

TEVRA TIMES

January 2007

There is a change to the format of the Tevra Times, as so many people were having problems downloading it. To ensure that everyone gets their copy, please would you advise Janice which of the following formats would suit you best:

- 1) Web site**
- 2) Email**
- 3) Print out (you would collect this on your training day)**
- 4) Posted to you - in which case please let us have stamped, addressed envelopes.**

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PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO TRAINING ON FRIDAY 22ND, SATURDAY 23RD AND SUNDAY 24TH FEBRUARY AS WE ARE OFF TO DUNEDIN TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW TO TRAIN YOU!!!

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NEWS FROM THE BOSS

And so another year starts. Holidays over, back to work, credit cards arriving and soon school returning. And then of course there is always back to training.

As most of you will be aware the numbers of you now training with us has increased to the point where appointment times especially for the competitive people need to be made and kept too. I have been guilty in the past of being rather laid back about this especially on a Wednesday. This is not now going to be possible so I also need to be aware of this.

Please make sure that I give you a time for your next training session at the end of each time and try to keep that time. I realise that things can go wrong with both you and myself but let's do our best. Needless to say your time is your starting time not the time you arrive and then get yourself organised.

While most of us were lazing (in the rain at times !!) over Christmas and then coming to training to say that you had not really done much if anything at all (that's OK) a couple of our group were really working hard with their dogs and have shown great results.

Jo and Linda tell me that they have been training at 18 different parks over the holiday break and have even got Karen in on the training sessions at times. Well done girls !!!

Towards the end of last year there were a couple of occasions where there were some differences of opinions amongst some of you at various shows. It is really important that we stay supportive of each other as there are already enough other people out there waiting for cracks to show in our training team. Lets start the new year on a positive note.

Well that is all for now.

Janice

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CERTIFICATE NEWS

Just to confirm the times for the classes:

Ouruhia Domain:

Friday	6.30 – 7.15	Elementary
Saturday	9.45 – 10.30	Elementary
	10.30 – 11.15	Advanced
	11.15 – 12.00	Intermediate

Amberley Domain:

Sunday	11.00 – 11.45	Elementary 1
	10.00 – 10.45	Elementary 2

Assessments for both Christchurch and Amberley will be at Ouruhia Domain on the following dates:

Elementary	Saturday 3 rd March
Intermediate	Saturday 3 rd March
Advanced	Saturday 24 March

Times to be advised.

Payment for classes: This will remain at \$10.00 per dog. Please ensure that you see Gail when you arrive to pay your class fee, and that she marks you off in the folder. Any other money that you have to pay ie food, equipment please pay to Janice separately.

On training days please don't give your dogs breakfast!!! We use food to train and if they have full tummies they won't be interested!! Also please bring your own saucers, training treats etc.

We know that (most of the time) it is hot and jandals or slip on shoes are the most comfortable, however they are not really suitable for training in. The flapping of the shoe can be very distracting in the dog's ear and consequently they won't be working to the best of their ability. Similarly with skirts that can blow into their faces.

AGILITY:

Wednesday Agility:

Once again Linda and Margaret are giving up their time free of charge to take agility. Please support it or we will lose it.

Beginners 9.45 – 10.30
Advanced and Competition 11.15 – 12.00

Anyone is welcome to attend these classes, however your dog **must** be at least 12 months old to be able to take part in pre agility training. (This is to ensure that their bones and joints are strong enough.)

Fee: \$2.50 if obedience training **that day**.
\$5.00 if not or for casuals.

All fees go towards the purchase of new gear.

We hope to organise a 4 week beginners course on a Saturday morning when Margaret can get 4 Saturdays free to take this.

COMPETITION

CCOC Ribbon Trial – 20 January

Special Beginners:	2 nd	Marilyn Watts and Karly
	3 rd	Jo Donachie and Clhoe
Novice:	1 st	Sonia Parnham and Spring
	2 nd	Janine Johnson and Scandal
	3 rd	Ian Spellerberg and Bessie
Test A:	3 rd	Ian Spellerberg and Bessie
Test B:	3 rd	Viv Good and Bindi
Test C:	3 rd	Carol Lavery and Morgan

Well done everyone – a great start to the year!!!

TEVRA TRIAL

It is our intention to run a Tevra Trial on Waitangi Day – Tuesday 6th February 2007. This will be run according to the same rules as an NZKC Ribbon Trial. There will be an entry fee of \$5.00 per test to cover the cost of ribbons, venue and judges expenses. We will endeavour to have NZKC judges for this. Please note that this is not an official event. It will be open only to Tevra and invited handlers. There will be an update on this in the next week or so once I have a date for another knee operation confirmed. Should this impending operation rule out this date we will organise another time.

GENERAL NOTICES:

Microchipping:

We now offer a microchipping service for dogs of all ages. We recommend this painless and very minor procedure as an additional identification for your dogs. Please be aware that this **does not** replace your Council registration tags, but is an additional safeguard should your dog be lost, stolen or injured. All dogs being registered for the first time are legally required to be microchipped. If you would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact Janice who has literature on the subject.

Cost: \$20.00 per dog.

Tevra K9 Wear:

We carry a full range of high quality equipment and dog food at very competitive prices. These are usually available at training. We are going to have display table set up on some training days weather permitting.

For any requirements please contact Janice.

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Bargain Dog Leads

Due to a manufacturing error we are selling off two toned 25mm leads suitable for medium – large dogs for \$4.00 each. These are in black and orange with a black modification attached. We have 16 of these to sell so if interested be quick.

PUPPY SOCIALISATION CLASS

As there are currently a number of puppies around I am going to run a 4 week puppy socialisation / training class on a Wednesday evening at our house at 7pm starting February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th. The cost will be \$25.00 per dog for those of you who are already obedience training your puppy with me and \$40.00 for those who are not. If you have friends who may wish to come along with their puppies then let them know.