



## Where dogs **WANT** to learn!

Group classes are held at 11 Belmont Rd, Tingalpa (UBD 162 R10 – next to the Belmont Road Vet. Parking in Palgrave St next door)

We have ample room outside for several members/friends of the family to attend classes. N.B. Our training facilities include an undercover area, so training takes place even when raining.

### **Check list of essential\* and/or recommended~ items to bring to class**

- 1) \*If not already submitted (which is preferred!) both registration with payment & dog profile forms. If paying by cash please have the **exact** amount in a clearly marked envelope.
- 2) ~Your dog's crate to carry him/her & to secure safely when you are required elsewhere
- 3) ~A short lead that reaches from your left hip to your dog's collar when he is by your side ∞
- 4) ~An ordinary belt or a training belt, or belt lead, for hands free loose lead walking ∞
- 5) ~A 5 or 10 metre lead for 'come' exercises (but not a retractable lead for early training) ∞
- 6) \* Soft collar - buckle or clip - or head halter, but **no** check chains please. ∞
- 7) \* A hungry dog that has had only 1/2 of the usual size previous meal
- 8) \* A supply of **high value** tasty treats - what your dog considers '*to-die-for*' special treats ∞
- 9) ~A belt (bum) bag to keep treats out of sight ∞
- 10) ~A water bowl for your dog – as it is a safer practice not to drink from a communal bowl
- 11) ~A hat & suitable, sturdy non-slip footwear for training (i.e. thongs/ sandals are unsuitable)
- 12) \*A motivator for your dog – e.g. a favourite squeaky toy that s/he gets excited about ∞
- 13) ~A mat for your dog to lie on for the '*settle & be calm*' and '*go to your place*' exercises
- 14) \*Plastic bags for pick up
- 15) ~A towel to dry your dog should you allow him/her to use the swimming pool

∞ These and other items, equipment and good training books are available at our training facility at prices usually significantly less than found elsewhere.

### **Ground Rules**

**(It is a condition of entry to classes that these rules be read and adhered to strictly)**

1. All puppies/dogs that come to training must be wormed, fit and healthy. Puppy owners must produce a first current vaccination certificate for puppy school.
2. No bitches in season or puppies or dogs suffering from infectious diseases are allowed.
3. Children are very welcome provided they do not play on the equipment or disrupt classes.
4. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to scheduled start of class to exercise your dog so that s/he gets used to the area and is ready for the lesson.
5. If your dog fouls anywhere on the grounds, you must pick up completely and immediately with a plastic bag and place the bag in one of the bins provided.
6. Dogs must be kept on a lead & under **adult control** & supervision at all times.
7. Always ensure there is adequate space between your dog and other dogs.
8. Constantly watch your dog and be alert to what s/he is about to do and take action to prevent aggression and fights.
9. Please wear clothing & sturdy, non-slip footwear suitable for training (no thongs or sandals)
10. Please wear the nametags provided & return them to the box at the end of class.
11. Please do not smoke during class, have mobile telephones switched on or have conversations with other people while the instructor is talking.
12. No collar other than a fixed collar, head halter or harness may be used on a dog.
13. Harsh handling or abusive language is unnecessary and will not be allowed.
14. Please let your instructor know if you will be unable to attend any of the classes. [If possible a space will be found for you in the equivalent week of the next course and/or a '*catch-up*' up session arranged.]
15. Be happy! Training should always be seen as 'FUN' – for you, your dog & for other people!