

DOG TAILS



For Dogs That Dig The Juiciest News

October 2010 Newsletter

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Presidents Welcome

Hello everyone

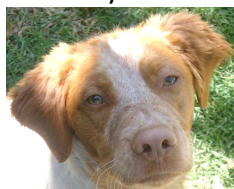
Well, we are almost at the end of another extremely successful year for our dog club with all the obedience and agility trials being done and dusted and the final class intakes having been completed last week. To our new members who have joined us recently, a big welcome and to those of you who have stuck with us throughout the year, my heartfelt thanks goes out to you. Our club couldn't exist without its members. We've had an extremely successful trialling year this year with many fantastic interstate judges not only coming up to judge but generously impart their experience and knowledge. Our Novice classes this year were bigger than times in recent memory which is so encouraging for the sport of agility but also just as pleasing is that many of those dogs that started out the year in Novice have ended the year in the Excellent class...well done to those dog and handler teams!

It's been great to see a consistent and strong monthly intake for our pet dog training classes and my aim, as always, is to send well mannered dogs and well educated owners back into the community.

Until next time, may the hounds

be with you, 

**Sarah & Cooper the
Brittany**



Club Notices

Fundraising Help

We have the opportunity for several important fundraising events coming up over the next month or so and we are looking for volunteers to help us out, even if it's only for a few hours.

Sat – 23rd October

BBQ, Robbie Robbins Reserve

Sat – 30th October

BBQ, Bunning Palmerston

Wed – 24th Nov, 1st Dec, 8th Dec, 15th Dec, 22nd Dec

Raffle, Casuarina Club

If you can help us for just one of these dates please let us know either at classes or on email.

New Club email address

training@fppdt.org.au

Cadbury Chocolates

Can you sell Chocolates at your workplace? Selling Cadbury chocolates provides vital fundraising dollars for the club. If you can help us out please contact Sarah on 0417 773 095.

Dog Tails

Do you have a joke or article that you would like to see in Dog Tails? Do you have a business that you would like to advertise in Dog Tails? Or a topic you want to find out more about? You can email it to the Cele at ctstone@bigpond.net.au or the club email address training@fppdt.org.au or post it (PO Box is found at the top of Dog Tails) and it should appear in next month's issue.

Training for 2010

There are no new intakes left for 2010 for either Tuesday Obedience or Thursday Agility classes.

The last Tuesday for Obedience classes will be 30th November (also our end of year Xmas party)

The last Thursday for Agility classes will be 28th October

Training for 2011

The first intake for Tuesday Obedience classes for 2011 is planned for February 1st, 2011

The first intake for Thursday Agility Classes for 2011 is planned for March 3rd, 2011

Of course, don't forget the rule:

If it's Raining, there's no Training!

And if in doubt call Sarah on 0417 773 095

Thanks to our kind Sponsors:

Top Agility Dog Award

Ain't Misbehaving
Positive Pet Dog Training
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- ★ *Classes or Private Tuition*
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Cele runs classes, in home training and consults for problem behaviours. Cele sells Black Dog Bait Bags, natural treats & chews and colourful dog leads.

Top Trialling Dog Award

Daphne is the local supplier for Blackdog collars, leads and harnesses and she also runs Puppy Preschool for pups from 8 to 16 weeks of age on Wednesday evenings in Palmerston. Please contact her for further details.

POSITIVE K-9 TRAINING
GENTLE MODERN DOG TRAINING
Basic, puppy and advanced classes



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Top Obedience Dog Award

Catherine is a qualified groomer who treats her clients to five star pampering at her Plush Pets salon which is open 7 days a week. Catherine only uses natural, environmentally friendly products which are hand made by a naturopath.



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Top End Lost & Found

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Why We're So Positive About Positive Training Methods

We've come so far since those dark days just over a decade ago when virtually all dog training was accomplished through the use of force and compulsion. We know those days well; we were quite skilled at giving collar corrections with choke chains and attained several high-scoring obedience titles with our dogs using those methods.

Trainers, behaviourists, and dog owners are realizing that this is more than just a philosophical difference, or a conflict between an ethic that says we should be nice to animals versus a more utilitarian approach to training. While both methods can produce well-trained dogs, the end result is also significantly different. With positive training, the goal is to develop a dog who thinks and works cooperatively with his human as part of a team, rather than a dog who simply obeys commands.



One criticism of positive training is that the dogs are spoiled and out of control because, while the dogs are highly reinforced for doing good stuff, no one ever tells them what not to do. "Dogs," the critics say, "must know there are consequences for inappropriate behaviours."

We don't disagree with this statement. Positive does not mean permissive. We just have different ideas about the necessary nature of the negative consequence. When one is needed, positive trainers are most likely to use "negative punishment" (taking away a good thing), rather than "positive punishment" (the application of a bad thing). As an adjunct to that, we counsel the generous use of management to prevent the dog from practicing (and getting rewarded for) undesirable behaviours.



The result? Since all living things repeat behaviours that are rewarding, and those behaviours that aren't rewarded extinguish (go away), the combination of negative punishment and management creates a well-trained dog at least as easily as harsh or painful corrections and without the very real potential for relationship damage that is created by the use of physical punishment.

One of the most significant reasons for not using physical punishment or force with dogs is the potential for eliciting or exacerbating aggressive behaviours from them.

The most rewarding and exciting part of training for us is watching the dawning awareness on a dog's face that he controls the consequences of his behaviour, and that he can elicit good stuff from his trainer by offering certain behaviours. We never, ever, experienced that in the "old days." We used to take "sit" for granted, because if the dog didn't sit when we asked, we made him do it.



Today, we never get over the thrill of that moment when the dog understands, for the first time, that he can make the clicker "Click!" (and receive a treat) simply by choosing to sit. It keeps training eternally fresh and exciting. 🐾

Source "The Whole Dog Journal"

For the Record

Dog & Handler # *Passes*

AGILITY

AGILITY - Open 5

Ray & Inca 4

AGILITY - Masters 7

Lyn & Milo 5

Ray & Inca 2

AGILITY - Excellent 5

Fiona & Ellie 2

Kirsten & Lucy 2

Nicolle & Trey 2

Trevor & Mac 1

AGILITY - Novice 3

Cele & Poppy 2

Kerrie & Finder 1

Kirsten & Cooch 2

Mandy & Ellie-mac 2

JUMPING

JUMPING - Open 5

Fiona & Ellie 1

Lucy & Shady 1

Nicole & Trey 1

JUMPING - Masters 7

Lyn & Milo 3

Nicolle & Trey 1

Ray & Inca 4

Trevor & Mac 2

JUMPING - Excellent 5

Fiona & Ellie 3

Kirsten & Lucy 2

Lucy & Shady 2

Mandy & Ellie-mac 1

Sarah & Milly 3

JUMPING - Novice 3

Alexandria & Keter 2

Alexandria & Zeus 2

Chavonne & Blaze 2

Daphne & Gemma 2

Heather & Juba 2

Kirsten & Cooch 1

Marion & Frigga 1

Michael & Jazz 1

GAMES

GAMBLERS - Novice 3

Chavonne & Blaze 1

Kirsten & Lucy 1

Maike & Gizzy 1

Nicolle & Trey 1

Tanya & Schooner 1

GAMBLERS - Excellent 5

Fiona & Ellie 4

GAMBLERS - Masters 7

Sarah & Cooper 1

SNOOKER - Novice 3

Cele & J 1

Daphne & Star 2

Kerrie & Finder 1

Kirsten & Cooch 2

Kirsten & Lucy 1

Michael & Sara 2

Nicolle & Trey 1

Tanya & Schooner 1

SNOOKER - Excellent 5

Fiona & Ellie 2

Lucy & Shady 1

Ray & Inca 4

Sarah & Cooper 3

STRATEGIC PAIRS - Excellent 5

Fiona & Ellie 3

Ray & Inca 3

STRATEGIC PAIRS - Novice 3

Cele & Jazz 1

Kerrie & Finder 2

Mandy & Ellie-mac 2

Nicolle & Trey 2

OBEDIENCE

Open (Companion Dog Excellent)

Sarah & Cooper 2

Novice (Companion Dog)

Marion & Frigga 2

Maike & Gizzy 1

Titles Earned In 2010

Obedience

COMMUNITY COMPANION DOG

Maike & Gizmo

NOVICE (Companion Dog)

Ray & Inca

OPEN (Companion Dog Excellent)

Fiona & Ellie

Titles Earned In 2010

AGILITY - Open

Sarah & Cooper

AGILITY - Excellent

Alexandria & Boof

Ray & Inca

Sarah & Cooper

AGILITY - Novice

Alexandria & Keter

Cele & J

Lucy &

Marshall

Marion &

Frigga

Nicolle & Trey

Sarah & Milly

JUMPING - Open

Sarah & Cooper

Ray & Inca

Trevor & Mac

JUMPING – Masters

Sarah & Cooper

JUMPING – Excellent

Nicolle & Trey

JUMPING – Novice

Cele & J

Kerrie & Finder

Mandy & Ellie-mac

Maike & Gizmo

Sarah & Milly

Tanya & Schooner

EXCELLENT GAMBLERS

Ray & Inca

NOVICE GAMBLERS

Sarah & Milly

NOVICE SNOOKER

Fiona & Ellie

Sarah & Milly

NOVICE STRATEGIC PAIRS

Sarah & Milly

2010 Trialler's Graduation - Presentations and Awards Night



Awards include:

- 🐾 Title Sashes
- 🐾 Achievement Certificates
- 🐾 Top Agility Dog Award
- 🐾 Top Trialling Dog Award
- 🐾 Top Obedience Dog (CCD, CD & CDX)


When: Thursday 25th November,

Time: 7pm

Where: Dressage grounds shed
Fred's Pass Reserve

Bring: A Plate of food to share
(Tea, Coffee and Cake will be provided)





Fred's Pass Positive Dog Training
invites you (and your owner) to our

Christmas Party



Where: Fred's Pass Reserve

When: 7pm, Tuesday 30th November 2010

Bring: Please bring a plate of food to share

Wear: Dress-up in your best Christmas outfit, this applies to people as well as dogs. There will be prizes for best costume!

Do: Fun, Games & Prizes and a visit from Santa Paws!



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**WE NEED DONATIONS
FOR OUR**

CHRISTMAS HAMPER

**TO BE RAFFLED OFF AT THIS YEARS
CHRISTMAS PARTY TO BE HELD ON**

TUESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2010

**ANY DONATION FOR OUR
BASKET WOULD BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED BUT WE ARE
ESPECIALLY LOOKING FOR
DOG TOYS, DOG TREATS,
CHRISTMAS BISCUITS,
CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS,
LOLLIES, CHOCOLATES
AND ANYTHING ELSE
CHRIST-MASSY!**

THANKYOU!

