



THE WEEKLY WAG

NEWSLETTER

BANKSTOWN SCHOOL FOR DOGS

May/June 2011

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Tiffany Lam & Milo – Kelpie
Jim Jones & Benny – Corgi X

Natalie Nagle & Jazz – Staffy
Rudy Vanderhart & Baron - Poodle

Vick Evans & Marley – Staffy

Welcome back Allen Reay & Gypsy

QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND

There will be NO training on the Queens Birthday long weekend – Sunday 12th June

AGILITY

Sorry everyone but there will be NO agility training during June as Colin will be away. Experienced handlers are welcome to put out and use the agility equipment if they wish, but please use safely, and return it to the container when you have finished

WELL DONE VIVIENNE

Did you know we have a budding artist in the club? Vivienne submitted a couple of paintings to the Royal Easter Show and won a Highly Commended for one of them and sold it too. Very well done!! Quite a few years ago Vivienne painted a picture of my Springer Spaniel 'Chelsea' doing flyball. It has pride of place in my sewing room so I get to see it every day.

CONGRATULATIONS

At the Royal Easter Show Wendy Casey got 'BEST OF BREED' & 'BEST PUPPY' with Rotty CJ. Very well done Wendy, you must be thrilled

SAM'S ENCOUNTER IN THE PARK

The other day Colin & I took our two dogs to the equestrian park for a run like we do most days. Since it has got quite a bit cooler we decided it would be ok for them to run off lead as the snakes should have, if not hibernated at least be somewhere hiding. Not so! Sam started barking and prancing around and when we looked he was trying to play with a brown snake. Fortunately, he had jumped back a bit and was just out of range although, if he had made the snake angry enough, I'm quite sure it could have outrun (or slithered) Sam by a mile. We were very lucky and managed to call the dogs off (Ebony of course was on her way to see what Sam was doing) with lots of treats. We are now being a lot more careful. But the reason for the story is: BEWARE THE SNAKES ARE STILL ABOUT, THIS ONE WAS SUNNING ITSELF IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PARK.

KEVIN LAHIFF

If any of our long time members who remember Kevin would be interested in going to visit him, I'm sure he would really appreciate it. He is in Bankstown Aged Care in Chiswick Road, Greenacre and has been there for some time. He really misses his dogs and loves to hear what we are doing at the club. We visited him last week and were pleased to find him in good spirits and keen to learn how everyone was going.