

Blacktown Bark



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Tuesday Night Ground Rules

- Please ensure you have a suitable collar and lead for your dog when attending training. Check with your Instructor, or with Canteen staff. They are there to help you.
- Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times unless your Instructor requires otherwise. This is for your safety, as well as others.
- Please clean up after your dog. Keep one or two doggy bags in your pocket just in case. Doggy bags can be obtained at the canteen.
- Keep the ground equipment clean. Make sure your dog does not urinate on the "witches hats" used for class assembly at commencement of training.
- Bitches in season are NOT allowed on the grounds. Please leave the girls at home for the duration of the season as it upsets the male dogs

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is wonderful to be back at training after so many months at home. Your instructors have enjoyed seeing familiar faces gradually coming back and starting up their training again. We have also welcomed one group of new members who are just coming to the end of their first 4 weeks of training. It is great to have you with us and we look forward to getting to know you better over the coming months. We have a new group of beginner commencing next week at the training grounds at Melrose Park. Welcome. The October intake of new members will be the last for the year. This will allow us to build our numbers without overextending our capacity.

The 8th December will be the last night of training for 2020 and unfortunately there will not be a Christmas party and presentation night, due to COVID restrictions.

It was wonderful to see a good turn up of members for the AGM in early September. A new Committee has been elected. Mr Ron Probert, who had been the President of this club for a great many years, chose not to stand for an executive position but remains on the Committee. His wife Jan also chose not to stand for the position of Grounds Secretary, a position she has held for a very long time. Jan will remain as Trial Secretary.

I would like to congratulate Jan on a well run and very successful trial in mid September. Everyone had a great time even though not all were successful in gaining passes. Well done Jan.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2020.

1st Dec

NO NEW MEMBERS.

2nd Dec

Christmas General Meeting.

8th Dec

Last night of training for the year.

25th Dec

Merry Christmas.

*Unfortunately due to COVID 19
there will be no Christmas Party
and Awards for the year.*



I would like to thank Ron & Jan for the many years of hard work they have devoted to the club. While most people know Ron and Jan from Tuesday night training they are probably unaware of the additional time and effort that has been put into the club. It is this that has built the club up to hold a well recognised position in the local community and dog world. We thank you both and wish you well as you now have time to do some of the other things you would like to do including a little travel when this is possible.

I would also like to thank Kevin Speed who has been our Treasurer for many years and also decided to stand down at this AGM. Kevin has done a wonderful job to put the club in a strong financial position and to maintain that position. WE wish you well too Kevin as you take on other pursuits.

Welcome to the new Committee. Some new faces have joined and we warmly welcome you. The new committee is looking forward building on the existing strength of the club.

I will look forward to catching up with you at training.

Denise

**Blacktown Kennel & Training Club Inc.
Office Bearers & Committee – 2020/2021**

President:	Ms Denise Fraser
Secretary:	Mr Steve Thompson
Treasurer:	Mrs Linda Olsen
Vice Presidents:	Mr Ian Olsen Mrs Kathie Minton
Assistant Secretary:	Mrs Trudy Dive
Chief Instructor:	Mr Steve Thompson
Deputy Chief Instructor:	Mrs Trudy Dive
Ground Supervisor:	Mr Ossie Valeschini
Assistant Ground Supervisor:	Mr Peter Guenther
Ground Secretary:	Miss Sharon Patterson
Show Secretary:	Position Vacant
Trial Secretary:	Mrs Jan Probert
Web Co-ordinator:	Mrs Lyn Mansfield
Publicity Officer:	Mrs Karol Bottle
Committee:	Mrs Jan Baker Mrs Lyn Mansfield Mr John Gilhooly Mr Ron Probert Mr Trevor Burton Mr Nigel Andrew Mrs Vicki Andrew

Present. Trudy Dive, Kevin Speed, Kathie Minton, Jan Baker, Ossy Valeschini, Ian Olsen, Lynn Mansfield, Denise Fraser, John Gilhooly, Linda Olsen, Steve Thompson, Sharon Patterson, Brian McKenzie, Louise Patterson, Marion Garnham, Verna McKenzie and Di Potter.

Apologies. As per committee meeting.

Meeting opened 7:50. Minutes from last meeting read. Moved Lynn, seconded Linda. Accepted. Business arising. - not enough tree cut back at new grounds, still too dark. We don't expect council to cut any more - Defibrillator letter not sent yet, Secretary now has contact - We think the grounds have been sprayed. - Fridge. Meeting didn't think Ron's portable fridge suitable. We thank Ron for use of his fridge in the meantime. - On the fridge issue, Linda has found a fridge for \$200. Motion that we buy this. Moved Louise, seconded Brian. Motion carried. Correspondence. Letter from council requesting us to participate in Petfest. We declined to participate this year.

Community Groups List from Blacktown Council to update. Denise has updated. Some emails and phone calls re new members. Letter to Ron and Jan read in meeting. Jan's responses read in meeting. Secretary's report. AGM minutes have been sent to Dogs NSW as requested by them. New members, 25 dogs, accepted as members. Ground Secretary report. Thanks for support and help as she takes over the role. Jan P has provided Sharon with all the information she needs. One of the "one month free" members has become a full member. Blacktown trial. There was good feedback on Oz Obedience Facebook. Council. Brian McKenzie was invited to speak about his correspondence, as a local citizen, with Blacktown Council and other groups into Council's plans for our grounds. Brian recommends the club meet with the council to find out what is actually happening. Kitchen and Bunkers. Volunteers will be needed to help clean out the kitchen and bunkers. Dates and time to be advised.

Meeting closed 9:30.

PROMOTIONS

WHITE TO ORANGE:-

- 1/9 Julie & "Polly"
- 1/9 Cherie & "Toby"
- 1/9 Raquel & "Barney"
- 8/9 Skye & "Ollie"
- 8/9 Chris & "Billy"
- 8/9 Glenn & "Ava"
- 29/9 Robert & "Winston"

ORANGE TO GREEN:

- 1/9 Emma & "Ziggy"
- 1/9 Graham & "Bella"
- 8/9 Nicole & "Jax"
- 8/9 Lisa & "Taz"
- 8/9 Heidi & "Arya"
- 8/9 Russ & "Oscar"
- 8/9 Brooke & "Jeorge"
- 8/9 Michele & "Rusty"
- 15/9 Rita & "Skye"
- 15/9 Ashley & "Ziggy"
- 15/9 Stephen & "Sharnu"
- 22/9 Kiara & "Pippa"
- 22/9 Skye & "Ollie"
- 22/9 Glenn & "Ava"

GREEN TO BLUE:

- 8/9 Melinda & "Greyson"
- 29/9 Rita & "Skye"
- 29/9 Corey & "Bella"
- 29/9 Lorraine & "Coco"



August



- Chris Cooper & "Billy"
- Ben Geekie & "Luna"
- Sue Borg & "Zac"
- Scott Fitzgerald & "Louie"
- Linda Hogs & "Sirius"
- Tony Dundov & "Mala"
- Connor Vernon & "Ernie"
- Kat & "Speck"
- Mikaela & "Sekka"
- Steven Joyce & "Ted"
- Raquel Roukos & "Barney"
- Craig Griffith & "Polly"
- Rita Thompson & "Skye" x 2 Winner**
- Richard & "Rusty"
- Brooke Elson-Gill & "Jeorge"
- Cherie Phillips & Toby"
- Russ Clapham & "Oscar"
- Natasha & "Jordy"
- Ashley Richardson & "Ziggy"
- Roland Surguy & "Ruby"
- Brett & "Ollie" x 2
- David Otte & "Molly" x 2
- Rita Thompson & "Skye"
- Russ Clapham & "Oscar" x 3
- Damien Moorey & "Rocco"

AUGUST INSTRUCTOR OF THE MONTH: Len Amos



September

- Robyn Vernon & "Angie" x 2
- Kathy & Graham Keith & "Bella"
- Chris Cooper & "Billy" x 2
- Corrine Gilholme & "Blacky"
- Wayne Gentles & "Charlie"
- Mel Pook & "Coco Chanel" x 3
- Kristy Strong & "George"
- Melinda O'Brien & "Greyson"
- Clifton Vincent & "Holly"
- Bay Ayling & "Lexi"
- Scott Fitzgerald & "Louie"
- Benjamin Geekie & "Luna" x 2
- Karol Bottle & "Maddi"
- Tony Dundov & "Mala"
- Robyn Rizzardo & "Milly"
- Kirsten Wademont & "Murphy"
- Luna Costa & "Nala" x 2
- Melissa McCabe & "Scout"
- Victoria Kulinich & "Scruffy"
- Mikaela Dundov & "Sekka"
- Linda Hogg & "Sirius" x 3
- Rita Thompson & "Skye"
- Cherie Phillips & "Toby"
- Courtney Smith & "Willow"
- Rob Daniels & "Winston"
- Jessica Jerome & "Zeke"

