

General tips & guidelines of the meet-ups

The meet-ups are a great opportunity for you and your dog, to do what you do best... enjoy the outdoors together! Below are some guidelines and tips, to ensure smooth running and safety for all.

1. At the beginning of the walk, Muddy Paws will greet all dog owners as one, go over the route, as well as any general advise & safety tips.
2. All dogs will be kept on leads, unless otherwise stated by a member of the Muddy Paws team. There may be opportunities for dogs to be unleashed, but this will depend on the location, and other contributing factors.
3. All breeds, all sizes, all ages are welcome. If you know your dog will not cope around multiple strangers or dogs, become anxious, fearful or reactive, you may opt out of these types of meet ups. As much as these meet ups may appeal to you, your dog will not thank you if they're not ready or can't handle these types of situations. Aggressive & dangerous dogs, will not suit this walk.
4. All dogs must have their collar/harnesses checked beforehand. This is to make sure no dogs slip out of them, and become loose. We advise all owners to also check their leads for damage or wear. Family members are welcome to join.
5. Photos or videos may be taken throughout the walk. Although photos will mainly be of groups & dogs, if you do not wish to be pictured, please let us know beforehand.
6. Owners will attend the walk for different reasons. If you or your dog would not like to be approached by other dogs, please politely make that clear to the approaching dog/owner. Alternatively, please sport a **yellow** lead, harness, bandana or coat, clearly showing your wishes or dogs needs written on them.
7. Whilst all reasonable precautions have been taken, attendance is at the owner's risk, and the organisers cannot take responsibility for loss, damage, or injury however caused to dogs, persons, or property.

8. Disclaimer:

I hereby agree that Muddy Paws Dog Training, shall not be held responsible for any injury, damage, or loss that my dog or I may receive while attending the Muddy Paws Big Social Meets. I further agree to pay for any injury or damage that my dog may cause to other animals, people, or property. Dog and owner may be asked to leave the group with no notice at the discretion of the group leader. Examples of behaviour that necessitate expulsion include but are not limited to, aggression, abusive nature, intoxication, and lack of co-operation. By attending the Big Social Meets, you are agreeing to the above guidelines.