

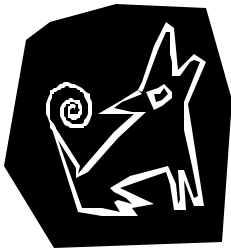
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8th Annual
HALLOWEEN
HOWL
OCTOBER
20th!!!

Mark your calendar and start planning your dog's costume as the Eight Annual Halloween Howl will be held October 20 from 11am to 2pm at the off-leash area. There will be pet-friendly vendors displaying their products and services, a silent auction, raffles, and of course the popular doggie costume contest (judging at 1 pm). **Dog MUST be licensed** to WIN awards as we now have new dog park laws in effect.

If you would like to participate as a vendor or donate to the silent auction or raffle, please email o.l.a.e@comcast.net. Volunteers are welcome too!

Donations are tax deductible and donors will be acknowledged at the event and in O.L.A.E.'s newsletter and on the website.

Dog Park Laws now in effect!

Special thanks to Senior Animal Control Officer Debbie Dawson for discussing the need for specific dog park laws for our area and Councilwoman Buckshnis who started the process and crafted laws using examples from other cities. These laws were codified last month and are now in effect so look closely at the new laws as Animal Control Officers are visiting the area often. Currently, warnings are being issued for those dog owners that do not have licenses for their dogs. Even if you do not live in Edmonds, your dog must have a valid license from the city or county where you live.

Do you know How to obtain a dog license?

A dog without a license can mean a fine to the owner of \$100.00. Officer Dawson has been visiting the

dog park and has found that many park users think that they rabies tags that they get at the veterinarian office are a license. NO!!! Each city has licensing requirements for pets. So, dog owners should visit their local cities' website and look for licensing costs. Dog licenses in Edmonds are mandatory. The annual fee is \$5.00 for a neutered male or spayed female and \$18.00 for an unaltered animal.

All adult dog licenses expire on December 31st for that licensing year. A temporary puppy license is required for dogs under six months of age. The cost is \$5.00 and the license is valid until the dog is six months old.

Senior citizens, age 65 years and older, are allowed to purchase their license for \$3.00 dog license for neutered/spayed dogs only.

New dog licenses go on sale November 1st for the coming year. The signature of the dog owner on the license application will also require proof of the neutering or spaying.

Animal licenses can be purchased at the Edmonds Police Department during regular business hours, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. At this time, the City of Edmonds Police Department is not set up to process animal license fees on the internet with an online payment. If you wish to purchase a license by mail, please call the Animal Control voice mail at 425-771-0205.

Visit http://www.ci.edmonds.wa.us/anim_faq.stm for more details.

Yappie Club Members!

Special thanks to Kelly Koszo, who as an employee of McKinstry Co Charitable Foundation, participated in their annual giving campaign. O.L.A.E. received \$250 recently and that money will help for the fencing for the small dog area.

O.L.A.E. Directors' wish to give heartfelt BIG thanks to Webmaster Alicia Brattin, who is always behind the scenes, as she provides us with our wonderful website. Her volunteer hours are "paid" to us from Microsoft as it encourages its employees to provide volunteer work. She is AWESOME for all the work

she does. So, visit our website at www.olae.org and check out all our sponsors.

Why we use stainless steel bowls!

We wish to thank those park users that bring bowls for the park as we have had stainless steel bowls stolen from the park. Plastic bowls can be problematic as they can harbor bacteria and cause skin irritation.

So please be cautious and if you can, wash any of the bowls. We will be removing the plastic bowls as we are not responsible, but we are educators.

New Eagle Scout project now on track for fall

Many of you have requested that we create a dog area specifically for smaller dogs so that they are able to socialize without interference of the bigger dogs. Again, thanks to our O.L.A.E. Director and Assistant Scout Master Shay Hastler and Parks and Recreation Manager Rich Lindsay, the off-leash area will soon have a small dog pen.

Thomas Tangen of Boy Scout Troop 312 will be earning his Eagle Scout Badge with this project. Thomas, a sophomore at Edmonds Woodway High School, is has been working on this project. The pen placement will be west of the agility course and an area of 30X20 feet.

This will be O.L.A.E.'s fifth project with the boy scouts in conjunction with Edmonds Parks and Rec. Manager Rich Lindsay and Diane Buckshnis and Shay Hastler our O.L.A.E. Directors.

about US

O.L.A.E. (Off-Leash Area - Edmonds) became a non-profit organization in August 2005, to fulfill our mission to steward and maintain the off-leash dog area in Edmonds. Please visit www.olae.org to learn more about us and our mission.

Become a member

There are a lot of good reasons to become a member. Member dues go towards promoting and

improving our dog park. Members will receive a subscription to our quarterly newsletter which provides information on upcoming events, news and educational features. All donated funds are TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

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