

Jersey Junior Dog Handlers Association



Newsletter, September 2012

THE CLUB continues to go from strength to strength and we ended the summer term with a very successful games evening and barbeque. We are now running one puppy class, three bronze Good Citizen classes, one silver Good Citizen class and one silver/gold Good Citizen class.

The show handling/ringcraft class continues to grow and be successful under the watchful eyes of Collette Allen and Angela Steel.

Our flyball dogs have now appeared three times in public, twice at the Queen's Diamond Jubilee fayre run by the Royal Jersey and Horticultural Society and once at the West Show, St Peter. The weather was far from kind to them on two of the occasions but they must be commended for bravely turning out and putting on their display in far from perfect conditions.

We also held a very successful obedience competition and companion Show in conjunction with the Jersey European Agility Festival in May. In the obedience, judge Neville Uden had competitors from the UK and Jersey while

the companion show saw competitors from the UK, Europe and Jersey.

The fun classes were judged by Kevin Pamplin from Radio Jersey who did a great job and also gave us plenty of airtime on his programme which was good publicity for the club. The judge for the pedigree classes was Rachel Le Masurier.

We also held a very successful raffle and thanks must go to our secretary Liz Boschat for scrounging loads of super prizes. We must also thank Pet's Paradise for generously sponsoring the obedience show, companion show and providing some raffle prizes.

Now as we start this new term we are looking forward to welcoming back our existing members as well as meeting new ones.

Our canteen continues to run and it made enough money in the first seven months of this year to entirely fund the barbeque. We would still like members to donate home made cakes for us to sell as these go down a storm!

CHRISTINE MARETT

A MUST TO BRING TO TRAINING

Even the most well trained dog can have an occasional accident. Please make sure that you have with you on training nights the following: pooch bags, kitchen roll and a non-bleaching spray to clean up should your dog be caught short.

While on the subject of training if you are using treats to train make sure they are tasty, examples would be cooked chicken, sausages and cheese cut into small pieces.

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DIARY DATES

Nov 27:

Christmas Party & Annual General Meeting

16 June 2013:

Companion Show to be held with Kennel Club of Jersey's 125th anniversary show

July 27-28:

Obedience Show and training weekend.
Details to be confirmed

CO-OP NUMBER

The club's Co-Op share number is 325473, please use it if you do not have one of your own or you may wish to donate your dividend to us occasionally.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

We are collecting used postage stamps in good condition for the local Guide Dog Association so please save your stamps and place them in the box on the table.

CANTEEN

The committee would like to thank everybody for donations of home made cakes for the canteen and if there are any new members who would like to bake a cake for a Tuesday night then it would be most welcome. When training is in the marquee we do not have the facilities to make tea and coffee.

ETHEL SHAW

WE ARE sorry to record the death of Ethel Shaw at the age of 92. She was heavily involved with the Jersey Junior Dog Handlers when it was founded in 1983 up until the early nineties. It was Ethel who sent a Toy Poodle to her granddaughter Frances Hurley which led to Frances' mother Jacqui Hurley founding the JJDHA.
The following obituary appeared in DOG WORLD newspaper:

ETHEL Shaw, who died recently at the age of 92, was born in Collyhurst, Manchester. She met her future husband Jack, who worked for British Rail, on a special 2/6d evening train trip to the Blackpool Tower Ballroom. Jack travelled from Yorkshire and Ethel from Manchester. They were married in 1940 at Ethel's home church in Manchester.

They lived through the war with Jack enlisted in the army and by a quirk of fate, due to his birth date, he was one of the first in and the last out. Malcolm was born during this time and they spent the war both in Yorkshire and Manchester with the grandparents. While in Manchester Ethel went to work at the Co-op who were very good to her with a shower of wedding gifts, and she also worked for A V Rose, Manchester, manufacturers of the Lancaster Bombers.

In 1947 they bought a house in Mirfield, Yorkshire, and Jacqueline was born. Ethel decided to help support the family and went back to work as a wages manager for Mitre Sports Football Company. Her efforts meant they had many happy family holidays over the next years.

On retirement Jack and Ethel sold their home in Mirfield and went to live with their daughter in Jersey where they enjoyed, to quote Ethel, 'the best years of my life'. She became the backbone to the Jersey Junior Dog Handlers' Association and eventually an honorary life member.

On her daughter's return to the UK, Ethel and Jack set up home in York close to their son Malcolm and family. She didn't lose touch with all the young dog handlers who all knew her as 'Nana', and she very quickly became involved with the UK Dog Handlers' Association as treasurer and medal awards secretary.

Ethel was born almost before the days of telephones and planes but in her lifetime she has witnessed so much and travelled with her daughter and granddaughter Frances all over the world, to Bali, Thailand and the family home of Frances in Hong Kong to name but a few. She followed avidly the career and badminton successes of her grandson Alexander and was delighted to attend his wedding blessing to Caroline having been too unfit to travel to South Africa, Caroline's birthplace, for the wedding.

She has always been family-oriented supporting her immediate family, Jacqueline and Malcolm and also her niece Joan and husband Alan, but her support for her grandchildren, Frances, Alexander, Joanna and Jeremy and their respective families was unwavering.

In the last couple of years she had not been able to travel easily due to poor mobility and her arthritic knees, but she remained alert mentally, chatting daily to her daughter on the phone and the many friends she made during her lifetime. She had the support and friendship of her neighbours who made it possible for her to remain in her own home for so long.

Recently she wrote to her son and daughter: "Thanks to you for all the joy and happiness you gave me from the day you were born, and thanks for all the kindness, friendship and happy hours we spent together to the end. Keep smiling 'cos when you're smiling the whole world smiles with you. Love to you all here today and we have had some good times together, so don't be sad and remember them."

WHAT IS AN AFFIX?

It is a name that belongs to your kennel of dogs. It is usually at the front of the dog's name if you have bred it or added on to the names of dog's you have bought in. It is interesting how people come by their affix.

Shalimar is the affix of Carol Pearce. The name comes from a small Island in the Indian Ocean. The main reason Carol chose it was due to the fact that she just liked the name.



GOOD CITIZEN TESTS

The following dogs and handlers have taken and passed their Bronze Good Citizen:

Tim Le Cornu and Alfie (Labrador), **Maurice Paranthéon and Marley** (Havanese), **Julia Lecrivain and Merlin** (Bearded Collie), **Gerard Clavell and Connie** (German Shorthaired Pointer), **Bruce Arden and Kway** (Labrador cross), **Dave Mildren and Qula** (GSD), **Lily Newstead and Alfie** (Springer cross), **Robyn Boschat and Apache** (Staffordshire Bull Terrier), **Suzie Parker and Saxon** (English Springer Spaniel) and **Sheila Le Var and Poppy** (Sheltie).

Christine Marett and Grace (Cesky Terrier) passed their silver test.