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Midland Dog Training Club

TERM 4, 2014



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## The Committee

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**COMMITTEE**  
**JASON FEWINGS**  
**JILL PERCIVAL**  
**JAN WELYKY**

## Our Instructors

Jill and Amanda Houston,  
Lesley Lynam, Vicki Nemeth,  
Sally Pleece, June Page,  
Paul Skewes,  
Jan Welyky.



## Christmas Party & Fun Night

Tuesday 16th December 6.30pm

Registrations close December 2nd.

Partners and dependent children are welcome. Please only bring dogs that train at our club. Definite numbers are needed to inform the caterers and to ensure each dog gets a gift.

You can also register for 2015 and avoid the queue in February.

<b>Member Name</b>	
<b>Total number of people attending</b>	
<b>Number of Dogs</b>	





## Titles

If you have gained any titles this year please complete the form below and return it by November 18th.

OBEDIENCE, AGILITY, DANCING WITH DOGS AND RALLY-O  
TITLES GAINED DURING 2014

Please indicate if you would like wine or chocolates. (A Midland tradition!)

Name of Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Title(s) gained:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Title(s) gained:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_



## President's Report

Presidents Report Term 4, 2014

Where has the year gone, term 4 already. It was great to see that the weather was kind to us in Term 3 as we didn't lose too many training nights.

This term we will be holding a CAREERS night for your dogs ( LOL ), demonstrating what you and your dog could achieve. There are so many options for you to choose from, such as Obedience, Tracking, Dances With Dogs and Rally O to name a few. My thanks to Janet for getting this off the ground again and to the handlers and their dogs, who will be demonstrating their skills for you.

As summer is just around the corner, please remember that our dangerous wildlife is starting to get active again. Snake bites can be fatal to your dogs so be aware if you live or walk your dogs in these areas.

Happy Training,  
Paul Skewes

- 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.



## Class Description & Times for 2014

*\* Tuesdays \**

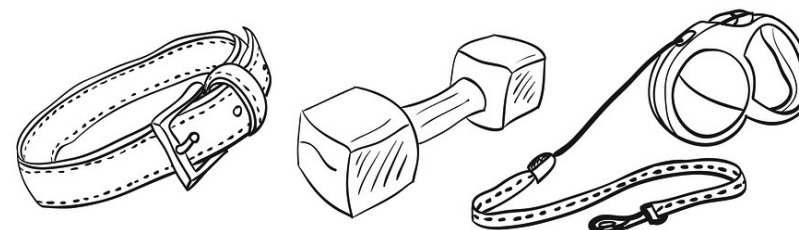
Beginners	6:30pm	Beginners. Any age dog can join.
Class 1	6:30pm	Basic pet training
Class 2	7:30pm	Obedience training.
Class 3	7:30pm	Obedience training
Class 4	7:30pm	Preparation for CCD and CD
RallyO	7.00pm	Rally Obedience



## For Sale

We have a selection of leads, collars and dumbbells available. Come and see us at the front desk for some assistance with our products.

- **LEADS**
- **COLLARS**
- **GENTLE LEADERS**
- **DUMBELLS**



## 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.



# Committee Positions

There are a number of committee positions which will be vacant and eligible for nomination for 2015. These positions include:

- President/Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Trial Secretary
- General Committee Positions
- Newsletter Editor

Nomination forms should be placed in the box at the front table by Tuesday November 25th.

## NOMINATION FORM

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print clearly)

Being a financial member of MDTC (Inc)

NOMINATE: \_\_\_\_\_

To the position of : \_\_\_\_\_

2. I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print clearly)

Being a financial member of MDTC (Inc)

ACCEPT this Nomination of: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Nominator (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Nominee (2): \_\_\_\_\_



# 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.

## Classes for Term 1, 2015

### Beginners

Registration - 3rd February  
Commence - 10th February

### All other Obedience Classes

Resume - 3rd February



## Thursday Nights

### Dancing with Dogs

DWD Beginners and DWD advanced will be held on the following dates in term 4.

October 16th

### Agility

Due to low numbers, agility training will only be held on the following nights during Term 4.

October 16th and 30th

November 13th and 27th

December 11th

If you are interested in agility please ring Jan on 95722907, or catch up with her at training on Tuesdays.

**Remember to check out our website at  
[www.midlanddogtraining.com](http://www.midlanddogtraining.com) or our facebook  
page, [https://www.facebook.com/  
MidlandDogTrainingClub](https://www.facebook.com/MidlandDogTrainingClub)**



Try dampening your dog's blankets or mats with water to create cool resting spots, or you can also buy cool mats and cool jackets specifically for dogs.

**Doggy paddle!** Not all dogs know how to swim! If you have a backyard pool, ensure it is adequately fenced and your dog knows how to swim. Teach your dog to swim to a certain point at the edge of the pool where the stairs are. You can even get a doggy ladder to make the swimming experience easier for your pooch. Or get a small paddle pool (with shallow water) to keep them cool in summer (also makes a great extra water bowl!)

**Pupsicles!** Frozen treats in a treat dispenser or kong or even cupcake liners are a great way to cool down your dog and keep them occupied. Get creative in the kitchen! There are many simple recipes to keep your dog cool this summer. Pet popsicles are a great treat and can be made out of all kinds of things your dog (or cats) eat normally, so experiment to see what they like best!





## Summer Tips for your dog

**So fresh!** Dogs don't sweat. Cooling occurs through panting (evaporative cooling from the lungs and mouth), lying on a cool surface and drinking cool water. Hot weather paired with high humidity are the most dangerous days for dogs as cooling through panting is not as efficient in these weather conditions. Therefore, always ensure that your pet's water bowl is checked on a regular basis and they always have access to clean, fresh water. In the event that you are out, ensure that the bowl is big enough to hold enough water for the whole day. In case of a tip-over, leave two or three water bowls – just in case! You could also pop in a few ice cubes to keep the water nice and cold.

**Shade for the day.** If your pet is in the backyard during the day, ensure they have plenty of access to shade – remember the sun moves throughout the day – so ensure your pet has shade from all aspects throughout the day. Pets can suffer heatstroke or even death in their own backyard on a hot Summer's day without shade or water.

**Sleeping spots.** Dogs will normally find the coolest spot of the house or yard themselves, but place outside beds or mats in shady or cool spots.



## Christmas Party & Fun Night!



Tuesday 16th December 2014,  
at 6.30pm.

Lots of fun activities planned, including...

- \* Dog fancy dress
- \* Games

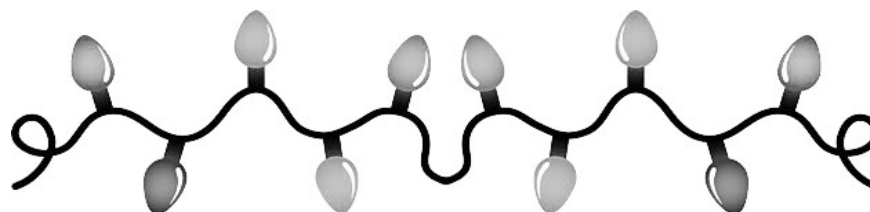
Dinner provided.

Free raffle for members.

Don't forget to bring your dog, or you will have to eat the sausage off the string!

Immediate Family members are welcome.

Please ensure you complete the form on page 13 to register for the night .





## Demonstration Night

There are a number of activities you can do with your dog including:

- Agility
- Obedience
- Dances with Dogs
- Rally Obedience
- Retrieving
- Herding
- Tracking

As many of our members only see the general Obedience being practiced at our grounds, we would like to show you other things you can do with your dog if you are inclined.

We will be providing demonstrations of Agility, Obedience (Trial level) Dances with Dogs, Rally Obedience and Tracking on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November. These are all activities which many of our members already participate in.

Further details will be provided to your class closer to that date and placed on our website [www.midlanddogtraining.com](http://www.midlanddogtraining.com)

[www.dogswest.com/dogswest/Activites](http://www.dogswest.com/dogswest/Activites) provides a short explanation of each of these disciplines with links to the relevant clubs that practice these activities.



## Notice of Annual General Meeting

Date: Tuesday 16th December

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Jack Mann Oval, Bishop Road

MIDDLE SWAN

- Notices of motion must be in writing and must be handed in at the front table by Tuesday November 18th.
- Nominations for Office Bearers and Committee close on Tuesday November 25th.
- Forms can be handed in at the table. The form is available on the other side of this page.

## Needed Urgently ~ New Blood!

Would you like to contribute to the life of the club?

New committee members and office bearers are very welcome. Here is a chance to give your ideas and opinions on what we as a club can offer our members.

Meetings are held once or twice a term throughout the year. We need help to assist at trials twice a year, at registration nights and at our Christmas wind-up.

Committee members also receive discounted membership.