**The Recall**

**“Where We Become One”**

**November 2016 mid-term Update**

**BODC TRAINING DATES FOR Term 4, 2016**

**WEDNESDAY TRAINING FOR PUPPIES, BEGINNERS AND CLASS 1**

**Term 4** – Wednesday 5th October – Wednesday 30th November

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

**SUNDAY TRAINING FOR CLASSES 2 – 5**

**Term 4** – Sunday 9th October – Sunday 4th December

9:30am—10:30am

**End of Year Break Up**

Our End of Year break-up is on Sunday December 4th from 8:30am – 10am. There will be egg and bacon for breakfast, presentations, lots of fun and games and demonstrations. Prizes will be awarded to the best dressed dog and handler!

**All classes including the Wednesday night ones are invited to the Christmas break up on Sunday 4th December**

**Training Tips**

All our instructors and committee members are volunteers with a wide and varying range of experience when it comes to dog handling. Please understand that different instructors may teach skills in different ways – there are no hard and fast rules when it comes to the best way to train a dog. The instructor you are working with may suggest a training technique to you that is specific to a problem you are having at that point in time. By the time you have moved up a class and hopefully, that problem solved, your new instructor may well teach or advise you in a different way of handling your dog. If you are confused or want clarification, please, by all means ask. Depending on what is happening in the class at that point in time, you may need to hold your question to the end of class though. Also remember, what works for one dog may not work for the next, so you may hear instructors telling people to do things in different ways. If you feel your dog is not responding well to a particular way of doing things, first check with the instructor to see if you have got things right, but then, have the confidence to try something different. After all, you are the one who knows your dog the best. However, please always feel welcome to chat to any instructor about how your dog is going, particularly if you feel you aren’t making progress – after all, that is why we are there.

**Heat Policy**

If on a Tuesday, the weather forecast for Wednesday, is for 35 C or over practical training is cancelled, no matter what actually happens on Wednesday. Members are invited to come for a DVD or an information session but NO DOGS. However, there will be NO TRAINING OF ANY KIND ON DAYS OF EXTREME OR CODE RED FIRE DANGER RATINGS. If 4 or more training sessions are cancelled during the term due to the weather, then memberships will be carried through for the next term.

\*\***Reminders**: Please do your best to be on time for class. It is disruptive to all in the class (other dogs in particular!) to have someone join late. Please talk to the instructor prior to joining in to make sure you are in the right place.

\*\***Remember dogs need to be on lead at all times** unless instructed to be off lead by an instructor. Off lead play before or after class needs to occur on the tennis courts or in the puppy pens. While your dog may be okay, it may be causing stress or over excitement for other dogs or be an unnecessary distraction for people who are still working with their dogs. Please show respect to other club members by keeping this in mind.

\*\***Parking –** even though parking bays are not defined,please use common sense when parking, ensuring that you are not blocking other cars in or the roadway. Parking is restricted with minimal turning room behind the clubrooms so this area is restricted to instructors and committee members.

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