

Jersey Dog Handlers Association



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! WINNERS ! WINNERS ! WINNERS !

WE SCOOPED the Pawscar for 'Training Class of the Year' at an awards ceremony held on the eve of Crufts dog show.

Votes were cast online from all over the country to select us as the winners over other shortlisted clubs in Plymouth and Scotland.

A black tie event was held at the Metropole Hotel at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham in aid of the Peek A Boo Trust which donates funds to canine and children's charities.

The canine equivalent of the Oscars, this event saw a golden envelope opened before Jersey were declared as the winners.

President Christine Marett said: "It was an amazing achievement to reach the final three clubs, but to be declared overall winners was a very proud moment. I was honoured to collect the award on behalf of the committee, trainers and members. It is a recognition of their efforts week in, week out, training their dogs. Thanks to all who voted for us. We felt we had the whole island behind us."

Our Club was founded in 1981 from a training class run by the late Diana Abbott and Brian Cummins and expanded by Jacqui Hurley. Christine, who herself has served on the committee for over 25 years, paid tribute to past members, committee members and trainers.

Many of our members travelled to Crufts and came back with place cards. Huge congratulations must go to Steve Lawson's Whippet, Ranveli Blue Breeze at Kipipiriking, aka KK who was handled by wife Jenny, to take Best Dog and the Dog CC only to be beaten by the dog who eventually took Best in Show.



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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.

CHANNEL ISLAND DOG OF THE YEAR

FEBRUARY saw the Kennel Club of Jersey hold the Channel Island Dog of the Year. The breed show was judged by Ben Reynolds Frost. The following club members dogs made the final seven in the adult competition: Jane Le Claire's Great Dane, Dainoak Absolutely Lovely; and Christine Marett's Cesky Terrier, Gayteckels Bak In The Abbott. Puppy finalists owned by club members were Marilyn Evans' Golden Retriever, Mardagold Diamond Geezer; Carla Mackay's Chinese Crested, New In Town of Angel's Legacy for Tarabish; and Collette Allen's Shetland Sheepdog, Milesend Black Ink for Ribans. Christine Marett's Cesky Terrier, Lastarean Grace

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

And Favour for Gayteckels was Reserve Best Veteran. The obedience competition was judged by club member, Marcel Guibout. The club had two members in these finals, Wendy Wright with her Border Collie, Foxbarton Black Queen; and Mick De la Haye with his Border Collie, Canen Mo. Mick did extremely well winning the Novice and Class A. The agility was judged at Les Marais Indoor Centre with local judge Louise Eden. The club had one representative in this competition, Emma Lloyd and Lucky Bran.

In the handling points competition successful club members were Jade Perez and Robyn Boschat in the 17-24 yrs age group and Christine Marett in the over 25 years category.

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.

The hall was certainly buzzing with spectators, a bumper raffle and plenty of trade stands. Perhaps a special mention should go to the Victoria College students and Jersey College for Girls students who were selling dog bandanas and homemade dog treats as their entry in a local Jersey business competition. Three of our members also had stalls, Clare Power and Penny Chapman with their Paws 4 Love stand and Claire White with her Raw N More stand.

The day finished off with a Gala Dinner in the presence of the Governor, His Excellency Sir Stephen Dalton and Lady Dalton at the Hotel Ambassadeur. The club is proud to say it was well represented at this event by our members.

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 28th: The Animal Shelter 150th Anniversary Open Day, The Royal Jersey Showground, 10am. The club is running a Pedigree Match, entries 2pm, judging 3pm.

June 9th: Kennel Club of Jersey Spring Championship Show in conjunction with the RJA & HS Show, The Royal Jersey Showground, Trinity.

June 10th: Dog activities day in conjunction with the RJA & HS Show, The Royal Jersey Showground. Fun obedience classes and Companion Show, TBC

July 7th: Companion Dog Show, St Peter's Fete, TBC

July 7th & 8th: Kennel Club of Jersey Eye Clinic, Kenneth Faucon Memorial Hall, Rue des Pres. Pre booking essential

July 21st: Marina Scott Show Training Day, St Peter's Village Green. Pre-booking essential.

July 28th: Kennel Club of Jersey Summer Championship Show, The Royal Jersey Showground, Trinity.

September 22nd & 23rd: Talking Dogs Scent Works Courses 3 & 4

November 11th: Annual Companion Show

TRAINING DATES

Please note that the hall is NOT available on the following dates for training:
May 8th, May 22nd & 29th, June 26th, July 10th.

We will be training on the following dates:
May 1st, May 15th
June 5th, 12th & 19th
July 3rd, 17th, 24th & 31st
August 7th & 14th.

If you are recommending us to your friends could you please ask them to contact Christine on 874708/07797 740836 to check availability of classes as we are quite full at the moment and it is disappointing to turn people away who have turned up on the night