



HOLDFAST DOG CENTRE

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NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2013

2013 is coming to a close, with summer and the holiday season upon us.

On behalf of our committee, management & staff, we wish all our members a Merry Christmas
and a safe and happy New Year!

Our final obedience classes for the year will conclude on

Saturday 14th December & Monday 16th December.

Classes will resume on

Thursday 30th January 2014 from 6pm & Saturday 1st February 2014 from 8am.

Agility classes will resume mid/late March 2014.

Day Care concludes @ 6pm Tuesday 24th December,

and resumes @ 7am on Tuesday 7th January 2014.

Training class schedules and membership forms for 2014 available on our website.



2013 CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER FROM 1:00PM AFTER TRAINING CLASSES

SAUSAGE SIZZLE PROVIDED (INCLUDING BREAD & ONIONS)

BYO DRINKS – THERE WILL BE SOFTDRINKS FOR SALE

ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE:

11 LEGGED RACE : DRESS UP RELAY : APPLE BOB RACE

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION (BEST CHILD/DOG, BEST DOG)

BEST TRICK COMPETITION

\$5 PER ADULT – CHILDREN UNDER 12 & DOGS FREE

CALL US OR SEND US A TEXT OR EMAIL TO RSVP – THANKS!

A SUMMER PUPSICLE TREAT FOR YOUR 4 LEGGED FRIEND

When the heat outside becomes too much to handle, whip up a batch of these frozen dog treats. You and your dog can still enjoy the great outdoors, once you're prepared to beat the heat with fresh water, shade and lots of delicious homemade dog treats. When it's hot outside, the last thing you want to do is turn on your oven. That's why we developed a quick heat free dog treat recipe. You can customize with dried herbs. We like dried parsley, but dill is a wonderful and traditional choice for seafood dog treats. If you don't have dried herbs, don't sweat it. These frozen dog treats are just as good plain. Do you prefer to make [vegetarian dog treats?](#) You can make this dog treat recipe vegetarian by using a 1/2 cup of pureed fruits or vegetables in place of meat.

Ingredients:

- 1 - 5 oz. can of tuna in water
- 2 cups of plain non-fat yogurt
- 1 tbsp. dried parsley

Instructions:

1. Empty the contents of the can of tuna in a medium bowl. Do not drain the water.
2. Using a fork, break apart the tuna until it is completely shredded into small pieces.
3. Add the yogurt and dried parsley.
4. Stir until thoroughly combined.
5. Using a spoon, carefully fill each compartment of your ice cube tray.
6. Freeze until solid, a couple hours, depending on the size of your cubes.
7. Release only the amount of cubes from your tray that you will be serving immediately.
8. Store the unused cubes in the tray, or in a labelled freezer bag.

Storing - These frozen dog treats must be kept frozen. They will keep fresh in the freezer for up to 6 months.

RSPCA
Dogs die in hot cars
Share this today and save a dog's life

Never leave your dog alone in a car

If it's 22°C outside, inside a car it can get to 47°C within 60 minutes

In hot stuffy vehicles dogs cannot cool themselves down, even with the windows open

Heatstroke can be fatal to dogs

If you see a dog in a car on a warm day, call 999
www.rspca.org.uk

CAR TEMPERATURE DOG SAFETY CHART

RUNNING INTO THE STORE FOR "JUST A MINUTE" CAN BE FATAL FOR A DOG LEFT IN THE CAR!

IF IT'S THIS HOT OUTSIDE:	IT ONLY TAKES THIS LONG:	TO REACH THIS INSIDE:
75°	10 MIN.	100°
75°	30 MIN.	120°
85°	5 MIN.	90°
85°	7-8 MIN.	100°
100°	15 MIN.	140°



DON'T LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR THIS SUMMER!

K-10*

www.k-10plus.com

KEEP YOUR DOGS SAFE & COOL THIS SUMMER!



Phoenix Files

Hi, my name is Phoenix, I am a Leonberger and I am six years old. I have a brother, named Baker. He is six too, and is an Afghan Hound. My mum calls me Doofus, which means very smart dog...she calls me that a lot. She doesn't call Baker that, so I know I am smarter than him...but he is very good too.

My mum went away for a Dog Training Conference. I didn't get to go, which is pretty funny isn't it, because I am a dog and I like training. Maybe Mum forgot to take me, which isn't very smart, no-one ever calls her a Doofus. She was gone for five days. We missed her a lot. When she got home I was so excited that I could not control myself at all. I wagged and squealed and wagged some more. Baker wanted cuddles too, but my butt got so out of control that he kept getting knocked out the way! Mum gave me an envelope. I love envelopes. Whenever she gets home I get one, and I hold it in my mouth and then I wobbly around, but not as much, and I don't jump at all! Mum laughs and says I'm a Doofus so I know it's a very smart thing to do. BUT I hadn't seen my mum for five days and that was way too much joy for one envelope to contain. Baker was squealing cos he couldn't get to Mum, Mum was laughing and trying to pat us but I couldn't even stay still for that. I needed something and fast! I gave a quick look around and my Doofus brain saw the solution....a box of tissues!! If one envelope can help most of the time, then a whole box of tissues should be great! I ran over and grabbed it and guess what? It did work. See, that is why I am a Doofus, I work out stuff. After I ran a couple of circles with that tissue box I took off outside...that's what envelopes help me do, run around a bit and "get it out of my system". Well that tissue box was great! Awesome. I shook and ran, and wiggled and chewed, shook and wiggled and chewed some more. That poor tissue box didn't have a chance. By the time mum had cuddles with Baker and came out to see me, that box was done. Mum had that surprised look on her face.....she gets that a lot....and said something about snow! I looked around at what I had done. Snow must mean lots of white stuff laying around cos those tissues were EVERYWHERE!!

I think I should tell you about a friend of mine. His name is Jett, and he is a border collie. He is probably smart cos most border collies are, but he is not smart about sirens! He doesn't like them at all. Or maybe he does? I don't know. But they make him howl. Head back, mouth in the air, howl like a wolf! And he has figured out that if he does that, other dogs howl with him...so I guess that is smart (but being worried about sirens isn't cos they can hurt you). When we here a siren at day care he runs over to a group of little dogs, that are also running to him, and they all howl together. Then Mum and Jenny and Morgan and Mary all have to run to them to stop them making so much noise! I just lay somewhere and watch. The girls call it the choir! Choir must mean noisy and screechy. Or Loud.

Are you coming to our Christmas Party. It's on soon, and that means Santa is coming too. The party is lots of fun. Games and food and Santa comes and gives the dogs a treat.

Have a Happy Christmas everyone, and make sure your dogs get lots of great presents and toys but not bad snacks that make them sick.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

HISTORY OF HOLDFAST DOG

CENTRE

When the Brighton and Glenelg councils merged in 1997 to create the City of Holdfast Bay, there was a move to adopt the dogs on beach by-laws of Glenelg council which pretty much meant virtually no off-lead access for dogs, to any beaches in the Holdfast area. The Brighton council by-laws were much more tolerant with much less restrictions.

Prior to this a group of Brighton residents, who regularly exercised their dogs off-leash and shared coffee at the caravan park kiosk, formed the Brighton Dog Owners Association (BDOA). The main purpose of BDOA was to provide a voice for dog owners with the merger of Brighton and Glenelg looming large.

At this time, relations between the council and BDOA were very confrontational. This improved when BDOA adopted strategies aimed at demonstrating to council that there could be benefits from working with BDOA. BDOA, for its part, move from an attitude of "What are you doing about this" to one of "Look what we are doing to help you"

One strategy was that members of the group carried extra poo bags when on the beach. They would offer them to any dog-owner who didn't pick up after their dog – a bit of name and shame.

Another strategy was to run dog obedience training. These classes were run on the Bowker street oval. There were no facilities other than a key to the public toilet and the oval was shared with several sports clubs. May Raffan, who was a founding member of BDOA, used to attend all of these classes regardless of weather – she didn't run the classes but was there to enrol members, collect fees, etc. It was May who moved the association in the positive direction – she was fanatical about the Canine-Good-Citizen

award. The total number of dogs in classes at that time would have been around 10-20.

May also was also our only life member until her death about 5 years ago.

Anyhow. The good news is that Holdfast Council adopted the Brighton by-laws and we change the name of BDOA to Holdfast Dog Owners Association Inc. (HBDOA). We soon realised that HBDOA was a bit of a mouth full and we registered Holdfast Dog Centre (HDC) as a subsidiary company of HBDOA.

Next newsletter, we will talk about how we got our existing club house and training grounds and the origin of Doggy Day Care.

INTERNET SITES OF INTEREST

DOG RESCUE GROUPS

Looking for a new friend? Speak to us too, we are often looking for a great new home for a dog that we know.

www.sadogrescue.com

www.rspcasa.asn.au/ or

www.adoptapet.com.au

www.awlsa.com.au

FACEBOOK

Find "Holdfast Dog Centre" or "Karyn Molloy" on Facebook for clips, fun stuff and updates about dogs.

YOUTUBE

Search KarynM to see dog day care clips.

OTHER SITES

www.soe-bioremedies.com.au

www.rosehipvitalcanine.com.au/

www.apdt.com.au

www.lostpetfinders.com.au/pet-alert

<http://positively.com/>

<https://awards.stayz.com.au/finalists/pet-friendly>

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