

Congratulations on their Golden Wedding Anniversary

The Club would like to extend its congratulations to Jan and Dez Stonehouse on their recent Golden Wedding Anniversary

Janet has competed very successfully in the past obedience classes with her Goldies and is the Clubs catering manger at the Club Open Shows – Janet is also a Good Citizen Award trainer – well done to both of you.



Report on the Club's Christmas Party held on December 16th.

Over 50 people brave a cold bitter night to attended the Clubs Annual Xmas Party, Master of Ceremony was Martin Mobbs who organised a number of games including the infamous Sausage retrieve - which surprisingly 5 – YES!!! 5 dogs successfully retrieved their respective sausages and the same 5 tied in a run off.

The highlight of the evening was the annual dog fancy dress completion which was up to it usual high standard of ingenuity in design of the dogs costumes.



From left to right - Winner Janette Thomas with her corgi Sasha; - 2nd Yvonne Hughes with her pom/cross Roxy; - 3rd Jayne Jenkins with her collie Meg.

There was an excellent spread of food supplied by the Members, which Jan Stonehouse and her helpers supervised. Thanks Jan and your helpers – Also thanks to the Vic and Roger for managing the Bar – albeit a soft drink one.

It has become a tradition of the Club to invite representatives from the two selected charities for which the monies raised from the Bi-Annual Sponsored down stay are donated.

This year's charities were the Kennel Club Charitable Trust and Rugby Take Heart Group, below is a picture taken after the Clubs President Daphne Townsend had presented the Chairmen of the two charities with a cheque each for £750.



On the left Mike Townsend of the Kennel Club Charitable Trust; center Club President Daphne Townsend and on the right David Giles of the Rugby Take Heart Group.

The final two award of the night was to the two Members raising the most sponsorship monies, for the second year the person raising the most was Richard Hoare with a massive £510 (what your technique Richard/) followed by Rachel Gallagher £172 (With a bit of help from Ian we are told !!).

The Club would like to thank Richard & Rachel and all those others who raised monies by sponsorship or donations for these two worthy charities - Thanks.

Pictured below are on the left is Richard receiving his trophy from Mike Townsend and on the right Rachel receiving her trophy from David Giles.



Report on the Sponsored Down-Stay held on Thursday, October 28th.

The Club held its long-standing traditional Bi-Annual Charity 20- minute-down-stay in which over 30 members took part.

Also on the previous Wednesday night the Members who train Agility also ran a number of competitions to raise money for Charity, which was attended by over 20 Members.

The evening was rounded off by a light supper of soup, hot dogs and general socializing. The catering being provided by Dave Ray to whom we are grateful for his time and effort. As well as his assistants Jan, Janet, Jannette and Jenny.

This years Charities are Rugby Take Heart and the Kennel Club Charitable Trust.

The Club will invite a representative of the charities to our Christmas party on December 16th to receive the monies as well present the two trophies for the members who raise the highest amount of money.

The final figure raised was £1500.

The Club would like to thank everyone taking part either organising or participating and especially Beryl and Daphne for their hard work in organising it.



Alison Davidson appointed Heelwork to Music Judge at Crufts 2011

Congratulations to Alison on her appointment to Judge Heelwork to Music at DFS Crufts 2011.

Alison is no stranger to Crufts having as a competitor qualified for the H.T.M Semi-finals twice, plus doing a H.T.M demonstration in 2007.

Good luck and well-deserved Alison!!



3-Way Obedience Match - Sunday 17th October 2010

Rugby Members did well in the 3-Way Obedience Match against Coventry and Litchfield Dog Training Clubs.

Rugby won with 56 points; Litchfield second with 40 points and Coventry third with 36 points.

The Match was brilliantly hosted by Coventry at the Rugby Club Barn and everyone present enjoyed a wonderful day - Thanks Coventry.

The judges were: Pre-Beginner and Novice Avril Grant - Beginner and 'A' Pat Bathan and 'B' and 'C' - Anita Neal.

Dawn Walton with Phoenix got Rugby off with a good start by winning the Pre- Beginner supported by Richard Hoare with Trixie finishing 3rd; the best result on the day for the Club was in the Beginner where Steph Shann with Buddy and Helen Veal with Jinx finished first and second respectively.

Sian Powell with Fin won the Novice supported by Lorrriane Woods with Moxie finishing third. Julie Skipp with China won the 'A' class and once again Mary Ray with Oz pulled out all the stops to win the 'B' Class.



Rugby Captain Jan Morse accepting the Cup

A Great Team effort all round - well done Jan and the Team you did us proud.



Back Row - left to right - Richard Hoare with Trixie; Jan Morse with Kia; Julie Skipp with China; Dawn Walton with Pheonix; Helen Veal with Jinx; Mary Ray with Oz; Lorraine Woods with Moxie; Sian Powell with Fin; Brian Oram with Herbie and Kieth Britton with Bo.

Front Kneeling - left to right - Shelia Britton with Amy and Steph Shann with Buddy.

Heelwork To Music Show September 25th 2010.

Report by Alison Davison (Show Secretary).

On September 25th we held our second heelwork to music show at The Barn, which is RDTc training venue.

We had Starter and Novice Heelwork to Music and Freestyle classes followed by a Pay on the Day class with donations raised going to Avon Valley Canine Trust.

It was a great success with lots of new routines to watch.

Our judges for the day were, Michelle Dodson, Lesley Brocklehurst, Jill Davis, Carole Dodson, Ken Sidaway, and Mary Ann Nester.



Light refreshments were available which consisted of Dave's homemade soup, (now a specialty at our club events), sandwiches, cakes, teas/coffees served by our RDTc catering team.

The helpers who gave up their time to make the show run smoothly were from RDTc and several from the heelwork to music world who were also competing on the day.



They all did a brilliant job so we would like to say a big Thank You to all of them for making the show such a success.

The Results.

Starters Heelwork to Music.

- 1st - Michelle Dodson with Kinaway Doctor Kildare.
- 2nd - Ashleigh Butler with AG CH Ashpen Pudsey Bear.
- 3rd - Ann Shuker with Splish Splash.
- 4th - Steph Rendall with Bekkis Jumping Jack FlashFor Heartside

Starters Freestyle.

- 1st - Jade Borrow with Russmic Rosanna.
- 2nd - Ashleigh Butler with Arnpriors Golden Penny of Ashpen.
- 3rd - Jenny Knudson with Bright Star The Legacy .
- 4th - Ann Shuker with Splish Splash

Novice Heelwork to Music

- 1st - Nicci Hindson with Cindally Bazil Brush.
- 2nd - Helen Dennis with Godess Spring of Jucando.
- 3rd - Marilyn Lowman with Beautiful Foxy Lady HTM ST EX.
- 4th - Sandra Hallam with Oldberne Sweet Adalais HTM ST F/S N

Novice Free/Style

- 1st - Louise Ballard with Indiana Joy of April.
- 2nd - Angela Briggs with Wandering Coast to Coast.
- 3rd - Claire Collie with Beautiful Breeze on a River F/S ST EX.
- 4th - Karen Bartaby with The Sorcerer

Retiring Committee Members 2010

Two of our committee members retired at the 2010 AGM

We would like to thank Julie Skipp and Dot Levin for their many years of service and hard work on the committee.

We will still be seeing both of them at Club weekly as Dot will continue as a Good Citizen Trainer.

Julie as an Obedience Trainer as well as the Club's Shop Manager



FCI Heelwork To Music World Championships 2010

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A fundraising cabaret night was recently held at Stoneleigh to raise further funds for team and our own Mary Ray was one of the stars of the show.

The committee would like to congratulate one of our own members Jenny Deakin for bring chosen to be a member of the WC team representing not only team GB but our club as well

Dave Ray supplied all the sound equipment for the evening and was MC, disc jockey and auctioneer for the night.

Some pictures from what was, a brilliant evening at Stoneleigh enjoyed by nearly 200 people.

