



THE KID'S EDITION

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Hi everybody

Welcome to the August edition of the Kid's Dog Guardian. For those of you who are new members let us introduce ourselves. We are the Dog Guardian newsletter co-editors' dogs - Tyler, Julie's pup, and Morgan, Jill's pup. We decided the Kid's newsletter needed articles written by us dogs. We want to give you guys a dog's perspective of being responsible around us dogs. 🐕



Dogs with jobs

Did you guys know that some dogs have special jobs? Yep, they do. They love their jobs. In this newsletter we would like to tell you about guide dogs. They help people who are blind to get around. Guide dogs go everywhere with their owners, like restaurants, movie theatres, hospitals, the work place, schools, even on the airplane.

A guide puppy starts off like any other pup, learning the basics and exploring the world. He moves in with a family for a year to 18 months. This is where the puppy learns to trust people, to have fun with kids, to play, basic obedience, and lots more. Then the puppy is ready for 'doggie university'. He goes to the training centre where he learns important things like how to lead his new blind owner, and things like just because he can go under the tree branch, his owner, who is much taller, cannot. He also learns how to lead his owner across a major intersection, how to behave at his owner's work place, and other essential skills.

Then he gets matched up with his new owner. They spend about a month at the training centre getting used to each other and learning all the special skills they both need. Then, off to the bright new world full of adventures and excitement.

Draw us a picture of a guide dog. Send it to morejulie@hotmail.com and we will print it in the next newsletter.

Teach Your Dog a Trick

Bet you always wanted to be a teacher ☺. Well your dog is a very willing student. Let's teach him how to crawl. Your friends are going to be so impressed and will think your dog is the smartest dog. I really like the "Love your dog" website

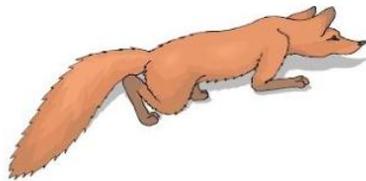
<http://www.loveyourdog.com/tricks.html>

They make teaching your dog a trick so easy. Watch the video to see how Bonnie, a very cute collie, learned to crawl. Here are the links to the video and

instructions: <http://www.loveyourdog.com/tricks2.html# crawl>

<http://www.loveyourdog.com/crawlbonnie.html>

"Start by having your dog lie down. Hold a treat just in front of his nose and say, 'Crawl'. If he starts to stand up, say, 'No, down ... crawl'. Pull the treat away, keeping it low, near the ground and say, 'Craaawl'.



When your dog moves even an inch or two without standing up, praise him and say, 'Good dog! Craaawl', and give him a treat.

TIP: Your dog must know 'Down' before he can learn this trick". This is a great skill to have if you want your dog to help you get objects that rolled under the couch. You have taught your pup how to crawl underneath. Now you just have to teach him to pick up the object under the couch and bring it back to you!" (Top marks if you noticed this is a picture of a fox not a dog ☺)

Dogs' Den storybook

This month we are talking about doggie schools and meal etiquette. (Remember things that are fun and safe to do are in blue, and things



We love to go to doggie classes to learn how to behave. You have fun going to school and so do we in our school 😊

Please don't disturb us when we are eating. Some of us get very possessive of our food and may bark or growl at you. Where food is concerned we don't want to share.



that we don't like and are dangerous are in red.)

Colouring Contest

Our advice of the month from the 'Fido, Friend or Foe' activity book is to remember to take your dog for regular check ups. You go to the doctor to make sure you stay healthy and so do your dogs. Their doctors are called vets. The vet also looks after their teeth. Grooming and nail care are very important too. My dogs like going to the vet because they get lots of cookies there.



All pets should visit the veterinarian regularly.

Colour the picture of the dog visiting the vet. Scan or take a photo of the picture you coloured, and send it to us at morejulie@hotmail.com with your email address. We will choose a winner each month and post it in our newsletter for everybody to see.

Quiz

We sure covered a lot of stuff in this newsletter. Let's review. Having difficulty? Just scroll up and read the stories again. (To check the answers, look at the bottom of the quiz and then stand on your head. Just kidding!)

1. What do guide dogs do?
2. What does your dog have to know before you can teach him to crawl?

3. Why do dogs go to doggie classes?
4. What should you do when your dog is eating his dinner?
5. What are doggie doctors called?

*1. They help people who are blind to get around. 2. Lie down 3. To learn how to behave. It's also fun.
4. Leave him alone. Let him eat in peace. 5. Vets*

Answers

Thank you

A big thank you goes to our committee for proofreading this newsletter. We really appreciate your help. You are the greatest. A special thank you to Kit Watson for the final proofreading of the newsletter.

Tyler and Morgan