

The Jolly Dog School

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NOVEMBER

Dear Members

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Remind me why there's  
a treat limit again?

Cuz  
I  
don't  
agree



Then speak to your Saturday trainer who say's  
"We are not feeding you lunch"

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DIARISE IMPORTANT DATES

JUNIOR CLUB CHALLENGE – 3 NOVEMBER 2012 @ 14H30 (Shirley, Peter & Fiona's Classes)

JUNIOR CLUB CHALLENGE – 3 NOVEMBER 2012 @ 13h30 (Ingrid's class)

The members of each class challenge each other. Please come along and take part as it is a lot of fun to watch each other compete and you will be surprised how far your dog has come. The results of this event will be announced at the year-end function.

You may want to bring along a chair or blanket to sit on while watching your classmates compete.

Ingrid's class to start an hour earlier (**13h30**) as the judge needs to get through two classes and we don't want members to have to wait too long for their turn.

Cool drinks will be on sale during the afternoon.

Committee to arrive at 12h45.

SENIOR CLUB CHALLENGE / AGILITY TEST – 10 NOVEMBER 2012 – 13H30

Obedience Club Test for those handlers that participate in shows and those whose dogs can retrieve and wish to enter Beginners. This is a more formal competition with outside judges.

If you do not want to compete, please come and watch, and have fun.

Agility Club Test for all Agility handlers.

Cool drinks will be on sale during the afternoon.

Committee to arrive at 12h45

RIVERSANDS WALK – 17 November 2012 – 7h30 for 8h00 SHARP

We have decided to change the walk from Melville Koppies to **Riversands** this year. Handlers and dogs welcome. This is a lot of fun. The dogs really enjoy running free and if you are a bit anxious about allowing your dog off leash you can keep them on leash until you feel more secure in the fact that they will come back to you.

Directions as follows:

Travel North on William Nicol Drive. Cross over N1 and continue past Fourways Mall, The Indaba Hotel and the entrance to Dainfern Estate. Cross the Jukskei River and travel up the hill. Just after the top of the hill look out for an old rust yellow windmill on the right. This is the entrance to Riversands Farm. (About 8km north of Fourways Mall. Directly opposite Verwey Driving Range. **Co-ordinates from Google Maps: -25.964817,28.018867** (see image attached)

There is a nursery and shop at the entrance - continue past onto the farm road. Follow the red and white signs to Paint ball. You will come to a yellow sliding gate. Look for JDS Parking on the grass (either left or right)

Please ensure that you bring water with for both dogs and handlers. As we know that there are ticks in that area, please treat your dogs with a good protection from ticks and fleas beforehand and check your dogs after the walk to ensure that they haven't picked up any parasites.

YEAR END FUNCTION / PRIZE GIVING - 24 NOVEMBER 2012 – 12h30 for 13h00

Our year end function will be held at **Orban School** which is situated at **40 Winchester Street, Westdene/Melville**. This event allows us to get to know each other, have a lunch together, hand out the club trophies and certificates and watch a DVD of our dogs and what they have been up to at training.

Please note that this is a covered venue and we will continue with the function even if it rains.

Please remember to bring your salad or dessert. Please bring your own cutlery and crockery including extra for dessert.

Meat and Drinks will be provided.

All members are encouraged to attend – The school does not allow dogs, please leave them to have an afternoon off.

Orban School – 26 deg 10'-25.66"S, 27 deg 59'- 47.13"E

Guy Fawkes – 5 NOVEMBER 2012

Please be aware that Guy Fawkes falls on Monday, 5 November 2012. Please be aware that firecrackers will probably be heard from Friday, 2 November until Monday, 5 November. If you have a highly strung pet that is afraid of loud noises or strange sounds please keep them indoors and possibly in a room with a radio or TV on to hide the noise of the firecrackers.

If they panic at that time of the year please consult your Vet and obtain medication to calm them.

BackHomeBiotec Microchips – RECALL

A recall of certain BackHomeBiotec microchips has been issued. Should the microchip have been inserted by your Vet they will notify you if you fall into that category that needs to be replaced. If you are unsure please ask your Vet to test the chip. It will put your mind at rest as to whether or not it is working and where it is located on your pet.

Pet Survey

Did you know that an estimated 14 to 62 percent of pet owners let their dogs or cats sleep on their beds?

Don't worry — you're not the only one out there who lets that muddy-pawed monstrosity jump on your bed. Over thirty-one million people in the US do it, too. That's almost 56% of pet owners! So why do so many otherwise sane and clear-headed adults let their hound-dogs have their way? Well, while Cluffy, Fido, and Fluffy may shed, hog the covers, drool, dream, and snore while in bed, they'll never leave your bedside or cheat on you! And I've got to say, dogs can be awfully snuggly, like a full body pillow with a built-in heater, which helps during long Minnesota winters. And I'm speaking from experience here.

Well, now we're getting some grief on why we *shouldn't* sleep with our pets. Emerging Infectious Diseases, released an article called "Zoonoses in the Bedroom." Zoonoses are diseases that

animals can spread to people. In this article, they give a few scary examples: A man developed meningitis, which was possibly due to him allowing his dog to sleep under the covers with him and *lick* his hip replacement wound. In another case, a young boy got plague after having his flea-infested cat sleep him.

While this article appropriately discussed the risks of sleeping with pets, it's important to keep in mind that some of these diseases are extremely rare ... especially when you think about some of the 30+ million people who do so without any problems.

While I think it's important to acknowledge these zoonotic risks, your danger lies more with that 2-legged person next to you! Personally, I love sleeping with my pets. They add more warmth to the bed, they bond to me while I'm sleeping, and I simply feel closer to them when they are snuggling with me. I'm aware of the *rare* risks of sleeping with my pets. In fact, as we speak, my body is in the process of healing some 10-15 ringworm lesions. Point is, if in exchange for pet-lovin', it means that I have to smear tough-actin' Tinactin on my ringworm lesions every few decades, I'll take the risk.

The risk of getting sick from sleeping with, kissing, or being licked by pets is real, but the risk can be reduced by keeping pets healthy. Regular veterinary care is key to having a healthy pet and enjoying the benefits of pet ownership!

Bluntly: don't exchange bodily fluids with your pets! Letting them lick at your wounds? Let's use common sense here, folks!

Where I *don't* recommend sleeping with your pet

- **Asthma or allergies:** If you or your child have allergies or asthma, be smart. Keep your pet out of your room. As you spent 1/3 of your life in your bedroom sleeping, you want to keep a "safe" zone with minimal allergen spread (e.g., a dander-free bedroom!). In fact, the added benefit of a HEPA-filter in your bedroom may allow you to still have a pet despite your allergies.
- **Immunosuppression:** If one of your family members is immunosuppressed due to geriatric age, underlying illness, metabolic disease, cancer, or certain drugs (e.g., steroids, chemotherapy drugs), be smart and keep your dog or cat out of the bedroom. While contact and appropriate sanitary conditions (i.e., washing your hands after contact, etc.) are appropriate, you are potentially more at risk in the bedroom.
- **New adoptees:** I didn't heed my own advice, which is to always quarantine a new addition to your household for two weeks. Within two short days of adopting a kitten, I had rampant ringworm in my house. Unfortunately, all the humans and my 13-year-old cat succumbed to this fungus-among-us, and are all undergoing treatment. New pets should be quarantined in a separate room until they are deemed to be totally healthy!
- **Current illness:** Sadly, while I'm healing from ringworm, my cat is slower to heal, and unfortunately needed to go on expensive oral antifungals (\$20 a capsule!) and medicated lime sulfur dips every five days. Cats can carry ringworm for long periods of time, and may not always show signs of overt illness. So, my cat has been banned from the bedroom until he's completely cured (which typically takes at least two months!).

When in doubt, check with your medical doctor and your veterinarian about the potential zoonotic risks (that means diseases your pet can spread to you and vice versa).

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## Results

| Handler         | Dog     | Show               | Date       | Class                        | Position        |
|-----------------|---------|--------------------|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Emma Buchanan   | Mosley  |                    | 16/09/2012 | Canine Good Citizen – Bronze | Passed          |
| Rita Rheeder    | Chippie | Doberman Club      | 30/09/2012 | Non Contact Agility – L A3   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| Rita Rheeder    | Chippie | Doberman Club      | 30/09/2012 | Contact Agility – L A3       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| Rita Rheeder    | Chippie | Junior Kennel Club | 28/10/2012 | C-Test                       | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| Ingrid Dinsmore | Jayden  | Junior Kennel Club | 28/10/2012 | Novice                       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

## Too much petting could hurt

Toddlers can hurt pets badly. And pets can hurt toddlers badly. So, it's up to the parents to control this potentially destructive situation. Take the following tips to heart.

### Take action:

Never leave pets alone with toddlers. If your baby is crawling, hold your dog in a sit/stay position. Teach your toddler to respect pets from an early age, and always be there for immediate supervision. Teach your child not to disturb the pet while it's eating or playing with toys, and children should also not insist on running after the pet when it's trying to avoid them. Trim your cat's nails regularly, and remember that every pet has limits to its tolerance, even the kindest ones

## Fees for 2013

Training commences on **12 January 2013**. Fees for 2013 remain at the prior year amount. Fees are valid for the full year.

Payment must be made via EFT and please bring the proof of payment with you on 12 January 2013 when you register and a completed registration form, which can be found on our website. The committee has chosen this method of payment due to the risks involved with carrying cash.

Should you make a cash deposit into our bank account, please include R10.00 to cover the bank charges for cash deposits.

Banking details are:

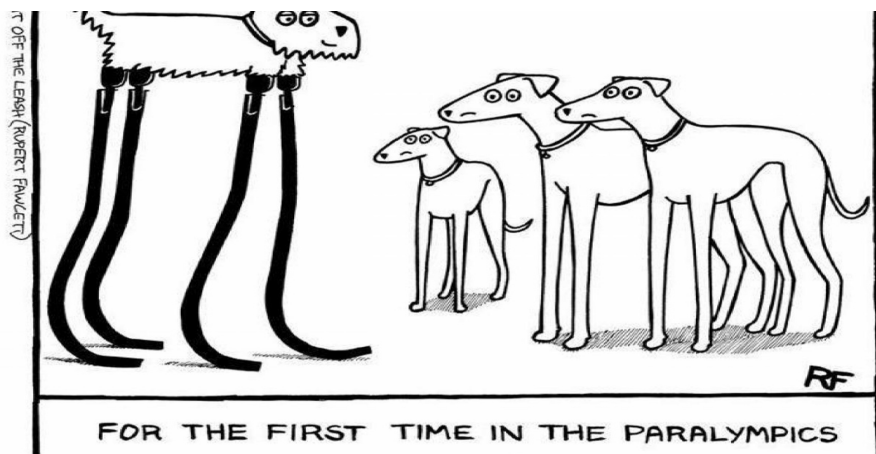
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| Bank           | Nedbank              |
| Branch         | Cresta               |
| Branch code    | 191305               |
| Account number | 1913 204642          |
| Accountholder  | The Jolly Dog School |

The fees are as follows:

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|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Individual membership</b>            | - January – November R400.00 |
| <b>Family membership</b>                | - January – November R600.00 |
| <b>Pensioner / Returning membership</b> | - January – November R350.00 |

## Dog Treats

For our furry friends there are fantastic biscuits for sale. Please contact Peter Dinsmore to purchase/order the dog biscuits. The dogs love them.



## Email addresses

We prefer to communicate by email in order to keep costs down, but understand not every one has this convenience, so will provide hard copies to those without email at training.

If you have an email and have not had a communication from us or are not getting our monthly newsletter please can you email Shirley (etebbutt@worldonline.co.za) so we can pick up your correct address.

Please remember that if you cannot locate your newsletter in order to confirm times and dates of functions please refer to the website which is constantly updated.

## Contact numbers

Website: [www.jollydogs.co.za](http://www.jollydogs.co.za)

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## Secretary:

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## Fun Class - Trainers

Cody Hewitt – 084 900 0609

Enjoy your training

*“The Jolly Team”*