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MUDTC Newsletter



This Newsletter is produced to provide information about Club events and member happenings. If you have any interesting stories or photos please email them to me or provide hard copy to me at Sunday training.

Regards
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Merry Christmas



Important news

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President's Message

Our final Newsletter for 2011 is a great opportunity to look back over what has been an action packed year. Our Club has been involved in a variety of events during the year, and we are extremely fortunate to have dedicated members with high levels of expertise in the various training disciplines, who are happy to share their knowledge with Club members.

The Club gave professional demos at many events and these demonstrations showcase our Club to the general public. I would like to personally thank the organisers and team members for their hard work in putting together such varied and interesting events for the public.

Our Mudd on the Paws Flyball team has had a fantastic year, with its greatest moment being winning the 2nd Division in the National Championships. The team has done so well this year the Club has had to build a special shelf to showcase all their trophies.

I am aware of at least five Club members who have achieved formal Obedience or Agility Titles with their

dogs this year, and also several members who have had great results in formal competition, and I congratulate them all. I make special mention of Diane who achieved a Jumping Title with her dog Lady this year to add to her Agility Title. All members would appreciate the time and dedication which Chief Instructor Diane gives to the Dog Club, and sometimes this means that she does not have as much time to devote to training her own dogs. It is a great credit to Diane that she has now achieved the formal title Crama Lady of the Lake A.D J.D. FD CH (Agility Dog; Jumping Dog; Flyball Dog Champion) with her Australian Kelpie "Lady".



Of course, not all our members compete at a formal level, but have still had the opportunity to take part in the Club's own Obedience and Agility competitions, with great

success. I was pleased to judge several of the events in the Novice competition this year and to see the great work done by so many of our handlers and their dogs. A lot of behind the scenes work goes on in our Club to organise all the various events and manage the day to day running of the Club and my sincere thanks go to all our committee members for their continued contribution to Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club.

With the training year coming to an end I do hope you have had a great time with your dog at training classes during 2011 and I look forward to seeing many of you at our end of year Awards and Christmas Party on 11 December.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all

Regards, President Natalie



STOP PRESS

Sundays 13 November & 4 December we share the Showground with Horse Events



Please drive slowly around the Showground – Dogs may run across the roadway



Please remember to wear your name badge to training class



Don't forget to show Your Discount card When making Purchases at our Sponsor Budget Produce Ulladulla

Flyball Competition

Our Club's MUDD on the Paws Flyball team is holding another exciting flyball event on Saturday 5 November at Lions Park Burrill Lake.

If members want to see some great action entertainment come along and see the Club's dogs racing against teams from Canberra, Wollongong and Dapto.

The Club's Team is very grateful to sponsors, Purina Dog Foods, Mark and Cathy Sommerville of Budget Produce, Bill and Tina of Brill Café and Andrew of IGA Burrill Lake who has donated a \$50 voucher as a prize in a guessing competition.

If anyone is able to assist on the day please phone Diane on 4454 0171 or email the Club at info@mudtc.org.au with your details. Any help will be very much appreciated.

Margaret Rudd & Tessa Agility Competition

The final event of this year's competition will be held on Sunday 13 November prior to training. Entrants are asked to be at the Showground by 7am in time to walk the course prior to competition.

Best wishes to everyone taking part.

A reminder that the Ulladulla District Riders will be holding their final event of the year on the 13th so please do not park north of the Agility ring and be especially careful with your dog around the horses.

Demonstrations

Demonstrations are planned on the 17 November at the Showground for Sarah Claydon residents and on 24 November at Lake Conjola for clients of Meals on Wheels.



Club Christmas Party



Yes, it is that time of year again! Our Club Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 11 December at Milton Showground from 9am.

The party starts with a half hour training session, followed by the presentation of Club Awards while we enjoy morning tea.

Then there will be time for some fun party games with our dogs before we have a BBQ at about 11.30am.



All members and their immediate family members are welcome to attend. There is no charge for training on the day, or for the party but we would like to know numbers so we can cater for the BBQ. We also ask that members provide food to go with the sausage BBQ and Cheryl will have a list at the counter to enter names, numbers attending and your food contribution, so please see her over the next few weeks, and by the 27 November at the latest.

This year guessing competition tickets will only be sold on the day of the party, so please bring your money with you. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5, and as always there will be some great prizes.



Agility Workshop – Sunday 8th January 2012



Club Members with dogs that are able to negotiate most agility equipment, are invited to attend an Agility Workshop run by Natalie Winter to be held on Sunday 8 January 2012. The workshop will run from 8am to 1pm at a cost of \$20 each.

Natalie is a member of the Australian team going to the World Championships for the Agility Dog Association of Australia (ADAA) and has heaps of experience running Cavalier King Charles Spaniels and German Koolies.

This is a wonderful opportunity to improve your handling skills for agility from an experienced handler and great teacher.

Please contact Rosie Milton to register your interest in attending this Workshop. Rosie can be contacted via email rosiem45@bordernet.com.au or you can see her at Sunday training classes.



Parasitic Worms a Message from the RSPCA

Parasitic worms can afflict dogs, cats and other animals. The outcome of an infected animal ranges from fatigue and diarrhoea right through to death.

The RSPCA says some of the worms to be wary of include:

Heartworm: Spread by mosquito bites, symptoms include difficulty breathing, coughing, fatigue, listlessness and weight loss.

Hookworms: Symptoms include anaemia, intestinal bleeding and diarrhoea. Can cause a skin infection in humans.

Roundworms: Symptoms in dogs include diarrhoea, vomiting and, in extreme cases, pneumonia and intestinal obstruction.

Tapeworms: Can cause symptoms varying from seeming unwell to colic and mild diarrhoea.

Whipworms: Can cause diarrhoea, weight loss and, in some cases, anaemia.

Many of these parasitic worms are caught through the animal's contact with soil, sand or grass, so:

- remove pet faeces promptly, especially from your garden or children's sandpit
- avoid feeding your pet on the ground if faeces are present
- avoid eating when playing with pets
- make hand washing a habit after touching animals.

According to the RSPCA, prevention is the key to keeping your pets healthy and parasite-free.

Regularly dose your pets with a broad-spectrum species-specific worm medication. See your vet if you have concerns for your pet.

New Home for Puppies

The Club has been contacted by a Sabina Callaghan who has two female pups looking for homes (free). They are 8 weeks old and are 3/4 short hair Border Collies and 1/4 Cattle Dog. Sabina states that *“both parents are working dogs and much loved family pets. The mother in particular is extremely well bred. If the pups are half as good as the parents then they will be brilliant. I have contacted you because I think they will shine in the obedience ring and fly ball. I have attached a couple of photos.”* If any member is interested they can contact Sabina on sabina@blackhorsemanor.com.au or mobile 0402639753.



A 'Snapshot' of 2011 – these photos show some of the Club's highlights during the year



Last
Training
Day for
2011 is 11
December



Training
Resumes
Sunday 5
February
2012



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The Secretary
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Or Email:
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Member's Corner

Welcome

A very warm welcome to new members in September and October; Wes and Rosie, Claire and Jennifer with Matilda; Terry and China; Lisa, David and James with Nim and Lyra; Robyn and Owen; Jan and Rico, Heather and Steve with Narla and Holly; Samantha and Kuro, Kerrie-Anne and Jack with Bella; Lynne and Tilly; John and Angela with Hugo and Mishka.

Congratulations to the following members who have recently graduated: Jan and Molly to Intermediate. Shaun and Samba to Intermediate. Fay and Lady to Advanced Class.

Bad Weather Cancellation

Every effort will be made to advise members if training is cancelled. Notification will be via an email and also announcement on 2ST or Power FM. Alternatively you can ring Janet on 4455 3137.

It is sometimes difficult to make the decision because it may be raining at 7.30am when training has to be cancelled, and then it could clear up by 9am, so your patience is appreciated. Once training has been cancelled it will not be reinstated, even though one or two instructors may be at the Showground.

Great Results

Faye Jennings and her Cocker Spaniel Lady has qualified as a Delta Therapy Dog – congratulations.

Members Kim Porter (Brock & Bella), Louise Hamilton (Darcy), Cheryl Brunskill (Jana) Ruth Hall (Mr Paddy & Shandi), Emma Parnell & Blitz, Rosie Milton (Pac and Wizz), Danielle Butson (Tiamaria) have competed recently in various competitions. They all had a great time, some gaining qualifying scores, and some just missing out. At the Border Collie Trial Kim's dog Brock gained 2nd in Novice Obedience and a 1st in Agility Excellent. At the Grand Prix in Tamworth

Rosie's Wiz came third in her height class of the 24 weaving pole challenge against dogs from all over Australia. At a trial in Camden Danielle's Tiamaria was 1st in Intermediate Jumping.



Our congratulations go to all our members who take part in agility and obedience competitions, they have achieved great success during 2011 and we are all very proud of them.

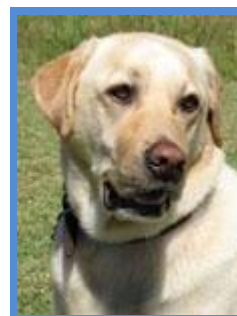
Member News

Our very best wishes to Margaret Rudd, who is going to have a knee operation this month.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Kim Porter who fell and hurt her knee badly at a recent competition.



Our very special Patron Dog Jimmy celebrated his 11th birthday on 3 October. You can read all about Jimmy on our web page at http://www.mudtc.org.au/patron_dog.html



Happy Birthday Jimmy



Believe in Santa Clause, teddy bears and friends, and a magical joy that never ends!

