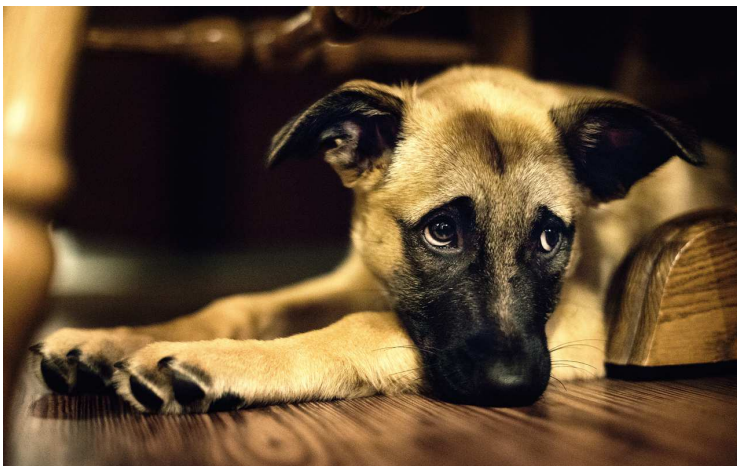




MIDLAND DOG TRAINING CLUB

TERM 3 2013



It wasn't me. Honest!

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President's Report

It's term 3 already. How time flies. We welcome another group of beginners to the club.

Please remember that not all dogs welcome another dog into their space. Many adult dogs object to puppies jumping on them. To avoid any nasty accidents please keep your dog under control and on a short lead when close to other dogs.

The weather is cold and sometimes wet so make sure you have a coat and boots ready. Check the coat that you wear training doesn't rub across the dog's head and that toggles don't flap in front of his eyes. Most dogs enjoy training in the winter weather but some do feel the cold. If you have a short-coated dog you might think about a nice warm coat for him to wear. We do train in light rain.

The club will be running an open obedience and rally-o trial on 18 August and we will need some help from the members. Details appear later in the magazine.

Dances With Dogs classes are well attended by some very enthusiastic members. A very small number attend agility training and beginner classes may cease if attendance doesn't improve. If you are interested in attending either of these classes please see me.

Enjoy your training and try to keep it fun for your dog.

Jan



Class Description & Times for 2013

Tuesdays

Beginners	6:30pm	Beginners. Any age dog can join
Class 1	6:30pm	Basic pet training
Class 2	6:30pm	Obedience training.
Class 3	7:30pm	Obedience training
Class 4	7:30pm	Preparation for CCD and CD
RallyO	7.00pm	Rally Obedience

- Please remember to sign in at the table and pay your \$2 grounds fee to your instructor each week.
- Please clearly print your name (not your dog's!) and which class you are in to help with our records.

Doggy Etiquette

Please ensure you have full control of your dog at all times. Like humans, dogs need their personal space. Please check with other handlers before letting your dog approach another. Some timid dogs can be greatly stressed when boisterous dogs approach, sometimes causing aggression. Some of our dogs are still learning to be nice to each other and progress can be hindered after an unpleasant encounter. You may see a yellow ribbon or scarf used to indicate a very timid dog.



Coming Event

Obedience and RallyO Trial

Our club will be hosting an Obedience and RallyO trial on Sunday August 18th at Jack Mann Oval. We cannot run a successful trial without the help of our members. We need around 15 people all up.

This is an opportunity for you to assist the club and see what is involved in competing. If you plan to compete soon, this is the perfect opportunity to see what is expected and find out how ready you and your dog are. You may be inspired to enter in the near future.

Stewarding a ring is a simple and your duties will be explained to you. You will work with a partner to assist the judge.

A light lunch will be provided.

Although we cannot be sure when the competition will finish as the number of entries is unknown at this stage, the likely time slots are:-

9am-12ish and 10am to 2ish(with a lunch break)

If you can help, please leave your name at the desk.

CLASSES FOR TERM 4 2013
BEGINNERS
Registration October 15th
Classes commence October 22nd
ALL OTHER OBEDIENCE CLASSES
Resume October 15th



Thursday Nights

Agility 6.30pm	DWD 7pm	DWD Advanced 7pm
Jan	Beginners Jan & Vicki	Jill and Amanda
August 1st	August 8th	July 25th
August 15th	September 15th	August 22nd
September 5th	October 10th	September 26th
September 19th	November 14th	October 24th
October 3rd		November 28th
October 17th		
November 7th		
November 21st		
December 5th		



**Remember to check out our website at
www.midlanddogtraining.com**



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Heroic Dogs

LADA THE LOYAL BABYSITTER

Olga, a 22-year-old woman in Saratov, Russia took her dog and her baby son Vadim to a park and met up with friends. After a few drinks, Olga went home and left her baby behind! Luckily, [her dog Lada was with the baby](#). Olga woke the next morning and realized the child was missing. She thought Vadim had been abducted, but her father went to the park and found the baby in his pram, with Lada still beside him. The rottweiler had [stood guard over him all night long](#). Vadim was wet and hungry, but unharmed, and was placed in the care of his grandmother.

BELLE CALLS 911



Kevin Weaver has diabetes. He also has a specially-trained beagle named Belle who can sense when his blood sugar levels are off. She licks his nose, and then paws at him to [signal that he should take a reading](#). In the summer of 2006, Belle put another skill to work. Weaver suffered a seizure and collapsed. Belle grabbed the man's cell phone and [bit down on the number 9](#), just like she had been trained. The number was programmed to dial 911, and emergency workers soon arrived. Belle was later given the [VITA Wireless Samaritan Award](#) for those who use cell phones to save lives. Belle was the first dog to ever win the award.



Dog Training Tips

An excerpt from the Partners Dog Training School website list of 12 tips for training your dog.

Dog Training Tip 3: Motivation

Motivation is more than "good dog". It is an attitude of motivated behaviour. Dogs follow a leader that is fair, positive and motivates them to perform. Motivation teaches them what is acceptable and what is not. You will achieve more through being motivated than you will through being forceful!

Dog Training Tip 5: Structure

Structure your dogs day. Don't allow them to act inappropriately and then punish them for doing so. Establish patterns for going potty, working for food, walking on leash, playing with other pets, spending time with the kids, etc. Think of it as sending your child to school - structure!

Dog Training Tip 8: Baby Steps

Train in Baby Steps! Take things slowly. You achieve better results through building on positive behaviours, than you will be allowing things to crash

Dog Training Tip 9: Set realistic expectations

Rome wasn't built in a day! It takes time to achieve great results, and you need to be realistic in what you expect. Think of training your dog as being teaching a small child. They are willing to learn, if you are willing to teach.





Home-made Dog Biscuits

Ingredients

Serves : 18

- 2 cups (250g) wholemeal flour
 - 1 tablespoon baking powder
 - 270g unsalted natural peanut butter
 - 1 cup (250ml) low fat milk
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Directions

Preparation:15min › Cook:20min › Ready in:35min

1. Preheat the oven to 190 degrees C. Grease baking trays. Stir together the flour and baking powder and set aside.
2. In a medium bowl, mix together the peanut butter and milk. Stir in the flour mixture until well blended. Turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface and knead until smooth. Roll out to 1cm thickness and cut into shapes using biscuit cutters. Place 2cm apart on the prepared baking trays.
3. Bake for 20 minutes or until lightly brown. Remove from baking trays to cool on wire racks.





CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Closed shoes must be worn while training.
2. No smoking.
3. It's your responsibility to supervise your children at all times.
4. Dogs must be on a lead at all times, unless instructed otherwise.
5. Membership badges must be worn.
6. Remember to pick up after your dog.

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Some stores open later on Thursday nights. Pictures for illustrative purposes only. Some products may not be available in all stores. Regional prices may vary. Online pricing may vary to in-store pricing.