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Bark-Worthy Newsletter

What's News...

Welcome back to the Playful Pups Doggy Daycare Newsletter!

It's been another fun, busy few months here at your puppies favourite place. As always our days have been filled with cuddles, scratches and games but we've also been hard at work improving the facility and making it the best possible place to be!

One big project we've been working on behind the scenes is improving our fencing. We've installed the first section along the front and it looks amazing. Not only does it look nicer, it's easier to clean and provides a visual barrier. Helping the puppies to settle and sleep better during nap times.

We celebrated Blitzen's 5th Birthday with a special birthday week. Blitzen is a very special and loved boy who landed on his feet, in his fourth and final home with Joe! He comes to daycare everyday and was most likely your puppies first friend here. We played lots of Blitzen's favourite games, had cake and everyone who came to play got a party bag!

We are also asking for submissions for dog profiles! On the next page you'll find the big mans, Blitzen's profile. We'd love for you to answer the same questions for your puppy so we can share it in the next newsletter and on our social media profiles.

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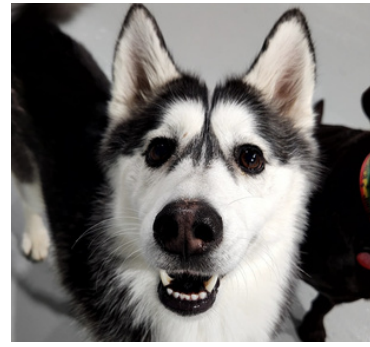
HAPPY BARK-DAY

POWDER PUPS GROOMING TIPS





- 1 I live with** This is my 4th and forever home as my Mum and Dad got me from German Shepherd Rescue when I was 18 months old.
- 2 The nice thing about my home....** I am always the centre of attention and I love barking at the postman!
- 3 My perfect day involves** Going to daycare with my dad, fetching ball and playing with my best mate Biggie! I also love the beach and biting the waves! (which ends up with runny poo which my parents love)
- 4 My preferred activity is....** Playing ball with my dad, then with anyone else that wants to play ball with me. I also love love love going to daycare and then love barking at my dad when he leaves the pen.
- 5 My favourite place to sleep is** On my dad across his legs, ensuring he loses feeling in them!
- 6 I often wonder** How many smackos I can have before they say NO!
- 7 I find it difficult to** To not be next to my dad, even when he's in the toilet! I also find it hard to not bark at the "ring chime" on my dad's phone!



Who's New in the Pack!

We have welcomed many new friends to the pack, including

Alfred the Beaglier

Joey the Dachshund

Luna the Husky

Bear the Cavoodle

Hella the Boxer X

Halo the Samoyed

Billie the Cavoodle

Rosie the Bull Arab X

Mia the Maltese

Ferdinand the Schnauzer

Ted the Moodle

Hunter the Labrador



Wilbur the Great Dane X

Fiadh the Dachshund

Kernow the Labrador

Faye the Sheepadoodle

Poppy the Borderdoodle

Hazel the Whippet

Ollie the Labradoodle

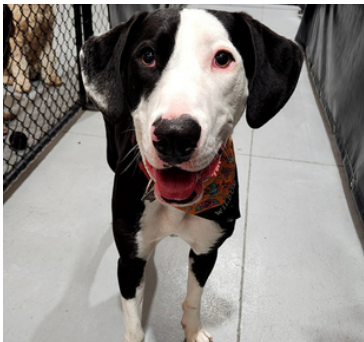
Howie the Aus. Shepherd

Freddie the Frenchie

Jett the Kelpie

Zeus the German Shepherd

Pepper the Golden Retriever





"You can usually tell that a man is good if he has a dog who loves him."





MYTH

My dog got matted over the weekend



FACT

It takes weeks of not brushing or brushing incorrectly to form mats in a dog's coat. Most owners try to do the right thing by brushing their dogs, but end up only surface brushing instead. (Which leads to matting)

Powder Pups Vanity Room



Happy Bark-Day!

This month we celebrated Birthdays for:

- Maverick the Labrador who turned 3
- Jax the Border Collie who turned 3
- Neela the Heeler who turned 3
- Roxy the Labradoodle who turned 3
- Willow the Rottweiler who turned 2
- Buster the Labrador who turned 3
- Blitzen the GSD who turned 5
- Bellatrix the Beagle who turned 3

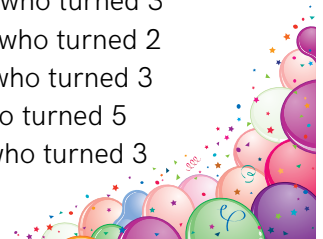




Photo Gallery



Meet the Team:

Rachelle

Maker of Cakes!



Why do you love working with dogs?

I've always been a super passionate dog lady, I adore them – they are a lot nicer than most people. I've worked in a lot of high-pressure sales positions over the years and I'm now at the stage of life where I want to do something I love, makes me happy and puts a smile on my face – which is working with pooches

What's your experience?

I've worked at doggy daycares for almost seven years and have a Certificate in underdog training and behaviour consulting.

What animals do you own?

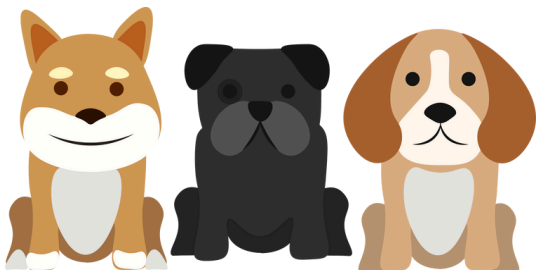
I have two adopted pooches: Pepper is a nine-year-old Schnauzer cross Cavalier. Sammie is a nine-year-old Chihuahua/Jack Russell, and unfortunately has lots of health issues. She's a very special girl and I am her person – we share a very special bond.

What's your favourite dog film?

Best in Show because it's very close to the truth!

What are your interests outside of Playful Pups?

I enjoy a very full life with food and wine, mosaic art, boxing, markets, music, the All Blacks, gardening, swimming, the beach, my fur babies and my family.



Breed Highlight

Samoyed
Starring Echo.

Who wouldn't fall in love with that trademark Samoyed smile! As you might have guessed with their long, fluffy coat the samoyed comes from a cold background. Descending from Serbia with the Samoyedic people, the Samoyed dog would work alongside them in this tough environment.

They would assist with many jobs such as herding and guarding Reindeer, hunting, sledding and most importantly helping the family to keep warm during the cold Arctic nights. Don't be fooled by their smiles and cute appearance, the Samoyed is an all round working dog.

Despite possibly being mistaken for a Polar Bear the Samoyed is a sweet natured friendly dog who loves people.



Underdog Training and Behaviour Consulting, Tips and Classes

Our friends at Underdog are running classes here at Playful Pups! High quality training and advice in a place your dog already feels at home, Underdog's group classes are a great way to learn some new skills or sharpen some old ones.

Running Saturday mornings from 9AM

Head to the Underdog website to book your spot.

Underdog Training Tip!

Does your dog struggle with recall, this common issue can be improved with a few changes to your training.

1. Avoid letting your dog practice not coming back. Set them up for success and keep them on lead if your unsure.
2. Turn it into a game. Play chasing games to reinforce your recall.
3. Practice more often in all kinds of environments.
4. Recall more often, ask your dog to come back, then return to play. Show them recall doesn't mean the end of good times.





Dogs, Translated!

Displacement Behaviours.

A displacement behaviour can be many different things, think of it is an out of context behaviour in place of a big feeling.

A common one is your pup bringing you a toy (that you can't actually have) when you come home at night,

It may also look like yawning, scratching or sniffing in a situation where those behaviours don't fit, as a way to cope with stress.

Like stopping play to scratch themselves continually.

Reviews.

Thanks to Terence, Christina and Nola!

Great Daycare. Joe, Renae and the team are all really lovely and helpful. Our pup has been going here for a couple months now and we constantly get updates, feedback and have had chats to them too about any of our concerns. Everything is addressed and the staff will happily take their time to have a chat with you.



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