## BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB K&G-AUGUST TO OCTOBER 2015

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## Special General Meeting September 2015

When: Saturday 5th September

Where: Berwick Obedience Club Rooms

Time: 4.00 PM

There is a special general meeting being held to consider the following motion:

That the club suspend the current Heat policy over the 2015/16 summer period and trial the following:-

Normal training will cease when the temperature on the grounds reaches 32 degrees When the temperature reaches 32 degrees a revised training programme of suitable activities AND relevant advice will replace regular training

Discussion:-

The current heat policy has been criticized by many members who feel that:-

It has caused training to be cancelled in instances where it has not been necessary 30 degrees is too low a figure

That cancelling training is an overreaction and that further education is the correct response

Other members feel that the current policy is the correct response to high temperatures as it was developed over time, in conjunction/consultation with vets and that it is in the best interest of all concerned.

Clearly, there are several opinions here and a quick web search reveals that the so called scientific community has differing opinions, so what should the club do?

What do you think?

The committee will hold a special general meeting on For the not so meeting orientated members, consider the motion a starting point - amendments can be moved, questions can be asked, discussion will be had and opinions will be heard!

Come along, be part of the decision and have your say or listen to the arguments and make up your own mind!

## Presidents Report August 2015

First off a big thank you to Lynda and Holly (and all the other helpers) for holding such a smooth running and successful Obedience Trial on the 17<sup>th</sup> May. Congratulations to all our members who entered and to the ones that came away with passes.

Wishing a full recovery to two of our mainstay helpers Alex and Nick after your recent trips to hospital (maybe a yellow bandana for you both).

We currently have some trainee instructors out on the grounds at the moment, please help them out as much as you can. All our wonderful instructors are volunteers and it is always nice to add extra instructors and their skills to our team.

The half of the ground that Council has had drainage installed is holding up very well and we will keep applying for the drainage works to be completed on the other half to enable the off lead exercise areas to be used all year round.

With the colder wetter weather don't forget that putting in a pair of gumboots and a few dog towels in the car now can save some clean up time later.

As a guide as to what to wear or bring to training, have a look at what the instructors are wearing or if in class see who is still smiling long after you have cold wet feet.

Winter can be a good time to train as the class sizes can be smaller.

Look up, not down - that way you will be able to see who you are going to walk into.

Stephen

President

## FUTURE SIGN UP DAYS-2015

29th August 26th September 7th November

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.



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When the predicted high temperature on the Friday evening news is greater or equal to 30 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





Want to contribute to the newsletter -E Mail to newsletter@berwickodc.asn.au

#### **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 (Öfficial 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.



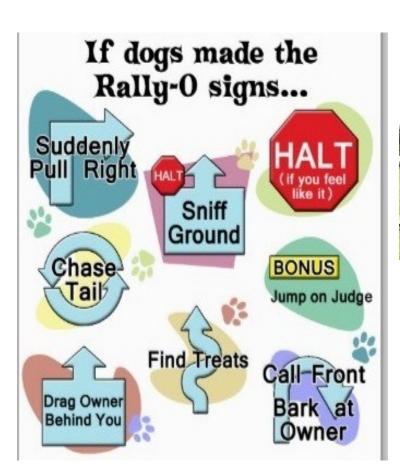
\*\*\*"CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR" BREAK 2015/2016 CLUB CLOSED—After the Christmas Break Up on 12th December 2015. Club will RE -OPEN SATURDAY 6th February 2016.

## CAR PARK NG

PLEASE NOTE IF THE CAR PARK IS FULL, PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE STREET. AS IT IS ILLEGAL TO DO SO IIII IF THE FOOTBALL IS NOT on, then please park ON THE HILL









## ASE 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 Alex Ted Julie Philip Ivan Sharon Karon Ti-Li Wayne Laura Lisa Paul Carla Alan Susan Melissa Ingrid Lara Graeme Colin Don Stephen Heather Andrea





#### **FLYBALL** RINGS **AGILITY**

Belinda Paul Gordon Janet **HELPERS** Chris M Ula Monique Matt

Stephen Kris Linda **HELPERS** Hollie Janet

Barry

RALLY O Nick Susan

### THE COMMITTEE 2014/15

President - Stephen Vice-President - Ron Secretary - Glenda Treasurer - Annette

Committee Members 2014/15

Sharon Belinda Peta Janet Courtenay vacant



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



## 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, wirdcheaters, 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.



## Fastest Dog In Australia

On the 17<sup>th</sup> May, the Yarra Valley Whippet Club ran a "Fastest dog in Australia" 100m lure race.

There were a few BODC members who attended and we recently found out the Australia wide results (now that all the states had submitted their results) and we had some fantastic times. Paul Percival's Lab  $\times$  Ebon won the large veterans unregistered dog category with a time of 8.16 seconds.

Belinda O'Shea's Frankie won her category with a time of 8.50, and Sunny Day and Mellissa Curtis' lab came  $4^{th}$  in her category with a time of 9.15 and Monique Smith's Amstaff  $\times$  Buddy came  $8^{th}$  in large unregistered category with a time of 8.01 seconds.

All of these dogs beat Usain Bolt's record time of 9.58 seconds for the 100m sprint!









## Do You Enjoy A Great Coffee??

Adam from Charisma Coffee Vans will be at the club every Saturday. Come and enjoy a cappuccino, short black, hot chocolate or tea. A donation is made to club on all sales made.















**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.

## Disc Dogs Demonstration Day **20th June 2015**















## Yellow Bamianas

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.





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## 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.



## Members Are you able to Help??

WANTED someone with a small bobcat or dingo. We have a small pile of dirt to be moved and spread and a couple of small holes dug ready for concrete slabs to be prepared. If you are able to assist, please contact the club office.









REMEMBER TO CALL YOUR DOG EVERY 90 SECONDS



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

- 1. No bitch in season is permitted on or near the training grounds.
- 2. No dogs allowed on the ground without a leash, unless under the supervision of an instructor.
  - 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.
- 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.
- The committee may require a dog to be muzzled whilst on the club's grounds & in the car park if it has bitten 11. 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.
- No training will be held if Saturday's predicted high temperature on Friday evening is greater than or equal 14. to 30°C. (Amended to include 'on Friday evening' October 2005, Amended to '30°C' February 2008)
- 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.
  - The tractor is to be immobilized when parked outside the shed (b)
- 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)
  - Do not enter the area when a class is in progress (a)
  - (b) Eight dog maximum limit
  - (c) (d) Members must consult those in the ring before entering
  - Five minute maximum stay when others waiting
  - Any dog showing any sign of aggression must be immediately removed
  - All dogs must wear a collar
  - All handlers must carry a leash and a plastic bag
  - Dogs to be under constant supervision
  - (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) No children under 12 years to enter the area
  - All dogs to be recalled regularly
  - No toys or balls in the off leash area during club hours.
  - **(I)** 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. Eq. No thongs or High Heels.
- 21. No unattended dogs are to be left in the Clubrooms.

## Looking for a New Home—Can you Help??

Breed—Brittany—Name Lyle is a 11 month old Desexed Male vaccinated registered with VCA. Has had extensive obedience training. Heel work to music lessons and 4 foundation Agility lessons. Toilet and house trained, lives inside. He sits, drops, stands, has a good recall, retrieves the dumbbell, and a reasonable stay.

Please contact Cynthia 0417 339 187

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### HOT FOOD

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## HOT DRINKS

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### COLD DRINKS

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FANTA \$2.00
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LEMON LIME MINERAL WATER \$2.50
APPLE & RASPBERRY MINERAL WATER
\$2.50
WATER \$1.50
ORGANE JUICE \$2.50
ICE TEA (VARIETY) \$3.00





## 2015 BODC - RUZZIC'S FLYBALL AWARDS

The flyballers had a fantastic night for their Ruzzie's award, good food and lots of laughs.

Congratulations to Monique Smith, Cody & Ana on winning the 2015 Ruzzies, what a great first year!

And also to Dave Chalmers and Becky on their well deserved 2nd place and Janet Fryand Shaddow on their very close 3rd.

Congrats (or commiserations!) to Paul Percival on his 2nd win of the GC Early cross award with 21 early crosses, very closely followed by Matt Haines on 20, surprise surprise! And then Zane and Frankie on equal 14! (think Monique may have had something to do with a few of those lol)

Massive thanks to our fantastic announcer Melissa Scott who did an awesome job as usual!



## 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.









Kitchen



Office