order so that at least we would be able to get some racing in. As soon as there was a break in the weather, racing started.

Fortunately for us the Dandenong Show Grounds were fantastic and held up to the challenge.

The competitors were really good and coped well with the showers that continued throughout a large portion of Saturday. Some of our canine competitors were not amused with running in the rain and let us know by running down for their ball, stopping to shake off and then continuing back to their handler to complete a clean run.

Sunday conditions were much more pleasant without the rain and even a few patches of sunshine managed to sneak through the clouds.

With such a large variety of dogs there was a dog for each spectator to cheer for. Gravy, the Silky Terrier from Tassie Jackjumpers was our smallest competitor, with speeds of between 11 and 13 seconds, and Dudley the Briard was the largest competitor from Norwest Thunderdogs 4. There were some fantastic individual dog times over the weekend, and I'm sure a few personal bests were achieved.

We had a few errors along the way which made it all the more interesting for handlers and spectators alike, with some handlers who will remain nameless, forgetting which order their dogs were running in and accidentally sending 2 dogs down the lane at the same time – with both dogs trying to get to the box first!

The competition was an extremely close one, with 7 of the 9 divisions having under 1 second between the top of the division and the bottom. It was so close that at the end of the 2 days racing there were numerous teams across most divisions that had tied for various placing's. Thus we needed to have quite a few Run Off's.



Division 6 had a 3 way tie for 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and at the end of the run offs all 3 teams were still tied, causing another round of run off's. As you can imagine it made for a very long day!

Division Winners for the 2010 Supercoat Flyball Nationals are as follows:

- Division 1: Norwest Thunderdogs 1 (NSW) with a fastest time of 17.684
- Division 2: Southern Cross Pulsar (NSW) with a fastest time of 18.908
- Division 3: Berwick Bladerunners (Vic) with a fastest time of 20.307
- Division 4: T-Keilor Shots (Vic) with a fastest time of 21.629
- Division 5: Croydon Rocket Cosmonauts (Vic) with a fastest time of 21.263
- Division 6: Southern Cross Constellations (NSW) with a fastest time of 21.969
- Division 7: Bellarine Baysiders (Vic) with a fastest time of 24.241
- Division 8: Belconnen Chocolate Bullets (ACT) with a fastest time of 25.046
- Division 9: Western Weiner Corn Dogs (Vic) with a fastest time of 26.217

Congratulations to all the Division winners for 2010 and to all the competitors for a great 2 days of flyball racing despite the weather.

Special thanks must go to the following -

Ian Kendt for designing and setting up the layout of the rings, hand making the box loader trophies and the million and one other jobs he did leading up to and over the weekend. (also for putting up with a constantly stressed wife)

Ula Tourloupis for the design of her computer package that enabled us to run two rings with minimal clashes

Ken Pennington for being our ring caller. Ken had never done anything like this before and did a fantastic job.

Our great Judges – Ian Kendt, Emma la Cras, Ian Gauntlett, Steve Pitt, Sue Norton and Trent Shepherd.

Our great Timekeepers – Stephen Pearson, Andrew Metha, Trevor Nicholls, Helen Gauntlett, Sally Lea and everyone who helped out in this role over the weekend

Our great Rep's – Richard Mellon and Jenny Millar

Our supervisory Judge – Eric van Zuyden

Ula parents, Keith and Geoff Brown who did a great job co-ordinating the folders and getting them to the correct rings on time.

Shaun O'Shea, Mark Charles, John Sampson, Chris Moore, Penny Lloyd, for all their hard work setting up the rings.

Shaun O'Shea for running my dog on the Saturday so that I could concentrate on the competition itself.

France Cox who worked tirelessly collecting and organising the raffle prizes

Stephanie Cox for her time and support in designing the catalogue

Pauline Sampson who sat there all weekend selling our Merchandise and Raffle tickets

Ted Draude, Mark Farrell and Stephen Pearson who cooked us the bacon and egg breakfast

John Lennox and Steve Pitt who constantly kept the competitors and spectators up to date with their spruiking

All of the BODC members who came along to help with stewarding and various other jobs

The Dandenong Agricultural and Pastoral Society for giving us such a great venue to host the nationals

The Dandenong Netball Association for their wonderful lunches over the two days

The Dandenong West Cricket Club for the use of their pavilion.



Sponsors

Gold -

Supercoat was an extremely generous major sponsor, providing trophies for 1st Place, product prizes for all competitors, raffle prizes, as well as providing hampers and funds for our Judges and officials. The equipment they provided made the event look very professional and spectacular.





Berwick Obedience Dog Club Newsletter



Silver

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Dogs Life Magazine provided a current edition magazine for every competitor as well as doing a feature article on the 2010 Flyball Nationals which is due to come out early in 2011.
Silver Eagle Outfitters provided a cooling neck tie to all competitors who came first.
Pakenham Pet and Produce provided a leash for all competitors who came second.
Pooches n Cream provided dog shampoo for all competitors who came third.



Bronze

— Houndbags, Silver Eagle Outfitters, Pegasus Pet Products, Best Friends Dog Shop, Pet Homes & Accessories, Shop 9 Pet Accessories, Mars Pet Grooming Products, Aussie Agility, Animal Management Systems, Dymark, Goochy's Natural, Anti-Cancer Council, Woof Pur Nay Veterinary Hospital, Studio Sebastian, Personal Pet

On a more personal note, I would like to thank everyone involved with the 2010 Supercoat National Flyball Championships. It was the biggest event I have ever (and am likely to ever) co-ordinate. It took a lot of time and effort, but with the wonderful support I had from the Berwick Flyball Racing Teams as well as the Berwick Obedience Dog Club itself, I feel that we did ourselves proud. I really enjoyed meeting the various people I had been speaking to and emailing over the past 18 months, it is always nice to put a face to a name or voice. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves, in spite of the rain, and went home feeling proud of their achievements.

We look forward to seeing you all again at the 2011 Nationals.

Regards

Nicole Kendt
Berwick Obedience Flyball Co-Ordinator

AGILITY



Frequently Asked Questions



Training times for 2011:

11.45 – 12.00
set up area

12.00 – 12.20
Preparation skills

12.20 – 12.35
equipment set up

12.35– 12.55
Handler and dog skills

12.55– 1.10
Instructor training

1.10–1.30
Course work

1.30–1.45
pack up

Introduction

The first documented agility "demonstration" was held at Crufts in the late '70s. The demonstration's creator borrowed from police and defence force dogs' training, and from horse showjumping. By 1980 it was recognised officially as a "dog sport" in the UK, and expanded rapidly to the US, Canada, Europe and Australia. The object is for the dog to negotiate a "course" of obstacles without fault, with the placings decided on the fastest times for a clear run.

What are the obstacles?

Jumps : Tyres, bar jumps. spreads & broad jumps

Tunnels: eg flexi

Contacts:

- A-frame (steep ascent/descent)
- Dog walk (shallower ascent, long straight plank, shallower descent)
- See-saw (up, tip, down)

Table: (on, pause, off)

Weave poles:

Set of poles, usually 12, set at an even distance. The dog has to weave through each gap to negotiate the next pole on the other side.

When can I start my dog?

It is generally accepted that a dog shouldn't start over obstacles until they are at least 12 months old, and not do excessive "work" until they are 18 months to 2 years. However teaching the dog to negotiate obstacles (with the exception of the weavers and sometimes the contacts) is usually the easy part – directing the dog around the course is the difficult bit. The "foundation" training which will lead to both handler and dog learning the directional cues can begin at any age.

I'd like to do agility, but I don't think I would ever compete?

Many of our class participants at Berwick do it for their own and their dog's enjoyment, while others do participate in trials. Even if you are doing it "just for fun" your dog will enjoy it a lot more if you can be clear and consistent with your "cues" so classes are structured to give you those skills whether you wish to trial or not.





Frequently Asked Questions continued.

How high will my dog have to jump?

Each course in a trial is run at 5 different heights, the height at which a dog runs depends on their height at the shoulder. To trial you have to have an "official" measurement, but for club purposes we will do an informal measurement and your dog won't be expected to jump beyond their "official" height. However when you start jumps are very low to encourage confidence in the dog.

Can any type/size of dog come to class?

Yes. More important is that the dog is physically sound, healthy and not overweight.

How often would I have to train my dog?

Like any training with your dog little and often is the best formula. If you can spend 10-15 minutes 4 to 5 times a week it will be enough to progress.

Will I need my own equipment?

Everyone starts with no equipment. If you enjoy the training you will probably want to construct some basic equipment – jumps and weave poles can be fairly easily "created". If you become more serious you may wish to purchase some equipment, or if you have the resources, to make it. For most people regular training at club combined with some "home built" equipment is enough to reach reasonable skill levels – many of the skills are developing handling skills which can be done without sophisticated obstacles.

**Agility is fun
for both
members of
the team**

What are the requirements to join the class?

To start participating in the Pre agility class your dog must be in at least "Yellow" class and be able to work with a "loose lead". You must start you start with a "Preparations skills – pre-agility" class which will give you exercises to practice with your dog to prepare it for agility, you are welcome to bring any dog over 6 months to a foundation class. (This requirement may be waived if you have completed a similar



Resources on line:

There are many sites that you can visit the following are just a few.

http://www.cleanrun.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=category.display&category_id=447

<http://www.clickerdogs.com/>

<http://www.dogagility.ca/cartoons.php>





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.



Are you interested in competing in trials with your dog?

If you would like to book in for a run through in one of our trial rings, here's how!

Come to club early and put your name and dogs name down on the sheet on the table outside the trial rings. Put down which trial class you are doing. The first trial class is called CCD. (The dog stays on lead except for the recall) You must have your name down before 2pm.

Advanced / Instructors 1pm to 2.30 pm

Stays at 2.30 pm

Beginners i.e. CCD / Novice 2.45pm to 3.45 pm

Be ready to go in when it's your turn. If you are not there, the next dog will be called. Everything stops at 2:30 for the ring stays.

Ring training will only be held if sufficient instructors are available





REMEMBER TO CALL YOUR DOG
EVERY 90 SECONDS

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
- * No young children permitted in the area.



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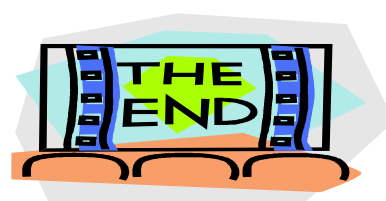
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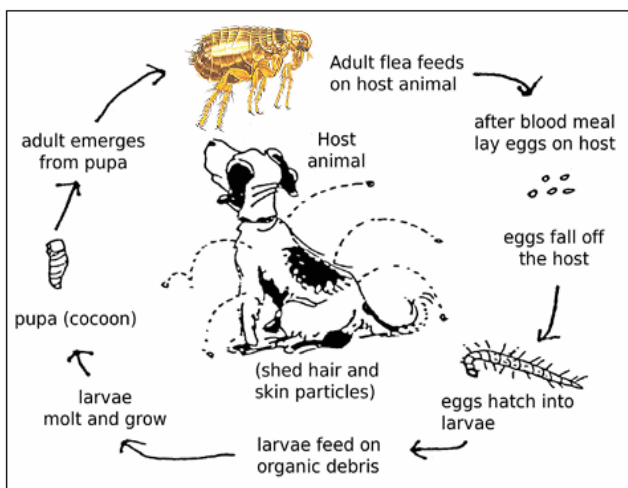
Limit of ONE coupon per customer

Want to go to the Drive In

Great Gift Idea!!!!!!



The Dog Club is offering **Family Passes** to the Dandenong Lunar Drive In for just **\$25**. Please note it is for the first session only. To purchase your pass please ask at the office. The ticket is for a car load (as many as you can in your car in a safe fashion) and you can take your dog.



How much is that doggy in the window?

Did you know that the BODC has a great shop?

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

Hours: 12.30pm—4.00pm

Why not come in and check us out for your obedience training, agility, flyball and trialling gear needs.



The club shop has on sale Advocate, Revolution & Sentinel Flea products way below Vet and

Berwick Obedience Dog Club Members Price List

ADVOCATE

4 to 10 KG	\$50.00 (3pk)	Exp 07/2012
10.1 to 25 KG	\$53.00 (3pk)	Exp 05/2012
	\$92.00 (6pk)	Exp 02/2012
OVER 25 KG	\$55.00 (3pk)	Exp 06/2011
	\$99.00 (6pk)	Exp 05/2012

REVOLUTION

5.1 to 10 KG	\$46.00 (3pk)	Exp 08/2011
	\$80.00 (6pk)	Exp 05/2011
10.1 to 20 KG	\$49.00 (3pk)	Exp 03/2012
	\$83.00 (6pk*)	Exp 03/2012
20.1 to 40 KG	\$50.00 (3pk)	Exp 01/2011
	\$92.00 (6pk*)	Exp 02/2012

SENTINEL

4 to 11 KG	\$77.00 (6pk)	Exp 07/2012
11 to 22 KG	\$82.00 (6pk)	Exp 09/2012
22 to 45 KG	\$87.00 (6pk)	Exp 07/2012

*Includes Bonus Canex Wormer

(PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

We stock a great range including:

- Leads
 - Leather, nylon
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- Collars
 - Snub
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 - 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. windcheaters, vests & beanies to keep warm in the colder months!)
Club travel mugs (no more spilling drinks!)

SHOP SPECIALS

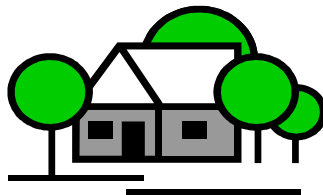
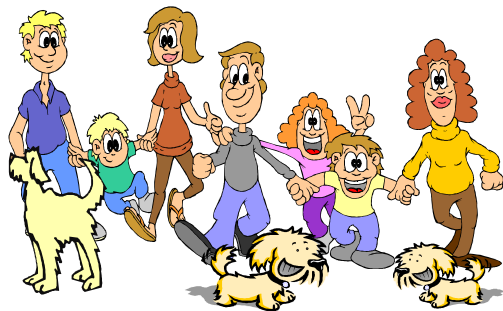
Dog Treats for training (from 50c/ bag)
Selected in store specials



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



Berwick Obedience Dog Club Newsletter



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North.
Victoria 3804

Melways Map 108 Ref. E8

<http://www.berwickodc.asn.au>

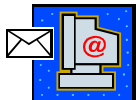
New members will be enrolled on the
first (1st) Saturday of each month from
12.30pm

Please bring along your dog's current
vaccination certificate.

CONTACT US AT:

Berwick Obedience Dog
Club, P.O. Box 23,
Narre Warren North 3804
Phone 9796-9496

berwickodc@fastmail.fm



CAR PARKING

If the Car park is full, please park on the hill between the
Football Ground and the Dog Club, Parking on the street is
NOT allowed, as it is illegal to do so!!!!

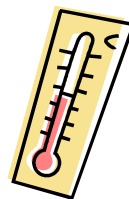


Parking on the grassy hill is available if the oval is not in use.

"WHEN THE CLUB IS CLOSED"

REMEMBER:- When the predicted high temperature on the Friday evening news is
greater than or equal to 30c the club is closed.

***** PLEASE ALWAYS CHECK THE NEWSLETTER, NOTICEBOARDS & WEBSITE FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION*****



Labour Day Weekend - Sat 12th March 2011
Easter Weekend - Sat 23rd April 2011
Queens Birthday Weekend - Sat 11th June 2011
AFL Grand Final Day - Sat 1st Oct 2011
Melbourne Cup Weekend - Sat 29th October 2011

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR BREAK 2011/2012
CLUB CLOSED - AFTER OUR XMAS FUN DAY DEC 3rd DEC 2011
& WILL RE-OPEN SAT 4TH FEB 2012



Training Times

OBEDIENCE

1.30pm to 2.15pm - Beginners & Red,
2.45pm to 3.45pm - Yellow, Pink, Green & Blue
Trial Rings 1pm - 2:30pm Advanced/Instructors
Names must be entered on sheet by 2pm
Ring stays at 2:30
2:45 - 3:45 New to Trialling

FLYBALL

Team Training: 11.30am — 12.15pm
Intermediate: 12.15pm — 12.45pm
2 Beginner Sessions: 1.00 pm — 1.30pm
1.30pm - 2.00 pm

Please Note: Fly ball will only be held if instructors
are available on the day.

AGILITY

From 11.45 am 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
agility course **MUST EITHER** have their **DOG**
placed in a crate or left in the car.

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.



Berwick Obedience Dog Club Newsletter



THE COMMITTEE

President - Stephen Pearson

Vice-President - Barry Cotton

Secretary - Melissa Scott

Treasurer - Daryl Scott

Committee Members 2009/10

Annette White

Chris Moore

Fiona Kelly

Paul Percival

Ted Draude

Glenda Smith

KITCHEN - Lorraine Jack

OFFICE STAFF - Annette White, Daryl Scott,

Glenda Smith, Fiona Kelly, Tracey Gaffney

GROUND STAFF - Mark Farrell, Ted Draude



THE INSTRUCTORS

OBEDIENCE

"c" Currently Instructing

Ron Blanchfield "c"

Julie Colman

Sharon Deeker "c"

Ted Draude "c"

Philip Gates "c"

Ti-li Finn "c"

Denise Bailey

Laura Brown "c"

Alan MacDonald "c"

Cheryl Blanchfield

Bernie Gaffney

Tracey Gaffney

Alex McLaughlin "c"

Colin Newman "c"

Julie Pocknee "c"

Karon Satchwell "c"

Wayne Satchwell "c"

Lisa Sinclair "c"

Carla Thomas "c"

Paul Percival "c"

Andrea Schmidt "c"

Susan Scott "c"

Lara Wilson "c"

Ivan Robinson "c"



FLY BALL

Nicole Kendt

Erin Chalmers

Gordon Chalmers

Kirsten Brown

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Barry Cotton



CLUB RULE IN REGARDS TO HIGH TEMP. (Ground rule 14)

When the predicted high temperature on the Friday evening news (6pm)

is greater than or equal to 30 degrees Celsius the club is not open.

PLEASE NOTE:-

*** If for some reason the temperature changes on Saturday to below 30 degrees, the club will still remain closed as its too hard to organize

Instructors etc at such short notice***

BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.



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EVENTS.

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April-May

June-July-August

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...Wayne & Karon Satchwell

Ps . Don't forget to check out your Newsletter in full color at

<http://www.berwickodc.asn.au>

