

PAW PRINTS

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Newsletter

Eastern Suburbs Dog Training Club Inc.

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Sundays in Centennial Park since 1962

Activity Encouragement Trial

We will be encouraging activity class members with a club 'mock' trial on **Sunday November 3**. Held at the grounds as part of normal club activities, the event will be judged by Sandra Walker. All class participants are encouraged to enter as we present the opportunity to experience conditions similar to a 'real' trial. An obedience mock trial is also likely in the near future.



Club Members will be saddened to learn that Gypsy, the beloved Rottie of long time Helper, Instructor & Committee Member, Leonie, passed away recently.

Gypsy was a regular sight near the registration desk on Sundays, ambling about to find a sunny spot to stretch out or a treat source to politely mooch off. I recall first meeting Leonie & Gypsy in a class I ran some 10 years ago. At the end of training, Leonie came over and told me that her goal was to do an obedience trial with Gypsy. Not only did Leonie & Gypsy achieve this goal, but they went on to gain Gypsy's CD/Novice Title at the Club's State Titles Obedience Trial in 2004.

Both looked justly proud of their achievement in the photo (left). Gypsy was a great character, whose presence contributed to the Club. Her absence will be keenly felt by Leonie and by all those that knew her.

- Robert Fairhead

Your Committee

Jeff McMahon (President),
Martin O'Loughlin (Vice President),
Arianne van der Meer (Treasurer),
Kate Mackay (Secretary),
Committee members:
Julie Brandon (trial secretary), Leonie Kelly, Nicole Pensko.
Claire Scivyer.

THANKS

Many thanks to Tony Roussos for the donation of equipment to the activity class. Tony has many years of experience including great success in agility competition and has made and donated a see-saw for training contact behaviour.

GROOMING TIPS

Before and After



Grooming long coated dogs (indeed all dogs no matter what length coat) should become part of your daily/weekly routine AS SOON as the dog joins your household. If you commence as a puppy, your dog will enjoy it and you will reap the benefits of having a clean, smell-free, knot-free, beautiful to caress companion.

Pre-Wash routine

- Before washing you should always make sure your dog is knot and mat-free and well brushed. If you wash before brushing you are much more likely to create matts and knots.
- If you have a “professional dryer/blaster”, blast as much dirt and dust out of the coat as possible prior to washing. Make sure you blast near the skin so that the skin is clean and dirt-free.
- Use the “pin brush” for the longer hair areas such as the “pants” “feathers” and tail. The fine tooth metal comb is for the long hair behind and around the ears.

Washing

Ensuring that your dog’s skin is clean is the most important part of bathing a dog. To enable this FORGET ABOUT simply filling up a bath and pouring warm water over your dog and assuming that once you no longer see soapsuds the dog is rinsed!!! You need access to a high-pressure shower or hose nozzle.

- Stand your dog on a non-slip surface (I prefer a low wooden garden table with a wet towel on top)
- Soak your dog all over making sure that the skin is well watered. (Imagine you are washing your own hair and scalp)
- Using a good canine shampoo, work the shampoo well into the skin. (Don’t be tempted to use human shampoo: the Ph level is quite different)
- Rinse. You need to use as high a pressure hose/nozzle as possible and ensure that not only the coat is rinsed, but the skin as well. (It takes me longer to rinse my dogs than to shampoo. Rinsing is the most important part of washing. If the coat is not properly rinsed, it will be dull and irritate causing itching and scratching)

Minimum required equipment:



A “pin” brush



A fine tooth metal comb



A bristle brush

Drying

- Towel drying a clean dog is okay. (don't towel dry a dirty dog: eg. if your dog's been in the park, full of sand/dirt and wet. All you are doing in those circumstances is rubbing the sand/dirt/grit into the dog's skin: that will cause discomfort and irritation).
- Dog dryer/Blaster is the best way to dry both a clean and a dirty dog. The blaster does literally that. It blasts away water and dirt without damaging the dog's coat with heat. Some blasters have no heat capacity; others have cold/warm/hot. The blaster also helps to keep knots/matting to a minimum.

Brushing

- After towel drying (or blasting) ensure all knots are removed. Particularly note behind the ears, the pants, around the anus, under the "armpits", the tail.
- Start with the bristle brush brushing "against" the direction of the coat. Work your way from the head and ears down to the tail.
- Once at the rear, brush the pants starting on the lower-leg ending up near the tail. Then brush the tail, making sure you brush under the tail and not simply on top.
- After you are satisfied you have brushed "every inch" with the bristle brush, re-do all the long-coated areas with the "pin" brush. BUT BE CAREFUL: try the brush out on your arm first!!
- Check around the ears: if there are any matts or knots, use the fine toothcomb.

Trimming

Some dogs (like border collies) have fur that grows between the pads of their paws. This fur needs to be trimmed otherwise they can become foot-sore (eg caused by mud collecting on the fur and developing into little stones between the pads). The fur if left unattended can also cause the paws to become splayed as the fur spreads the pads apart.

If you have never trimmed a dog's paw before, you should use "safety"/nose scissors. These can be purchased from any pharmacy. They have rounded ends ensuring that you don't accidentally cut your dog. You should make sure that your dog is relaxed and enlist the help of another to keep him still.

Frequency

- How often you need to groom your dog is a personal matter: it depends in part

on your life-style and your dog's activities.

- To keep your dog knot and matt free, you need to brush and comb at least twice a week AND AS SOON AS you notice a knot or matt.
- I wash my border collies whenever I show or trial them. When I am not competing, I wash them either when they roll in something disgusting, or every 3 – 4 weeks.
- I "cold-blast" them every second or third day: it keeps their skin clean and coat knot free.
- I trim their feet every second week. I clip their nails twice a week.



Luxury Item: Dog dryer/blaster

-From Julie Huber



Save Your Stamps

We collect used stamps as a fundraiser for the organisation 'Guide Dogs' who look after the training of guide dogs so that they can serve people without sight, or who are vision impaired. Please deposit your old stamps in the container to be found at the main desk on any Sunday. Over \$200 has been donated recently from this collection.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Members are invited to put forward nominations for Committee which will be presented for acceptance at the forthcoming AGM.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CLUB TO BE HELD ON **SUNDAY September 8 2013 ON THE TRAINING GROUNDS IN CENTENNIAL PARK, COMMENCING AT 9.50AM.**

AGENDA

1. To note apologies for non-attendance
2. To confirm Minutes of the previous General Meeting (as posted on the Club notice board)
3. To discuss business arising from these Minutes
4. To receive reports from the Committee
5. To consider and deal with Motions of which due notice has been given
6. To receive Notices of Motion
7. To consider and deal with Motions of which notice has not been given
8. To hear and answer through the Chair questions from Members
9. To deal with such other business as the Chair or Members may allow

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motions will be posted on the Club notice board on the grounds 2 weeks prior to the meeting.

N.B. If, for any reason, a quorum not be present, this meeting will be held on Sunday 13 September 2013

Valediction :

The Club is sad to relay the news of the passing of Phillippa Harvie. Phillippa joined the Club in 1975 and served both as an Instructor and on Committee. Longer term Members will recall Phillippa's humorous contributions to the Club newsletter, PawPrints, her hand drawn cartoons of Wellington, a hairy dog, who knew more about training than its owner!

Fittingly, one of Phillippa's last dogs was a hairy Bearded Collie, Harriet. In my early days at the Club, I recall doing classes beside Phillippa, our Instructor invariably getting the names of her Harriet and my Harry mixed up. I also recall Phillippa taking a number of our classes. She was an inventive instructor who had a way of getting you to remember exercises.

In fact, I still use Phillippa's explanation of "normal pace" for heeling a dog when I take a class: Imagine you're walking to the bus stop, you spot a bus coming, you don't need to break into a sprint, but you don't want to miss the bus, that's normal pace.

I also recall our chats after classes at the grounds on Sundays or elsewhere wherever our paths crossed, usually in a park, walking our dogs. I found Phillippa to be a very down to earth person, with whom it was easy to relax and enjoy a meaningful and always humorous conversation.

- Robert Fairhead



Welcome to new members....and their dogs!

Adrienne Gooch
Aleisha O'Connor
Alex Dench
Alyssa Moore
Amanda Aizenestros
Amelia Phillips
Andrew Gaffney
Andrew Hoppe
Andrew Thompson
Anna Lancaster
Anne Blyth
Anne-Maree Sabellico
Annette Clark
Anthea Murray
Anthony Wood
Belinda McGann
Ben Starr
Ben Suttor
Ben Wong
Benjamin Dawes
Brian Hannaford
Brianna Ginman
Bridie Wade
Cameron Peebles
Candic Jayde Fox
Candice Suttor
Carmine Di Campli
Carol Constancon
Carter Mullins
Catherine Gallagher
Charles Peters
Charlotte Thompson
Chris Henderson
Christelle Cubizolles
Christine Witherdin
Claire Chow
Colin Doyle
Dale Farmilow
Dan Henderson
Dan Lee
David Jakes
David Kraft
David McQuire
David Penman
David Pesic
Deepa Doyle
Don Pak

Donna Hancox
Dragana Theocharidis
Emily Mackinlay
Emma Delory-Burke
Emma Gerzina
Erin Longbottom
Frank Golotta
Gim You Hoe
Grant Curson
Greg Catling
Greg Wright
Guy Foster
Hamish Perks
Hanna Dang
Hannah Speller
Harry Goldsmith
Helen France
Helen Klinger
Ian Haggis
James Hill
Jean Butt
Jennifer Mazzola
Jesse Arifien
Joanna Golotta
Jon Marrable
Julia Mullins
June Cheung
Kaisa Duncan-Watt
Katerine Pinzon Garcia
Katherine Austin
Katie Sandy
Kerryn Kahler
Kieran Stuart-Jones
Kyra Miller
Laura Sutton
Lauren Chapman
Leesa Di Campli
Leyla Banaei
Liza Ginman
Lucas Kirwood
Luke Gerzina
Luke Trigwell
Marcus Glynn
Marianne Galea
Mark Lillis
Mark Symonds
Martin Gill

Maureen Penman
Mel Dalit
Mia Bell
Michael Tan
Michelle May
Michelle Opie
Michelle Riordan
Nadine-Devaki Wright
Ned Pesic
Neil Ryan
Nestor Lopez
Nicola Phillips
Pam Symonds
Patrick Acheampong
Pearl Price
Rachael Black
Rafael May
Rebecca Brincat
Rebecca Stephens
Robbie Stratti
Roger Price
Ruth Austin
Ryan Lee
Sam Apsee
Sam Booth
Samantha Rose King
Samela Husakovic
Samuel Wong
Sara Stevens
Sarah Lefebvre
Sarah Rogers
Shane Wehr
Sheila Fulton
Shirley Pak
Simon (Cheuk Yee) Wong
Sita Hitchcox
Somi Lee
Stephan Whelan
Susan Foster
Tracy Tsovolos
Trevor King
Warren Arthur
Will McDougall

ON TIME

For participation in classes please ensure that you arrive on the grounds in plenty of time for inspection and training. Tickets for classes are **ONLY** issued for dogs that have been inspected.

Inspection Line times:

Class 2 and Activity Classes from 7:45 to 8am

Adult Dog Beginners and Classes 1, 3 & 4 from 8:30 to 8:55am

(Puppies are inspected by Instructors in class)

From the Treasurer

Income (April - June)		Expenses (April - June)	
Joiners	\$2,930.00	Trial Stationary	\$91.65
Renewals	\$ 964.00	Trial Levy	\$247.00
Ground Fees	\$2,183.90	Judges Contracts	\$30.00
Equipment Sales	\$1,101.00	Equipment	\$220.52
Coffee Stall	\$54.50	Equipment Stock	\$1,543.62
Replace Badge	\$12.00	Computer Expenses	\$119.85
		Newsletter	\$1,034.56
Total Income	\$7,245.40	Donations	\$600.00
		Catering Expenses	\$60.00
		Trailer Registration	\$228.00
		Ground Rent	\$3,953.76
		Trophies	\$298.21
Term Deposit Interest	\$ 1,122.01	Bank Charges	\$18.15
		Other Expenses	\$90.00
		Maintenance	\$289.95
		Postage & Stationary	\$260.89
		Telephone	\$176.98
		Coffee Stall	\$46.50
		Club Clothing	\$45.20
Total Income & Interest	\$8,367.41	Total Expenses	\$9,354.84
Balance on CBA Bank Statement ending 1 July 2013			\$6,649.24
Investments: St George Bank Term Deposit			\$106,130.90

HELPERS WELCOME

The club relies on the work of volunteers to administer, instruct classes, set up and pack up equipment on a weekly basis. If you would like to assist in any way please make yourself known at the desk

**EASTERN SUBURBS DOG
TRAINING CLUB INC
OBEDIENCE TRIAL**

Location: BILL SPILSTEAD COMPLEX FOR CANINE AFFAIRS,
44 LUDDENHAM RD, ERSKINE PARK

SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER, 2013

Entries close September 4 2013

Classes to be judged:

Community Companion Dog, Novice, Open, Utility, Utility Dog Excellent

Entries to: Ms L Howard-Tarn, 58 Kensington Rd,
Kensington 2033 Ph 0412 536 660

Extreme Weather Ph 0412 645 154

Cheques made payable to:

Eastern Suburbs Dog Training Club Inc

JUDGES

Ms R MacDonald (NSW) Community Companion Dog

Mr R Probert (NSW) Novice

Miss E Temby (ACT) Open

Mr J Sissons (NSW) Open

Mr K Speed (NSW) Utility

Mr C Giles (ACT) Utility Dog Excellent &
Balance Utility

Order of Judging As per Catalogue

Judging Commences 9.00 am

Dogs NSW Representative Mrs B McKittrick

Vetting Time 8.00 - 8.45 am

Vetting Officer Mr Jeff McMahon (Club President)

Entry Fees \$10.00 Initial Entry, \$9.00 Subsequent Entries

Catalogues \$2.00 prepaid with entry

Refreshments Available

* Stamped self addressed envelope to accompany all entries

* Entries must include dog's title for Open, Utility

* Bitches in oestrus will not be permitted in the precincts of
the trial grounds

* The Club reserves the right to appoint additional or
substitute judges without prior notice

PRIZES

1st, 2nd & 3rd Trophy & Sash

Sash All Qualifiers

Sash for Title on the day

President's Trophy highest scoring dog or bitch

Founder's Trophy highest scoring ESDTC Member

Calendar 2013

August	
18	8:00am Adult Dog Joiner Registration
25	7.30am Promotion testing for Classes 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4 9.15am Registration for Puppy Joiners
September	
1	8:00am Adult Dog Joiner Registration
8	7.30am Promotion testing for Classes 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4 9.15am Registration for Puppy Joiners 10.00 am ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
15	8:00am Adult Dog Joiner Registration
22	7.30am Promotion testing for Classes 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4 9.15am Registration for Puppy Joiners
29	8:00am Adult Dog Joiner Registration
October	
6	LONG WEEKEND NO TRAINING ESDTC annual Obedience Trial
13	7.30am Promotion testing for Classes 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4 9.15am Registration for Puppy Joiners
20	8.00am Registration for Adult Joiners
27	7.30am Promotion testing for Classes 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4 9.15am Registration for Puppy Joiners
IMPORTANT DATES	
Sept 8	Annual General Meeting
Oct 5	ESDTC annual Obedience Trial (long weekend No Training)
Nov 3	Activity class 'mock' trial
Dec 8	FUN DAY Training concludes on this day

Too Wet to Train?

If we wake up to rain on Sunday the Club has a 2 stage cancellation process for wet weather. The first is to cancel joiner registration – we can't put out the registration desks in the rain. The 2nd, if the weather's too wild, is to cancel training classes. However, if it's not too wet and wild, the Club may run combined classes, depending on Instructor availability. Normal ground fees are due for these classes. In exceptional weather circumstances the decision to cancel training may be made on Saturday night before Sunday training. This will be recorded as a message on the club phone as soon as the decision is made. Members can call the Club for a status update on **0412 645 154**. *Please note: Unfortunately we cannot respond to voice or text messages.* Keep an eye on our Facebook page too, for news on the day.