

# Jersey Junior Dog Handlers Association



## Newsletter, April 2016

ANOTHER term has gone by in a flash! This term we have had Crufts and Channel Island Obedience Dog of the Year and Channel Island Dog of the Year. Many members represented the club at both events; remember whatever your results were we all take the best dog's home.

All training classes were well filled and the club is very busy, numbers do tend to drop off in the summer due to the fine evenings and other family commitments taking priority. Please remember that your dog still needs training during the summer months and we are still here until the middle of August.

We have had to endure the marquee for part of the term which is not a hospitable place; I believe that plans are in the pipeline to make it into a semi-permanent structure so hopefully it will be a better place to train. I have managed to negotiate a reduced hire fee for when we are in the marquee in its present condition or outside!

This term sees us having moved our equipment into one of the brand new shiny storage units at the back of the hall. After years of enjoying free storage in an old container, this new storage doesn't come cheap! However we are sharing with the

Kennel Club of Jersey (as an affiliated club) therefore reducing the cost. It is luxury to be able to store the equipment in a clean, dry unit with proper lights! We were not able to keep the container; one of the conditions from the planning department was that if the new units were to be built then all containers had to be removed from the site.

Looking forward to the rest of the summer, we have our scent course which is filling up fast. We plan to re-instate rally and are holding an open taster session at 8.00 on Tuesday, April 26th. We hope that flyball may be reinstated in September as we have a willing trainer in Zeff D'ulivro-Rogers.

The last three weeks of the summer term (August) we are hoping to dog something different and fun for all obedience dogs so watch this space. Schedules are now out for our limited and open obedience show being held at Leoville Rifle range on July 23rd and 24th.

**CHRISTINE MARETT**

### TRAINING DATES

**Fees due:**

April 5th, 19th & 26th  
(no training April 12th)  
May 3rd, 10th, 17th

**Fees due:**

May 24th, 31st  
June 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

**Fees due:**

July 5th- no training  
July 12th, 19th, 26th



*"The special, sir. Shall I spread it out or will you knock it over yourself?"*

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### 2016 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.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

### Travelling safely with your dog

In a crash an unrestrained pet could be seriously injured, or injure people in the car. At 30mph, for example, a 22.5kg Border Collie would be thrown forward with a force equivalent to almost nine 12-stone men.

Unrestrained dogs can also distract the driver and cause an accident. Even dogs that are normally well behaved could be frightened by something unusual and dive for the driver's feet or lap. Following a crash, an unrestrained dog could escape & be hit by another vehicle or cause another collision. A frightened dog may attack strangers who are trying to help.

Ensure that your dog is safely secured in a seatbelt harness, dog cage or behind a dog guard. The most suitable restraint will depend on your dog.

**Safety Harness:** A safety harness that attaches to the seatbelt is best. It should go round your dog's chest, back and shoulders and be attached to the car seat belt which should be fastened. Before buying a harness make sure it is designed to be used in the car. Check that it is suitable for your dog's size and weight and ensure it fits properly.

**Travel Crate/Cage:** Make sure that this is the correct size for

your dog. Leave plenty of space around the crate to allow for ventilation an ensure it is secured with the seat belt. In a hatchback car, a cage can be attached to anchorage points in the boot.

**Dog Guard:** A dog guard will keep your dog away from the driver but will not protect your dog in a crash.

Transporting dogs in open vehicles is dangerous. The dog is exposed to weather, to grit & debris being blown into its eyes, nose or throat and to the risk of jumping or falling from the vehicle. If there is no alternative then put the dog in a crate that will protect it from the elements and prevent it from jumping or being thrown from the vehicle. The crate will need to be securely fastened in the vehicle.

When getting your dog in and out of your vehicle, if it is on a lead, do not remove the lead until the dog is safely in the car. When getting out of the car replace the lead before the dog is allowed to get out. Always get your dog out of the car on the pavement side and do not allow them to jump out of the window. If you are involved in an accident and your dog is in a crate, do not let them out of the crate until they have calmed down or in a safe environment. In a serious accident call out a vet.

Do not allow your dog to travel with his head out of the car window. If your vehicle has airbags, make sure that your dog will not be struck if the airbag goes off. Check that your dog is covered by insurance if it is hurt in a car accident.

### DISCOUNT

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

### 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.

### DIARY DATES

**April 16th & 17th:**

Scent Course, Leoville Rifle Range

**July 23rd:**

Limit Obedience Show,  
Leoville Rifle Range

**July 24th:**

Open Obedience Show,  
Leoville Rifle Range

**July 26th:**

Summer BBQ

**July 31st:**

Juniors Flag Day in town. Handlers and dogs required to help collect please

**November 13th:**

Companion Show - The Royal Jersey Showground.

Entries 1.30 for 2.30 start. TBC

**November 22nd:**

Annual General Meeting, Christmas Buffet & Raffle, 7.15pm in the Members room, The Royal Jersey Showground.

### Changes to the Good Citizen Dog Scheme

As from April 6th, 2016, in the Bronze, Silver and Gold tests dogs will now be permitted to wear a head collar, body harness or slip lead. Dogs will still be required to wear a collar with legally compliant information on it.

Gold Award: the minimum age for a dog taking a Gold award test has been changed to 12 months. In the relaxed isolation a crate or cage can now be used to secure the dog.

**Good Citizen Silver Test:** We recently held Good Citizen Silver tests and the following dogs & handlers were successful. Magaret Bayes & Giovanni, Lorraine Bressat & Memphis, Christine Marett & Flint, Michal Pawlica & Mocha, Nivek Dover & Woody & Susan Ingram & Bonnie.