

# Jolly Dog School News Letter



## **OCTOBER -- 2009**

Hallo all members

The end of the year is approaching fast and there are a few events I would like to tell you about.

<u>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October</u> is our AGM which starts at 8pm – everyone is welcome. The venue is -- No 16, Caithness Road, Blairgowrie, Randburg.

**<u>During November</u>** we have the Club tests which are great fun and you can see how much your dog has improved in the past year.

<u>Saturday</u> 21<sup>st</sup> <u>November</u> and weather permitting there will be a lovely dog walk at Melville Koppies West. Starting at 8am. The directions will be in the November Newsletter.

In advance just a reminder to bring water for the dogs and yourself, a hat and sun block.

<u>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November</u> is the date for our end- of -year braai starting at 1pm.

The committee will do a super braai for you and a partner, for which there is no charge, but please could you all bring your own cutlery and crockery.

You will also be asked if you could bring either a salad or a pudding. This way we all get a variety of amazing salads and puddings.

The venue is covered so if it rains (and it usually does) there is no problem. It is advisable to put a jersey in the car, some years it has got really chilly, even though it is summer.

After the braai all the cups and trophies will be awarded not only for the people who did well in Open Competitions but for the Club tests as well.

So please diarize these dates we would love to see you all enjoying yourselves.

### Back to the present. ......

The Club pays the guard at the gate to pick up any dog poos that miss the eagle eyes of their owners, so there is no need for any of you to pay him as well.

There are very few "parcels" left on the field, so thank you all for bringing and using plastic bags.

I would appreciate all the new people sending me their e-mails for the newsletter.

I know they are on the registration form, but sometimes aren't clear and reject.

Also anyone else who hasn't received it on their computer

Many thanks

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IT IS TIME FOR ME TO GATHER IN ALL THE CUPS AND TROPHIES THAT WERE WON LAST YEAR.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU COULD GIVE THEM TO ME AT TRAINING IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO.

Many thanks Shirley

#### YOUR DOG STILL FORGING AHEAD? -- HERE'S A QUICK TIP.

Getting your dog to walk on a loose leash is easy. However, sometimes your dog--especially if he's a young or adolescent dog--will still insist on walking slightly in front of you. He's not pulling on the leash... he's just not walking along side you, in the heel position. (The heel position means that his right leg is aligned with your left leg, and his toes and your toes line up, when you stop).

Many young dogs, especially, don't initially understand the concept of staying parallel to you.

Here's how to fix it:

Take a baby step forward. Only one. If he doesn't take one baby step forward, tug backward with the leash, until he takes a step backward and is parallel to you.

Now take one more baby step forward. Do the same thing again. Continue this for about 50 steps, and you'll see your dog begins to make eye contact and only take on step forward.

Now take two baby steps forward, and stop. Repeat then take three steps. And back to one step.

Practice this, and remember to praise whenever your dog only moves with you, in unison.

Pretty soon, it'll "click" for your dog, and you and your pet will stroll along, picture-perfect.

# **Competition Corner**

Please can all competition results be sent to both Shirley - - etebbutt@worldonline.co.za or 011 787 6303

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# **COMPETITION RESULTS** Obedience and Agility

BERNADETTE AND OLIVER	CAME 1 <sup>st</sup>	BEGINNERS 13 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER. VANDERBIJL PARK
PETER AND KELLY	CAME 3 <sup>RD</sup>	BEGINNERS AT VANDERBIJL PARK

Rita has been working hard ---

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3rd PLACE – CHIPPIE	GOLDFIELDS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 22 AUGUSTLARGE- CONTACT AGILITY
2 <sup>nd</sup> PLACE - CHIPPIE	GOLDFIELDS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 23 AUGUSTOBEDIENCE - NOVICE
3 <sup>rd</sup> PLACE - CHIPPIE	BIRCH ACRES DOG TRAINING CLUB-QUALIFYING SHOW 19 SEPTEMBER 2009
	A1 LARGE- CONTACT AGILITY
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2 <sup>nd</sup> PLACE - CHIPPIE	COLLIE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 20 SEPTEMBER. A1 LARGE- NON CONTACT AGILITY
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2<sup>nd</sup> PLACE - CHIPPIE COLLIE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 20 SEPTEMBER ...LARGE - GRADE 2 JUMPING

#### WELL DONE TO ALL OF YOU AND KEEP IT UP!!

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<u>Happy training from</u> "The Jolly Team"