DOG-TRACKS

Jumping Under the Bridge

"The Bradfield Bark 2018"

Against the spectacular harbour and Opera House backdrop crowds gathered to watch the Manly Club members put on a terrific Agility demonstration. After the demonstration there was the always very popular "Have a Go" session where people can try their dogs out, under supervision, on the agility course.





Our Club stand looked great, and attracted a lot of people. We set up some agility equipment so that anyone who missed the demonstration could still "have a go" and handed out flyers and home made dog biscuits from our web site recipe page. These were a huge hit...... a lot of four legged visitors came back for seconds !!!

Bright blue skies and sunshine and dogs of every shape, size, colour and breed. There were demonstrations, talks, stalls selling everything dog from winter coats and luxury dog beds to home made treats, toys and cushions. Bands played all day and everyone had a good time; from the smallest to the biggest all the dogs were on their best behaviour.



We had a very busy day on the stand answering questions about the Club and our classes and talking to people about their dogs. All in all a very good, fun filled day for everyone.



The National Agility Championships

KCC Park, Skye Victoria 11th - 15th April 2018

Another weekend, another agility trial! That's what I hear your partner saying, well this one is just a little different. Every two years the National Agility Championships are held in a different state across Australia. It is open to anyone to enter, and it brings the best of the best and the newest competitors (both handlers and pupstars) to one place for 5 days of fun. It also entices a small band of New Zealand competitors to come and join in.

This year it was held at Skye Victoria. The competition is broken up into 4 days of heats and a day of finals in both Jumping and Agility (Novice, Excellent, Masters and Open). Three heats of each event are run, with qualifying place getters making the Agility and Jumping finals on Sunday. Agility games, Gamblers, Snooker and Strategic Pairs, are also held as one off events or finals, over the 4 days of competition.

Then there are the teams events. This year we had both the Senior Teams and the Junior Teams events. 8 states entered a Senior Team, including the ACT, Tasmania and New Zealand, which comprises of 5 dogs and handlers competing against each other and 4 states entered a Junior Team, those being South Australia, Queensland, Victoria and NSW. These teams comprised of two dogs and handlers. Each team was required to run both jumping and agility courses and were scored on time and faults / disqualifications, which are added up and the teams with the least points wins.

Just to paint a bigger picture, here are some figures that may just blow you away. Over the 4 days of competition, not including the finals, there were 6547 entries, 709 dogs were competing with 503 handlers. 8 rings ran all at once and an entire day is set aside for Open Jumping x 3 and Open Agility x 3.

Well that was the plan anyway!!



So, enter the curse of open day. As was the case in South Australia two years prior, schedules were rewritten following extreme weather. In 2016 following torrential rain and freak winds, Open day was cancelled and all dogs were entered into the open finals on the Sunday. Well fast forward two years and gale force winds and torrential rain happened again, and for the 2nd time, Finals day became Open Day and every pupstar became a finals entrant. This just a snippet of the destruction that was Open day 2018.



It was a bit like déjà vu, this is our gazebo from the Nationals in South Australia in 2016.



So, who travelled south from Manly Club and how did they go.

A small contingent travelled to Skye including Nick Heygate with Oskar and Jimmy, Sarah Sharp with Daisy, Nicole van Barneveld with Bowie and Stevie, Angela Hamilton with Fly, Josie Stiddard with Remy, Sue Winn with Jaxon, Simone Samany and Takoda, Mia Cody and Polly and myself with Gus and Moose. Results are always great, but having fun with your best friends is the most important part of any agility game.



Moose

Below are the qualies won on the day.

Nicole & Stevie – JD x 2, Bowie – JDX.

Nick & Jimmy – JDM x 2, ADM, Oskar - JDX

Sarah & Daisy – JD

Josie & Remy – JD

Sue & Jaxon – SPDX

Simone & Takoda – SPDX

Jo & Gus – ADM, Moose - SPDM

Nick and Jimmy were part of the winning NSW Senior Team and Mia and Polly, in their first ever trial, were part of the winning NSW Junior Team. Nick and Oskar also made the 600 JDX final and walked away with a 2nd place.



Well done everyone!!

I know there were so many 'oh so close' moments that everyone had, and some personal wins that will always be embedded in our memories, so to everyone who made the trip, congratulations!!!!



Bowie



Takoda



Bowie

I would also like to thank Sally from Tails and Trails Photography, for the use of the great action shots from the 5 days. More photos can be viewed at

URL: https://www.facebook.com/pg/TailsTrailsPhotography/photos/



Jo Comber



Keeping Warm This Winter

Just like us dogs can feel the winter chills. Some cold climate breeds such as Siberian

Huskies, Bernese Mountain Dogs and Tibetan Terriers relish the cold weather and dream of romping in the snow. Many dogs however shiver on bitterly cold days and like nothing more than to curl up in front of the fire.

Now is a good time to think about how your dog is going to react to the coming winter. Whilst Sydney has moderately mild winters the weather can certainly vary with very cold snaps and windy wet days.

Things to consider...

If your dog sleeps outside ensure that the kennel is snug and warm and protected from the wind.

Outdoor beds should be raised off the ground and extra blankets provided. Self-heating pads and heated dog beds are also available.

Dogs that sleep indoors will always find a warm spot, but make sure their bed is out of drafts and extra blankets provided as nights can be very chilly.

Consider a dog coat, especially good for slender and short haired breeds such as Whippets, Miniature Pinschers and Staffordshire Bull Terriers which have problems maintaining their body heat. Coats are available for all size dogs, from inexpensive to the designer, whatever you choose your dog will thank you on those dreary winter days. For long haired breeds a raincoat is a good buy.

Grow a longer coat, many dogs, especially the Poodle cross breeds get clipped down because of their coats matting. Be kind in the cold months it will mean a lot more grooming but a much happier dog.

A large chamois leather cloth is a must to have on hand, literally sucks the water out of wet feet and fur.

Be very careful with open fires, many a tale has been told about singed tails, so always make sure the fire has a guard.

Watch the calorie intake, just like us less activity will result in a bigger waist line.

Have a wonderful snuggly warm winter.



Apple & Carrot Dog Biscuits

2 1/2 x Cups of Wholemeal Flour

1/2 x Cup of Oats

1 x Tablespoon of Honey

1 x Apple, Cored and Grated (leave peel on)

1/2 x Cup of Grated Carrots

1 x Egg

1/3 x Cup of Vegetable Oil

1/4 x Cup Water (the apples add moisture, so only add the water if necessary)

Preheat the oven to 180°

Core and grate apples; peel and grate carrots.

In one bowl, mix the flour and oats. In a separate bowl, beat the egg and mix in the oil, honey, grated apples and carrots. Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients bowl and mix completely. Add water if necessary.

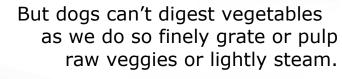
Carefully roll out the dough and cut out shapes with a small cookie cutter.

Bake for 30 minutes, or until apple juices are soaked and biscuits are firm. After biscuits cool store in an air-tight container.

Don't Forget the Veggies

Just like us dogs should have vegetables as part of their diet.







Remember just like us too many carbs add to the waist line so not too many potatoes.

Membership Renewal Due By



Following the lead of many of the other dog clubs and the overwhelming vote of our members the Manly & District Kennel & Dog Training Club has now transitioned into yearly fees.

| Membership with 1 dog | \$120.00 |
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| Membership with 2 or more dogs | \$140.00 |
| Pensioner Membership with 1 dog Pensioner Membership with 2 or more dogs | \$ 60.00 \$ 70.00 |

This fee covers membership of the Club and **ALL** Obedience, Agility and Flyball classes attended until June 30th 2019.

The change to an annual fee offers a financial saving to our members, streamlines the desk by eliminating the ground fees and simplifies the Club's bookkeeping.

Renew on line with PayPal or at the ground. Please remember that it is cash or cheque only at the ground as eftpos is unavailable in the area.

Remember we must sight a current vaccination certificate for your dog at the time of your membership renewal.

Please renew your Club membership by June 30th as you will not be able to train after that date without wearing your new badge.



Wear Your Club Colours Available Now





Fleece Vest Sizes S-M-L-XL

\$35.00



Fleece Jacket
Sizes S-M-L-XL

\$40.00





Promotions

Obedience

Beginners to Class 1

Casey Thompson & Iskra Karina Simon & Archie Jenny & Willow Mya & Zepha Donna & Harvey Greg Forsyth & Lola Amy & Bella Steve & Pepper Geoff Ladbrook & Gaston Shannon & Adam McLeod & Maple Karen Austin & Harry Robyn Russell & Aurora Lesia Mortensen & Reji Amy Green & Elvis Scott Burdin & Felix Pippa Machennah & Ash Nellie Polly & Pepper Marjon Price & Millie Lisa Montesin & Bella

Agility

Beginners to SI1

Kristina and Indy Jenny and Billie Terry and Kida Jenny and Troy.





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Port Macquarie
Jo Comber & Moose AD Title
Mia Cody & Polly Novice Jumping Q
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Victoria Gore & Bella Novice 88pts Victoria Gore & Bella Novice 91pts Title Denise Gough & Kaila Novice Title

There are a lot more Qualies and Titles to brag about but if you don't let Dog Tracks know we can't brag about your successes.

email: dogtracks@northernbeachesdogtraining.com.au or write up in the brag book at the club.

Let's Get to Know You Better

Tell us all about yourself and your dog and what you train, funny stories and photos and happenings in your dogs world.

Get to know the other Club members

Post to the Club Facebook page
Click on link

https://www.facebook.com/320012041460768/posts/1555932544535372/



Welcome to Our New Members

Jay Arnison & Margaret Doonan & **Lilly**Madelein Arthur & **Forrest**Diana Bal

Veronica Barry & **Teddi**Bronwyn Bateman & **Odin & Ruskin**Jochen & Kathy Bourges & **Billy**Talia & Scott Burdon & **Felix**Jarrod Bux & **Gypsy**

Stuart Byrnes & Joanne Kemmler & **Charley** Helen, Andrew, Austin & Adam Cartledge & **Archie** Phil Cartwright & Cornelia Scholtz & **Chase**

Jane Coulcher & Oho

Greg, Bella & Silvana Courts & **Ollie**Jeremy Craig & **Gizmo**

Suzanne Crawley & Damien May & Ziggy

John & Gina Crea & Cello Biljana Custovic & Zepha

Celia Deusell & James Paddock & Pumba

Jan & Rose Devine & Nova

Fiona Dick & Joseph Ward & Digley

Laura Dive & Vivian

Joanna & Brett Dobeson & Chloe

Steve Doherty & Wendy Pearce, Liam & Michael & **Jessie**Teri & Ross Falconer & **Oy'star**

Jemima Forster & Vincent Merryn & Paul & Hazel & Taffy

Kellie & Scott Foster & Scooby

Hanna Gibbs

Annette Hardwick & Lenny

David & Belinda Hearn & Max & Tilly

Kylee Hooker & **Duke**

Amy Hosking & Luke Panic & **Buddy**

Paul Hyles & **Sox**

Jane & Jason Immens & Alfie

Michael Judge & **Judge**

Radoslav Kardum & Ayaka Kimura & Bella

Peter & Heidi Kaupert & Bailey

Paul Kelso & Ioana Jordon & **Dexter**

Karen Kirkham & Billie

David, Natasha, Sarah & Lisa Knight

Nancy La Mott & Rocket

Beatriz, Geoff, Becky & James Ladbrook & Gaston

Andrea Lawson & Morty

Mike Lawson & Walter

Christiane Le Cornu & Kelly

Kate Leeder & Ella & Elsie

Scott Lennon & Ziggy

Pui Sze Betsy Leung & **Toto**

Anna & Angus Llewellyn & Rosie

Monique & Peter Marchione & Logan

Carol McCabe & Larry
Pauline McCabe & Nala
Simone McCauley & Bobby
Shaun & Erin McKnight & Jazzy
Lisa Montesin & Bella
Alex Moore & Mac
Julie Mudford & Leonard
Suzie & Scott Neylon & Sookie
Amber Nolan & Tilly
Teresa Novakac & Fred
Joanna Oakey

Ashleigh Overton & **Floyd** Clare Parbery & Alfie

Stephen Paynter & Susanne Norris & **Dylan**Diana Pellowe & **Alfie**

Chris Petit & Anne Stapleton & **Dolie**Jana & Graham Pickles & **Roman**

Kate Poole
Jane Puchner & **Willow**Heidi Pullinger & **Romy**Jacqueline Rafferty & **Piper**Dale Raphael & **Marshall**Robert Richards & **Curly**

Mary-Anne Rogan & **Lottie**Meredith Salotto & **Zoe**

Tiffany, Ella & Holly Schaffter & **Toffee & Tess**Irene & Ian Selvage & **Wookie**Sarrah Shapley & **Jack**

Marian Shaw & **Layla** Kerina Simon & **Archie**

Brennan Simpson & **Winnie**Guy Speilman & Satoko Doi & **Lowie**Nikki Stokes & O'Toole & **George**

Wendy, Daniel & Bethany Sullivan & **Penny**

Anna & David Supierz & **Luna** Natasha & Davis Swingler & **Bella**

Casey Thompson & Niven & Daren McDonald & **Isura**

Helen Trussler & Mani

Mikaela Turik, David Bate & Tania Knight, Jason, Harry & Katya & **Kona** Jean Turner Chapman & **Opie**

Demelsa Vernon (Watts) & **Tatsu & Tashi**Melinda & Russell Wallace & **Jett**Jann White & Gary Hain & **Zach**David, Karen, Gemma & Jordan Willis & **Kobe & Summer**

Liam Zollo & Emily Peterson & Bailee

