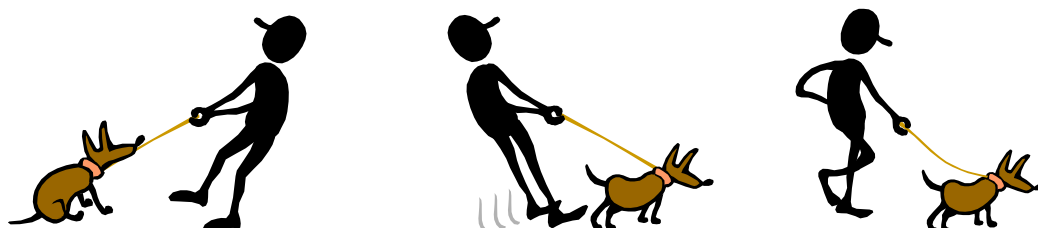


Titahi Bay Canine Obedience Club



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A New Term

Our new term is due to commence on 13 July. Welcome back for all those who are returning from previous grades and welcome aboard to those who are joining us for the first time

Committee Staff

Ways of increasing instructors and membership

If you are interested in instructing please ring Mandy Starling on 564 9003 or contact one of the current instructors.

The committee is currently looking at the way instructors are introduced into the classes. What sort of training and support do we offer our instructors? We think we could do better in both these areas and are currently looking at ways to improve this. This would also help make training more consistent between different classes.

Our instructors are all volunteers and offer their time and knowledge term after term. In order to keep the classes as small as possible we need more instructors. The more instructors we have means that instructors that have been taken class after class can have a break before they burn out completely which often happens. This however should not mean a compromise in quality.

Please see later sections in the newsletter regarding Instructors meeting and Instructor seminars.

Life Members Board

Keep your eye on this space. There are going to be some important advances on this notice board.

Canine Good Citizen Award

It has been decided that Titahi Bay will run with the NZKC canine Good Citizen Award. Once a coordinator has been organised this should get going. The NZKC has put out a very comprehensive document with easy to follow instructions for the instructor on exactly what criteria the dog and handler must reach. It is designed for the every day dog and is something that everyone can have a go at. But we have so many limited instructors at the moment that we cannot put this into place until we get someone to coordinate it. We have some people looking at this document and are going to report back to the committee with suggestions on how they feel this would run.

Club maintenance

We have compiled a list of things that need to be done around the club. If you feel anything else needs to be looked at please put a note on the blackboard inside the club – NOW.

Instructors Meeting

An instructors meeting was held on 6 July. There was quite a good turn out of both experienced instructors and new people looking at instructing. There were some very constructive comments that came out of the night. These will hopefully be more frequent than they have in the past.

Instructors Seminar

For anyone that missed it last month:

We are organising a seminar for instructors on 29 August 2004. This seminar is aimed at both people already instructing and also those who would like to give it a go. There will be practical examples as well as lots of useful information. The cost of the seminar will be \$40 per person. \$15 of this will be used for hireage of the Kennel Centre, a light lunch, morning and afternoon tea etc. Any remaining from this \$15 will be put back into a fund to be used as a future date to promote instructors within our Zone. Titahi Bay Canine Obedience Club has agreed to pay \$30 towards the cost of the seminar for all of our current instructors and for those people wanting to instruct. Please contact Jenny Rutherford to book a place in this seminar and to see if you are eligible for the \$30 club subsidy.

Personally I attended a similar seminar run by Karen a couple of years ago and it was great. This seminar is open to all clubs in Zone 3. See attached flier, which has been sent to all clubs within the Zone inviting them.

Recipes

This recipe is brilliant for fattening up dogs, This recipe makes about 110 balls...

SATIN BALL RECIPE

Ingredients:

6kg chicken mince
750gm Weetbix
1.8kg rolled oats
400gm wheat germ

1/4 cup - vegetable oil
500gm molassed cane sugar, dissolved in warm water (not too much, or the mixture will be too wet)
10 raw eggs
125gm unflavoured gelatine
pinch of salt

(Optional) add in crushed garlic, yeast flakes and some pureed veges. Mix it in the sink or bath and roll it into rissole sized balls.

Satin Ball is a total K-9 diet. It may be fed by itself or as a supplement, for however long you wish.

The only problem with feeding it by itself is determining the amount per feeding. This will be an individual decision based on the needs of your dog.

Logo Competition

Design a logo for our club!!!!!!

And the winner was:



Congratulations to the winning entry – well done.

NDTA 2004

NDTA (National Dog Training Assembly) – This is the dog obedience show of the year. It is the nationals not only for obedience but also agility and trials.

This year (as it is every year) the NDTA will be held over labour weekend 23 - 25 October, this time at Timaru. At the NDTA an interzone competition is run between the five Zones within New Zealand. We are in Zone 3. Each Zone puts forward 5 dogs & handlers, one from each of the recognised championship tests (Special Beginners, Novice, Test A, Test B and Test C). These dogs will represent our Zone at the NDTA in October and compete against the other Zones at their designated level. Eg the dog and handler representing us at

the Special Beginner level will compete against the other four dogs from the other Zones who are also at the Special Beginner level.

Each year prior to the NDTA our Zone runs Team Trials to determine who will be chosen to represent the Zone at each of the determined levels. The Obedience team trials this year are being held on 7, 8, 14 and 15 of August.

Anyone wishing to try out for the Team Trials please contact the committee ASAP. Entry forms will be available through the club as the club has to confirm the nomination... They will also be on the egroup in the files section. (Once Royce (our Zone Representative) has released them)

Shop News

Please remember our club has a shop, which offers some really neat dog treats and equipment. These are at a very reasonable price and are good quality. Next month I hope to have a list of product available.

Classifieds

Have you got anything dog related you'd like to sell, trade etc. Why not advertise it here!! Maybe that old puppy crate or play pen, or dog bed that seemed like a good thing at the time, books etc. Please contact the editor with details.

FOR SALE

Border Collie pups.
Born 11 June.
Anyone interested please phone Carol
Howell on (06) 368 1968 or email
K.C.Howell@xtra.co.nz

Aren't they cute!!!



RESULTS

These results are from our ribbon trial that was held on 20 June. Congratulations. The entries were low in some of the higher tests so I have not included them. The next ribbon trial is on the 28th of August at Wainuiomata. If anyone new is interested in attending please speak to your instructor.

Elementary 1

1st:	Kim Paice	Deefa
2nd:	Harriet Kay	Rosie
3rd:	Wendy Wilson	Rox
4th:	Cicely Wallace	Bracken
5th:	Diane Miller	Kashi

Elementary 2

1st:	Cicely Wallace	Bracken
2nd:	Wendy Wilson	Rox
3rd:	Kim Paice	Deefa
4th:	Harriet Kay	Rosie
5th:	Diane Miller	Kashi

Special Beginners

1st:	Cicely Wallace	Bracken
2nd:	Diane Miller	Kashi

Novice

1st:	Karina Ansell	Shilo
2nd:	Rosemary Cleater	Folly
3rd:	Liz Homes	Spice
4th:	Christine Hughes	Hershey
5th:	Annette	Sophie

Test A

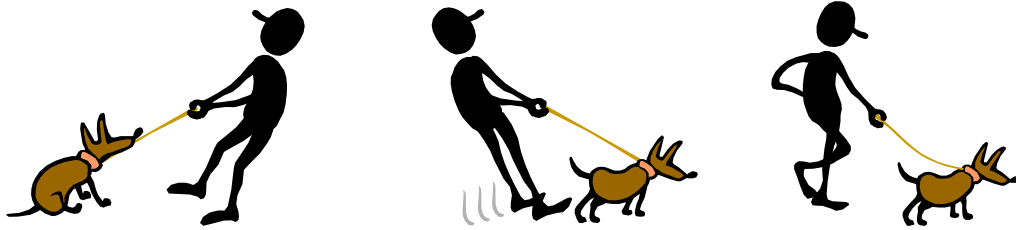
1st:	Christine Hughes	Hershey
2nd:	Ani McManaway	Kizzie
3rd:	Maria Noanoa	Chaka

Please note Titahi Bay have a custom of winners shout night. That is those who have won bring along a plate and we all get to celebrate their achievement

The next winners shout night will be on 20 July. I note from these results Christine won Test A and Kim won Elementary I. I also think Geoff Collins might owe us a shout or two for his championship special beginner wins.

Creating Dog Obedience Instructors

for Zone 3



Instructors Seminar

This course is designed to give you:

- ◆ All the skills you need to train domestic dogs
 - ◆ Confidence as an instructor
- ◆ The ability to answer those tricky questions.

Presented by: Karen Sadler
Cost: \$40 per person
Date: Sunday 29 August 2004
Time: 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

This seminar is aimed at both people already instructing and also those who would like to give it a go. There will be practical examples as well as lots of useful information. The cost of the seminar will be \$40 per person. \$15 of this will be used for hireage of the Kennel Centre, a light lunch, morning and afternoon tea etc. Any remaining from this \$15 will be put back in to a fund to be used as a future date to promote instructors within our Zone.

To book a place in the Seminar or for any questions, please complete the attached form and return with payment by 26 July 2004 to:

Jenny Rutherford, 237 Main Road, Pauatahanui, RD 1, PORIRUA
Email: jenny.rutherford@ccdhb.org.nz Ph: (04) 918 5051

Yes, I would like to attend the instructors seminar on 29 August 2004.

- I have enclosed payment of \$40.
- My payment is included in a cheque from my club.

Name: _____ Member Club: _____

Address: _____

Contact Number: () _____