

DOMESTIC DOG TRAINING CLASSES

TRAINING TIPS

Free-running dogs should not approach dogs on lead because:

1.Handler may be training

2.Dog or handler may have an injury or have had recent surgery

3.Dog may be fearful

4.Dog may be aggressive

5.Handler may be elderly

CLASSES

Puppy Class

Instructor: 9:00
Gay Mohi

Beginners

Class 9:00
Instructor:
Lloyd Brown

Intermediate

Class 9:00
Instructor:
Stephen

Advanced 10:15

Class
Liz Scott

Rally

Obedience / 10:15
CD Class
Instructor:
Ann Neil

Good

Companion 10:15
Dog Class
Instructor:
Pauline
Rukuwai

Phoenix Dog Training Club

Bristol Park, Bristol Place, Te Rapa, Hamilton

Training Day: Sunday, Time: 9am-11:15am

TERM THREE

30 JULY 2017

Indoor Winter Games with Dogs

The dark and wet of winter usually limits outdoor dog activities. Winter is a great time to take your training, fun and dog games indoors.

Jumps are always a great activity. Make jumps across doorways. How about using doorways at either end of the hall as well as one into a room on the left or right off the hallway? These are inside jumps and should be kept low – to your dog's elbow height only. Make these jumps from; cardboard box sides or books topped with broom handles. For safety, floor surfaces should not be slippery. Have your dog stand over one side of the jump and you on the other. Be far enough away from the jump to allow landing room. Call your dog. Move to the next jump and repeat. Now place your dog in a room behind the jump

at one end of the hallway and move to the other end. Call your dog over the two jumps. How about standing just passed the left or right doorway jump? Call your dog and direct it over the second jump into a bedroom. After each sequence praise your dog.

Now try the 'egg' and spoon game. This can be varied and fun too. Hold in your hand a large spoon. Place a tennis ball onto the spoon. Call your dog to heel. Walk wherever you choose. Look straight ahead – not at your dog. Now stop. Praise your dog for his/her concentrated attention. Toss the ball from the spoon directly up into the air but near the dog's nose and play together with the ball. Alternatively, drop the ball occasionally when walking. A dog concentrating will usually catch the ball.

Praise. If you have more than one dog, make the others lie on mats or contain behind baby gates while one dog does the exercise. Occasionally praise and reward the dogs on the mats too – for good behaviour

Have each dog's favourite toys in a toy box. Make the dog sit on a mat and wait. Choose a toy to hide. Go to another room close by. Hide the toy. Initially make the toy easy to find until the dog understands the game. Return to the dog and instruct it to find the toy. Offer praise the instant the dog finds the toy and play with the toy when the dog returns to you.

Games are best played before meals. A full tummy requires rest. When choosing games also, take into account each dog's age, weight, height, health and physical condition.

With all this activity, summer days will seem not too far away.

Committee

2017-18 committee

President: Lloyd Brown

Vice President: Gay Mohi

Treasurer: Ann Neil

Secretary: Lesley Clinton

Club Room Officer: Victoria Scott

Committee: Liz Scott,

Heather Westerby-Jones, Vicky Reid

The committee are the people to approach should you have Club queries; have information/items for the newsletter or items to go to committee meetings.

Have each dog's favourite toys in his/her toy box



Club Members' Class Certificates



Before/after class
join other club
members for a cupa
and chat

(Starters class dates vary)

**Term Dates
2017**

Term 2

30 April - 2 July

Term3

23 July -

24 September

Term 4

15 October -

17 December

Christmas

Break Up

17 December

2017

Congratulations to members and their dogs who successfully completed their Term 2 classes enabling them to go on to the next learning level.

Starter Puppies:

Erica Smith with Skyla, Owen Shrub with Hudson, Ann Neil with Jorgia, Reid Broderick with Nico and Dan Parry with Charlie

Beginners Class:

Victoria Cooper with Lotti, Catherine McCaffrey with Zeus, Shelley Bishop with Jet, Louise Brook with Floyd, Peter Smith With Cindy, Jamie Thurston with Rasta, Gerry Macaskill with Honey, Victoria Scott with Jamie

Intermediate Class:

Abigail Groves with Daisy, Isabelle Groves with Pixie, Anton Coote with Diesel, Graham Pollard with Candy

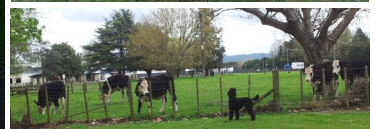
Good Companion Dog

Class - Intermediate

Celia Hope with Lucky

Intermediate & Advanced

Pauline Rukuwai & Jazz



Floyd

Horotiu Park

Featherstone Park



This park is a hidden gem, tucked away off River Road, with acres of rolling grass, native bush and even a safe swimming spot in the river for the dogs.

Located just north of Flagstaff shopping centre on Featherstone Drive. Other than regular mowing this park has no other amenities such as paths, rubbish bins, etc. It's almost entirely fenced in, so safe for free running, and has lots of bunny smells for the dogs to track.

Don't be fooled that there is only one large area at first sight.....look for a gap in the shrubbery on the right and a little further on you'll find another large area. This is where there

is a rough track down to the river and even a nice bench seat for your comfort. There is very little river current so very safe swimming for the dogs.

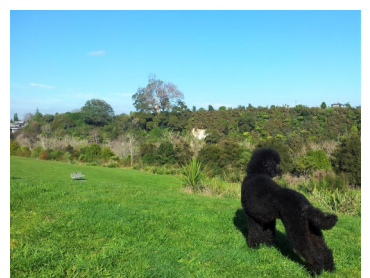
There are no signs up regarding dogs so guess we can take it as an off leash area. If using your 'chucker' to throw a ball check the 'flat' area as many dyps. Waterproof footwear - for people - best in wet weather Just a couple of dogs rules to remember:

1. Pick up your dog's poo.
2. A dog out of sight is a dog out of control (Dog Law)

Directions from our Club: Once on Te Rapa Straight head north, turn right and

cross Pukete Bridge, turn left at bridge lights. Approach the Flagstaff round-about (RAB) veer left to keep on River Road. At next RAB keep left on River Road. There are two Featherstone roads. Take the second and follow the road to the end.

It's good to have a variety of places to take our dogs, so if you have a favourite dog play area email hewjones.ankh@gmail.com for it to be added to a newsletter. Send a photo too.



Featherstone Park