

Waggy Tales



Some Festive Fun

We're already full of good cheer here at BDTC. In fact we started our celebrations back in October, with a team dinner to mark another successful year at 'The Green Barn'. (Sadly, none of us thought to take any photos though, oops!)

Now, with Christmas just a couple of weeks away, it's officially time to start the merrymaking. So what have we got planned? Christmas jumpers, silly hats and lots of fun and games, that's what!



There will be Musical Chairs, Egg & Spoon relays, Quickest Sit competitions and much more. There may even be prizes for some lucky dogs.

(Willow, left, who attends our Puppy Agility and Novice Obedience classes is hoping she might win something tasty.)

So for festive fun (whatever the weather), make sure you don't miss our last classes of 2017.

And merry Christmas to you all!

Christmas Closing Hours

The entire BDTC Team will be taking a well-earned break in the coming weeks, to spend some quality time with their loved ones (both 2-legged & 4-legged) over Christmas & New Year.

The centre will therefore be closed from 1.30pm on Sunday 17th December until 9.30am on Tuesday 2nd January 2018.

The field will continue to be available for hire, except for Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day. Call Val to book as usual.

Your BDTC Newsletter

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Class Schedule



| Day | Class | Time | Duration | Details |
|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Monday | Puppy Enrolment | 6.30pm - 6.50pm | - | - |
| | Puppy Starter | 7.00pm - 7.30pm | 30 mins | with Clare / Sue / Jessica |
| | Puppy Improver | 7.30pm - 8.00pm | 30 mins | with Clare / Sue / Jessica |
| | Novice Obedience | 8.00pm - 8.45pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue / Jessica |
| | Intermediate / Top Obedience | 8.45pm - 9.30pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue / Jessica |
| Tuesday | Agility Courses | 9.45am - 1.00pm | 45 mins | with Sue / Jessica / Clare |
| | Puppy Agility Course | 1.00pm - 1.45pm | 45 mins | with Sue / Jessica / Clare |
| | KC Good Citizen Course | 7.00pm - 7.45pm | 45 mins | Suspended until Spring 2018 |
| Wednesday | - | - | - | - |
| Thursday | Puppy Enrolment | 9.00am - 9.20am | - | - |
| | Puppy Starter | 9.30am - 10.15am | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Puppy Improver | 10.15am - 11.00am | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Beginners Enrolment | 10.30am - 10.50am | - | - |
| | Beginners Obedience | 11.00am - 11.45am | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Novice Obedience | 11.45am - 12.30pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Intermediate Obedience | 12.30pm - 1.15pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Top Obedience | 1.15pm - 2.00pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Puppy Agility Course | 6.30pm - 7.15pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Puppy Agility Course | 6.30pm - 8.15pm | 45 mins | with Clare / Sue |
| | Friday | Rally-O Courses | 7.30pm - 9.00pm | 90 mins |
| Saturday | Private Agility Lessons | 10.00am - 12.00pm | 30 mins | with Jessica |
| | Greyhound Class One | 10.15am - 11.00am | 45 mins | Alternate weeks with Angela |
| | Greyhound Class Two | 11.00am - 11.45am | 45 mins | Alternate weeks with Angela |
| | Greyhound Class Three | 11.45am - 12.30pm | 45 mins | Alternate weeks with Angela |
| | Agility Courses | 12.00pm - 6.00pm | 45 mins | with Jessica |
| Sunday | Puppy Enrolment | 9.00am - 9.15am | - | - |
| | Puppy Starter | 9.15am - 9.45am | 30 mins | with Pauline / Clare / Jessica |
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Note: If you have missed class for 6 consecutive weeks (4 weeks for puppies up to 7 months), please contact your trainer, who will review your position and decide on the appropriate class for you to continue.

Canine First Aid Success



On Friday the 17th of November we hosted our first Canine First Aid course here at BDTC, in conjunction with The Canine First Aid Company. Starting at 10.30am the course was a whole day event and we had 15 people in attendance, 6 of whom went on to gain full accreditation, meaning they can use the qualification to further their careers.

Topics covered included unblocking airways, finding a pulse, bandaging, treating burns and heatstroke and how to perform CPR. On top of the written and oral instruction, the day involved lots of hands-on work, using a range of toy dogs as well as fully operational CPR models.



Melanie helping Helen (L) & Val (R) to practice their resuscitation techniques with the CPR models.

The feedback we have had from those who attended has been very positive. Helen Small, who did the accreditation version of the course, says, "I'd definitely recommend this course to others. The instructor, Melanie, was a really good speaker, holding our interest through the whole day. But the best part was that we got to be hands on as we learnt. I hope I never have to use the things I learned, but if I do I'll feel a lot more confident having practiced them before."

In light of all the lovely comments we've had, we have decided to run more courses in the future, with the next one being scheduled for Friday, 23rd February. You can find more details and register your interest on our new website page - bdtcentre.co.uk/firstaid



Recent Class Promotions

Puppy Improver Class - Clair Lockett & Rex, Irene Patel & Roxi, Jackie Hailes & Gatsby, Lisa Granville & Teddy, Paul Backer & Maddie, Sheila Clayton & Isla, Sophie Scully and Joseph Baxter & Bella, Stephen Clark & Cooper, Tracey and Roger Hurrell & Parsnip, Vikki and Robin Harrison & Lily.

Novice Obedience Class - Alpa Tanna-Smith & Penny, Cheryl Baster & Teddy, Debbie Rooke & Daisy, Elaine Bass & Paddy, Joan and Alison Lee & Alfie, Kelly Smith & Kizzie, Lorraine Smith & Willow, Patrick Kirby & Dexter.

Greyhound Class Two - Steve Mackay & Bullet.

Bronze KC Good Citizen - Bethany Saunders & Dexter, Clare Murphy & Devin, Heather Sargeant & Jess, Heather Shackleton & Zalena, Jane Hall & Cody, Patrick Kirby & Dexter.

Well done everybody!

Latest Course Info ...

Agility is a great way to further your dog's training. It involves a wide range of equipment, with the height of the obstacles varied according to the size of your dog. We also offer dedicated Puppy Agility classes, which are tailored to be low impact, due to the fact that your pup is still growing. Why not come and give it a try? All ages and breeds welcome. Fun for all.



Puppy Agility Courses with Sue / Clare (6 week courses)

Starting: Tuesday 9th January 2018 (45 minute session at 1.00pm)
Cost: £36 (payable on first week)

Starting: Thursday 25th January 2018 (45 minute sessions from 6.30pm)
Cost: £36 (payable on first week)

To book, please contact Sue (07800 511579)

** Pups must be good with other dogs **

*** Puppies must be 9 months or younger ***

Adult Agility Course with Sue / Clare (6 week course)

Starting: Tuesday 9th January 2018 (45 minute sessions from 9.45am)
Cost: £36 (payable on first week)

To book, please contact Sue (07800 511579)

** Dogs must be good with other dogs **

*** Small breeds must be 12 months or older - Large breeds must be 14 months ***

Adult Agility Course with Jessica (6 week course)

Starting: Saturday 13th January 2017 (45 minute sessions from midday)
Cost: £36 (payable on first week)

To book, please contact Jessica (07732 358700)

** Dogs must be good with other dogs **

*** Small breeds must be 12 months or older - Large breeds must be 14 months ***

Onward & Upward

This Christmas marks the end of our second year of trading as BDTC. It's been great to see so many familiar faces return for yet another year, we love watching your dogs continue to progress. But we've also been thrilled to welcome lots of new faces to our books in 2017 too, which is wonderful.

So we'd like to say a great big thank you to everybody who has been a part of our journey so far and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you in 2018!

Val & the BDTC team.

