



BANKSTOWN SCHOOL FOR DOGS

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Sherelle & Gary Bradley & Baxter – Cocker Spaniel X
George & Connie Triantafillidis & Rocky – Bishon Frieze

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations go to Karen (one of our flyball handlers) on the birth of her second daughter, Haylie Ava born on the 19th December.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thank you everyone for helping to make this Christmas party the best yet. The weather was hot, but that did not spoil the fun and the dogs enjoyed having a dip in the paddling pool.
A big thank you must once again go to Josef for manning the BBQ, it must have been unbearably hot, but still he gave us some great food.

The winners of the games were:

Fancy dress

1 st . Enks Skinkis & Ava	2 nd Cassandra Baldi & Coco	3 rd Vivienne Zavattaro & Chloe
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Sausage on a spoon

1 st Michael Davis & Sally	2 nd John Walsh & Sherlock	3 rd Cassandra Baldi & Coco
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Best Trick

Primary class

1 st Nicole Armstrong & Roxy	2 nd Mo Abdullah & Marshall	3 rd Wendy Marfleet & Buddy
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Infants

Janelle Johnson & Chinta

Kindy

Ian Shaw & Penny

Check chain in a bucket

1st Emmeline Parent

Blindfold

1st Aminah Abdullah & Marshall

Musical Mats

1st Michael Davis & Tammy

BANKSTOWN SCHOOL FOR DOGS RESUMES AGAIN ON SUNDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2010

Excerpts from a Dog's Diary.....

8:00 am - Dog food! My favourite thing!

9:30 am - A car ride! My favourite thing!

9:40 am - A walk in the park! My favourite thing!

10:30 am - Got rubbed and petted! My favourite thing!

12:00 pm - Lunch! My favourite thing!

1:00 pm - Played in the yard! My favourite thing!

3:00 pm - Wagged my tail! My favourite thing!

5:00 pm - Milk bones! My favourite thing!

7:00 pm - Got to play ball! My favourite thing!

8:00 pm - Wow! Watched TV with the people! My favourite thing!

11:00 pm - Sleeping on the bed! My favourite thing!

Excerpts from a Cat's Daily Diary. ..

Day 983 of my captivity.

My captors continue to taunt me with bizarre little dangling objects.

They dine lavishly on fresh meat, while the other inmates and I are fed hash or some sort of dry nuggets. Although I make my contempt for the rations perfectly clear, I nevertheless must eat something in order to keep up my strength.

The only thing that keeps me going is my dream of escape. In an attempt to disgust them, I once again vomit on the carpet.

Today I decapitated a mouse and dropped its headless body at their feet. I had hoped this would strike fear into their hearts, since it clearly demonstrates what I am capable of. However, they merely made condescending comments about what a "good little hunter" I am. Bastards.

There was some sort of assembly of their accomplices tonight. I was placed in

solitary confinement for the duration of the event. However, I could hear the noises and smell the food. I overheard that my confinement was due to the power of “allergies.” I must learn what this means and how to use it to my advantage.

Today I was almost successful in an attempt to assassinate one of my tormentors by weaving around his feet as he was walking. I must try this again tomorrow—but at the top of the stairs.

I am convinced that the other prisoners here are flunkies and snitches. The dog receives special privileges. He is regularly released - and seems to be more than willing to return. He is obviously retarded.

The bird has got to be an informant. I observe him communicating with the guards regularly. I am certain that he reports my every move. My captors have arranged protective custody for him in an elevated cell, so he is safe. For now.....

From the committee we would like to wish everyone

A Happy Christmas & Safe & Happy New Year