

Jersey Dog Handlers Association



Newsletter, April 2017

THE CLUB has been very busy for its first term of the year. Currently we have 88 members and club night is very busy with our Puppy Foundation Class, Bronze, Silver and Gold classes along with show handling and the obedience self training group running during the first part of the evening with a late gold class along with flyball and show handling running until 8.45pm. Thanks for your support of the canteen, Sarah has been able to hand over a good sum of money for the club coffers and her home made cake is delicious!

At the beginning of the term we held a show handling day with visiting trainer, Marina Scott. The day was fully subscribed with 12 dogs in the morning and 12 dogs in the afternoon across a variety of breeds.

Members did extremely well at Crufts. Top honours had to go to Angie Seedhouse and 'Sausage', her Staffordshire Bull Terrier who was crowned National Pat Dog of the Year – what a huge honour for them.

Sausage patrols St Ewolds, visiting all the residents there and he does a fantastic job.

The following members did well in the breed ring: Agata Kucza 3rd in PGB with Amberville Fortune Cookie, Irish Terrier; Alexa Dodds Reserve in PGD with Skerli Union

Jack, Wire Fox Terrier; Angie Seedhouse Reserve in Good Citizen Dog Class with Jsy Ch Granitangel Zircon, Pd'H, SBT; my Cesky gang, Gayteckels

DIARY DATES

Saturday, September 30th

Scent Course 3

Sunday, October 1st

Scent Course 2

Sunday, November 19th

Companion Show, judging 2.30pm

November 21st:

Annual General Meeting

Bak In The Abbott 2nd in PGD, Gayteckels BottomsUp 1st in JB and Lastarean Grace And Favour for Gayteckels, Pd'H Reserve in OB.

Kate Collins was 3rd in PGD with Benatone Dance For Gold at Islandsilk, Maltese; Kyle McLaughlin was 1st in LB with Jalus Quintessence, Lhasa Apso; and Dr Margaret Bayes MBE was Reserve in VB with Docrema Diamonds R Forever, Boxer.

Twenty people enjoyed a talk in the members' room recently on T-Touch with Briony, one of our trainers. This was very informative on how to deal with a dog's anxiety in various situations using this method. If you didn't make this talk I would strongly recommend that you attend in the future as it is well worth it.

CHRISTINE MARETT

DISCOUNT

Don't forget you can get discount at the following pet stores by showing your membership card, The Pet Cabin, Animal Kingdom and Pets Paradise.



Angie Seedhouse and 'Sausage'

www.jerseyuniordoghandlers.co.uk

2017 COMMITTEE

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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.

What's In A Name?

WHAT IS a kennel name and how did yours come into being? Our kennel name is Gayteckels which we inherited from former groomer and President of this club and the Kennel Club of Jersey, the late Diana Abbott.

Di bred Wirehaired Dachshunds which are also known as Teckels, Gay meaning happy so therefore Gayteckels means 'Happy Dachshunds'. All of our dogs now, whether bought in or homebred carry Gayteckels in their names.

Can you find out how your dog's kennel name came into being; if so we would be interested in putting your story in the next newsletter.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to Health and Safety issues flexi/ extending leads are not permitted as a training lead at club.

TRAINING DATES

Summer Term

April 25th training in the hall

May 2nd training in the hall

May 9th No training as it is Liberation Day

May 16th training outside weather permitting

May 23rd & 30th training in the hall

June 6th, 13th & 20th training in the hall

June 27th No training hall etc unavailable

July 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th training in the hall

August 1st, 8th & 15th training in the hall

Scent Course

WE ARE arranging another Scent Course weekend as the previous ones have been very popular. The dates are Saturday, September 30 for Scent 3 & Sunday, October 1 for Scent 2. Flyers and forms will be available shortly but if you want to provisionally book your space either email us on jjdha@hotmail.co.uk or contact Briony Price on 07797 735213. The instructor this time will be Pam MacKinnon who instructed our very first courses.

Companion Show

OUR COMPANION Show is being held on Sunday, November 19 at The Royal Jersey Showground. Entries will be 1.30pm with judging starting at 2.30pm. The pedigree judge is Chairman of the Kennel Club of Jersey Miss Fiona Whitehead and the pedigree classes will be: Puppy 6-9 months, Puppy 9-12 months, Junior, Novice, Open Dog Sporting and Non Sporting, Open Bitch Sporting and Non-Sporting, Veteran, CC Winners/FCI Equivalent and Brace.

The judge for the fun classes is still to be confirmed and the classes will be: Cutest Puppy, Golden Oldie, Happiest Dog, Best Six Legs, Best Cross Breed, Sausage Race, Best Rescue Dog, Egg and Spoon Race, Most Handsome Dog, Prettiest Bitch, Temptation Alley and the Dog the Judge Would Most Like to Take Home. There will be lots of prizes and rosettes and a super raffle. It is a good family afternoon out.

We are hoping that we can get sponsors for our rosettes which will be £15.00 per class, this will entitle you to a sponsor's rosette and your choice of wording on the rosette tails, and maybe it could be your kennel name or your business or your own name. Anyone interested in sponsoring some rosettes is asked to contact Christine on mickmarett@gmail.com or 07797 740836 for details of which classes are available to sponsor. We are also holding a bumper raffle at the show and are collecting prizes now so if anybody wishes to donate any prizes please bring them in to training where they will be gratefully received.



TRAINING TIPS

Make sure that you have some nice, tasty treats if you are training your dog with food. Your dog will work much better if the reward is worth having. Would you work for a dry biscuit or a chocolate biscuit?

Also please be aware of what your dog is doing at training. Not all dogs like other dogs in their personal space.