



BAYSIDE COMPANION DOG TRAINING SCHOOL

What to Expect

**Club Aim: to provide experiences that are Friendly - Positive
- Rewarding!**

First Day

Please arrive at 9.00-9.15 on your first day so we can process your membership before classes start.

After becoming a member of the Club, you and your dog will be asked to join a beginners class and be introduced to the training methods of the Club.

Enjoyment is an essential aspect of the classes, so feel relaxed and confident that you will be made welcome and given positive encouragement.

The class will entail:

An overview of what is involved in training your dog.

The sorts of commands you will be learning and how to start your dog off with training.

Tips on all aspects of dog ownership.

A few laughs at the dogs that are naughtier than your's...

Next Class

We suggest you arrive at 9.15 - 9.30 to allow your dog to socialise, play and burn off some excess energy.

From your second day onwards you will learn the basic commands and the reasons we use them as well as the hand signals and why we use them.

Sit, drop, stand, stay and wait.

You will learn about crossing the road, going through gates and doors and you may even learn how to growl!

Progress Your progress through each level of the club will depend on how you and your dog manage the training.

There is no "right" amount of time at one level before progressing and dogs all develop at different speeds. Many owners decide to stay at one level as they and their dogs just like coming along each week!

After beginners, the next level is yellow. Then there is green, beige, blue and red. By which time you and your dog will be pretty well trained (well, most of the time...).

At the top level you can decide if you want to try being competitive at agility, flyball or obedience - or just join in the fun of doing tricks, stunts and games!

Check the starting times as you go up through the levels as, on Sundays, more advanced classes start later.

What you need to do Arrive at the times indicated above and bring the following:

- * Lead and good firm collar
- * 'Treats' to reward your dog as it shows you how clever it can be!
- * Bags for the dog poo
- *!** On your first day we will ask to see your dog vaccination certificates and again on annual renewal

Familiarise yourself with the rules and guidelines of the Club and the use of the parkland