

O.L.A.E. Newsletter

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Happy Anniversary to O.L.A.E.!!!

This park is sustained by volunteers like YOU! We celebrated our 7th year in December and are always looking for new volunteers or Board Members. We meet once a month and our main event is the Halloween Howl. We also hold t-shirt sale events in summer. Our Annual O.L.A.E. Board Meeting was held in December; our new Board Members can be found on our website. If you have any comments or are interested in becoming more active with O.L.A.E. contact volunteerdogs@gmail.com. We always need help.



7th Annual
Halloween
howl was
great
success!!!

Our Halloween Howl was a perfect day with good weather and record crowd. Costumes were awesome and very imaginative. We made over \$1,000 and everyone seemed to enjoy the vendors, raffles and silent auction items. It was a great day to enjoy our wonderful venue. Once again, a special thanks to Animal Control Officer Debbie Dawson for spending the day with us and helping educate our users, supporting our group, and selling animal licenses.

We would like to thank the following vendors and sponsors for helping us make this event a great success: "All the Best Pet Care"; "Aussie Pet Mobile of Edmonds" "Ballard Mailbox"; "Corinne Beuchet of the Hair Company on 84th"; "Dining Dog Café and Bakery"; "Beauty and Beastie Baubles"; "Blue Collar Dog House"; "Body Work Pilates"; "Fabric of Life Boutique"; "The Honest Kitchen"; "The Papery"; "Pet Sitting by Lisa"; "Running in Motion"; "Shorehound Dog Walking Co."; "Stella & Floyds Professional Pet Care Services"; Sheila Swenning of Three's Company Hair Design"; "Sweet and Swedish"; "Walnut Street Coffee"; "The Whole Pup"; Dr. Tracey Wayman; Bonnie Klasell; Cathy Boyd; Mary Kathleen and Alina Hagstrom, Diane Buckshnis, and Karyn Weed.

We also want to thank Glenda Konkol, Corinne Beuchet, Diane Buckshnis, Alicia Brattin, Shay and Kyle Hastler, and Lori Parsons for helping us organize and host the Halloween Howl.

Yippee to our Yappie club Members

Our Yappie Club members have grown. We really appreciate their generosity and support: "All the Best Pet Care", Alicia Brattin; "Aussie Pet Mobile"; "Bailey and Banjo"; "Blue Collar Dog House"; "Dining Dog Café and Bakery"; Jennifer Susan Lill and Eric Johnson; Rose McGoun and Clancy; "Stella & Floyds"; "The Whole Pup"; "Petosa's Family Grocery"; Dean, Shay and Kyle Hastler; our wonderful doctors and friends at "Edmonds Westgate Veterinary Hospital" and "Helping Hands Veterinary Hospital".

Please try and support all our local businesses and sponsors. Visit <http://www.olae.org/supporters.html> to see all of our supporters and Best Friends Lounge Members.

Doggie "POOP" Bag dispenser S coming soon!

Special thanks to Mr. Steve Fischer and City of Edmonds Stormwater Engineer Program Manager Jerry Shuster who were able to secure a grant designated to "storm water education" that enabled the City to purchase 4,000 "poo collector" bags. Special thanks to Mr. Shuster who worked with Custom Bioplastics and was able to convince Mr. Dick Mathes to donate ten dog dispensers to City of Edmonds (a savings of \$600.00 dollars). You may email him at dick@custombioplastics.com to thank him for his generosity.

Dispensers will be placed on Sunset Avenue, City Park, Yost Park, Pine Ridge Park, Interurban trail near Lake Ballinger and Mini Park near the restrooms at Ferry holding lanes. Dispensers will be installed at these test locations in about a month. More dispensers, at additional sites, may be added in the future. So please, scoop the poop as a clean city is a healthy city and it makes all dog owners look responsible and caring. Also remember that picking up - by extension helps keep our streams, creeks and our lovely Puget Sound clean.

The Board Members of O.L.A.E. have offered to provide funding for bag replacements since one of our mission statements is to educate dog users of the importance of proper dog feces removal. If you have other sites in mind let us know.

Water STILL off

The beach faucet water is OFF until spring; please keep in mind when you are visiting the dog park that dogs should NOT drink the salty Puget Sound water. In the winter, OLAE volunteers bring gallons of waters daily. If you feel the urge to bring down a gallon and take an empty back, please be helpful.

DO NOT LEAVE ANY EMPTY PLASTIC BOTTLES AS THEY WILL FLY INTO THE SOUND! PACK THEM OUT WITH YOU – PLEASE!

Another eaglescout project completed

Thanks to Alex Young, Scout Troop 312 (and their parents), O.L.A.E. director Shay Hastler, and Edmonds Parks and Recreation Manager Rich Lindsay, we now have an agility course.

Unfortunately, the jump poles have been vandalized twice! Please, if you see anyone not treating this area or the park with kindness, call 911 to report it.



Next time you see any of the Edmonds Park and Rec. staff, say “**Thank-You**” as they have fixed the damaged jump poles. Many hours have been spent working on this project, so please enjoy the course and discourage any aggressive behavior.

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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P.O. Box 1562
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Please check one: ? New Member ? Renewal
Please print clearly:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Email: _____

Dog(s) names: _____

Can we email you the newsletter: ? Yes
Contact me to help volunteer: ? Yes

Annual Membership

- ? \$ 10 Individual
- ? \$ 20 Family
- ? \$ 50 Sassy Supporter (name on website)
- ? \$100 Barking Lounge
(free advertising on O.L.A.E. website).
- ? \$200 Yappie Club Level
(free advertising on O.L.A.E. website & newsletter).

Make check payable to **O.L.A.E.** Thanks!

Current Yappie Club Sponsors:

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Alicia Brattin
Jennifer Susan Lill and Eric Johnson.
Rose McGoun and Clancy
Shay, Dean Hastler and Kyle



Note: O.L.A.E. is not responsible for any illness or injury incurred during park visit. For information, please visit www.olae.org and look under rules and responsibilities.