



## INFORMATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

### Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club Inc

Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club was formed in 1979 by a group of volunteers with a keen interest in helping others train their dogs. The Club's principles remain the same today as all our committee and instructors are volunteers who have a lot of knowledge which they enjoy sharing with you. The Club committee meets regularly, and any member is welcome to attend. The Club is not affiliated to Dogs NSW, but we do have members who compete in both Obedience and Rally trials. Our instructors will be very pleased to assist anyone who has an interest in trialling their dog to achieve their aim.

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#### Contact Information:

Telephone: Before 4pm: 02 4455 3137  
We are available at the Clubhouse on Sunday mornings from 8.00am to 10am  
Our preferred communication method outside of these hours is email.

Email: [mudtc@outlook.com](mailto:mudtc@outlook.com)

Website: <http://www.mudtc.org.au>

Postal address: PO Box 274 Milton NSW 2538

Street address: Milton Showground 107 Croobyar Road Milton NSW 2538

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#### How to Join MUDTC

To join MUDTC you must pay a joining fee (not required for subsequent renewals) annual membership fee plus a training fee. Your training fee covers attendance at any training class with any number of dogs you wish to train for the duration of your annual membership. Annual membership is for the calendar year. When joining the Club, proof of your dog's immune status must be provided. This is either a vaccination certificate (C3, C4, or C5) or titre test certificate issued by your veterinarian. Puppies will need to have had their first vaccination and can be enrolled in the Club's Baby Puppy School from 8 weeks of age at their owner's discretion.

#### Fees for new members:

Joining Fee	\$15
Membership Fee	\$10 single or \$11 for a family (If joining after 1 October no renewal fee is paid for the following year)
Training Fees	\$90 On a sliding monthly scale

Payment options:

New member: Cash or Card (EFT) when attending on the day of registration/orientation

Renewing member: Cash or Card (EFT) before 8:45 AM on Sundays before or by the due date in February.

Alternatively, you may transfer your membership fees direct to Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club account with IMB Ulladulla, using your surname and your dog's name as reference; please arrange to have a receipt sent to [mudtc@outlook.com](mailto:mudtc@outlook.com)

BSB 641 800 Account No. 200854974

## Training your dog at MUDTC

Obedience Training sessions are held on Sundays at 8.30 - 9.10am for Puppy; Quick Start and Class 1 and at 9.20 – 10am for Classes 2 & 3 from February to November each year at the rear of Milton Showground. The first Sunday in December is usually our end of year get together event before we break over summer. *(Note Puppy Class start time 9.20am during Winter months)*

Please arrive in time to be ready to start your class. It is disruptive to Instructors, and other handlers and their dogs, when members arrive late to class. If training is cancelled because of bad weather, it will be posted on Facebook and our Web Page and an email sent to members.

### ***What you need to bring on training days***

- Your dog's training collar and lead and your name badge
- Poo Bags, and a water bowl for your dog. Do not share water bowls.
- Half size sandwich bag full of soft tasty treats for your dog, cut into small pieces i.e. 4 pieces would make up a 5 cent piece.
- Clicker
- Other training gear such as dumbbell, toys, tuggy etc

It is a great idea to have all your training gear in the bag supplied so it's always ready to pick up and bring along to training.

Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club Inc offers members the opportunity to socialise and train their dogs to become great companion animals. The Club promotes responsible dog ownership and offers training in obedience and agility. Instruction in other fun events such as flyball, trieball, flag races is offered when instructors are available and there is member interest. All dogs are welcome, large, small, mixed breed, pure bred, and they all have a great time on Sunday mornings at training classes.

Our aim is to make training your dog a fun experience for both you and your dog. Your dog will be spending focused time with their favourite person – you. You will learn about dogs, their behaviour and what makes them do what they do. Your dog wins by spending time with you at training. Training takes place in a class with several other members and their dogs, and you will

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Handlers must always clean up after their dogs – make sure you always carry a plastic bag at the Showground and when taking your dog for a walk.

receive advice and assistance from your Instructor, who is a Club volunteer. It is not practical for Instructors to provide extensive one to one support for an individual class member during class time and so your instructor may suggest that you seek additional professional dog training advice from outside our Club.

Please respect signage on some dog collars and leads stating 'no food' 'no dogs' 'training' etc. The Club has a supply of Yellow Ribbons, available at the Clubhouse, which members can use to tie on their dog's lead to alert other members their dog needs space.

At our Club, while we focus on positive reinforcement and rewards during training sessions, we encourage an overall balanced approach to dog training. Please speak to one of the instructors if you require assistance with improving control of your dog. We help you to have fun with your dog and help make them a great companion to have around your home.

Each instructor will explain the methods of dog training used at our Club.

*Please seek your own vet advice if any health/diet issues are of concern to you. We recommend that you provide necessary preventative care for your dog, for example appropriate vaccination, worming and tick control. Your dog must be registered with your Local Council and microchipped.*

### ***Agility***

- Agility classes are held on Saturdays at Milton Showground

The Club is affiliated to the Agility Dog Association of Australia (ADAA) and runs an agility trial each year. Agility training is offered at the Club and agility classes and courses are offered for dogs over 12 months of age. Attendance at the Club's Pre-Agility course is required before you can commence agility instruction with your dog. Please add your name to the list at the Clubhouse if you are interested in attending the Pre-Agility course.

### ***Rally Obedience***

- Rally practice class is held twice a month on Thursday afternoons at Milton Showground.

### ***Tricks***

- Trick class is held twice a month on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at Milton Showground.

### ***Demonstration Team***

- Practice is held each Tuesday morning at 8am at Milton Showground. Please ask your instructor for more information.

## **Membership**

Our memberships follow the calendar year, and all memberships are due for renewal in February. By signing the membership form you are agreeing to abide by the club rules and policies. Please read the Club rules below carefully.

### ***Club Rules:***

- Members must wear suitable footwear, such as trainers – scuffs and thongs are not permitted.
- Dogs must be kept on the leash at all times, unless they are in a training class with the direct supervision of an instructor, or under control in the off-leash area at the rear of the Showground.
- The only acceptable training collars are flat collars, DCCs, haltis and training harnesses (not car harnesses). Milton Ulladulla Dog Training Club Instructors are not trained to give advice about the use of other specialised training equipment. Consequently, it will be recommended to members needing more assistance that they speak with their vet and/or a professional dog trainer.
- When joining the Club, proof of immune status must be provided. This is either a vaccination certificate (C3, C4, or C5) or titre test certificate issued by your veterinarian. Puppies will need to have had their first vaccination and can be enrolled in the Club's Baby Puppy School from 8 weeks of age at their owner's discretion.
- Children may train their dog provided they are supervised by their parent, carer, or guardian.
- Any use of the club equipment for dogs must be done in conjunction with the class instructor.
- Members are responsible for cleaning up if their dog fouls the ground.
- Members must not use harsh actions or verbals with their dogs. This includes hitting your dog or strong misuse of the dog's lead.
- Bitches in season are not permitted on the training ground.
- Members must bring a water bowl for their own dog to use. Do not share water bowls with other dogs.
- MUDTC is a community-based club, focused on providing a fair, safe and inclusive environment for all members and their dogs. Communication between club members and instructors must always be respectful and courteous and must not be offensive, discriminatory, intimidating, aggressive, bullying, hateful, racist, or otherwise inappropriate. Refer Club Member Code of Conduct & Complaints Policy.
- In regard to above, if a club member wishes to raise a formal matter, that is anything which requires the specific attention of the Club Executive or consideration by the MUDTC Committee, please only make contact either by email to the Club's address [mudtc@outlook.com](mailto:mudtc@outlook.com) or mail PO Box 274 Milton 2538, or by speaking with one of the Club's Committee members and asking them to raise the matter on your behalf. Do not make representations through a member's personal email or telephone. Refer Club Member Code of Conduct & Complaints Policy.
- The club reserves the right to decide that a dog must be muzzled. Please see the Club's Aggressive Dog Protocols on our website. If you do not have access to view online, please request a hard copy from the Secretary.
- The club has a Contagious Diseases Policy which is located on our website. If you do not have access to view online, please request a hard copy from the Secretary.

- The Club has an Extreme Weather Policy which is located on our website. If you do not have access to view online, please request a hard copy from the Secretary.

We encourage all new members to ask questions to find out what is available to take part in at our Club. Your instructor, any committee member or one of our member representatives on the committee, will be happy to answer questions, or to find out the information for you if you if they don't know the answer. Please just ask us.

The Club is always looking for volunteers so if you have any skills or spare time to assist, we would love to hear from you. This Club is run solely by volunteers who give of their time and expertise to help owners train their dogs to the standard they require in a social environment.