

NEWSLETTER May 2022

2022 - 60 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

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Dear Members,

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2022! They have been few and far between of late due to all the stopping and starting forced by Covid.

We held our first A.G.M for two years on 22nd of February 2022. We have had a hard time since the Start of the Covid Pandemic. Closed from the 9th March 2020, then being able to start up puppy classes outside at the Ladybird Kennels at the end of July 2020. We are very grateful to the Kennels for allowing us to use their exercise runs for this purpose. The classes were limited as to the number of Dogs in each class, so we concentrated on the backlog of puppies wanting to go to training classes. In September we were able to use the hall again, still with limited numbers, for just 3 months until we had to close down again. We were still concentrating on the puppies. On 7th June 2021 classes were able to restart again, still puppies and the older puppies moving on. We have not been able to hold any Good Citizen assessments for the duration, apart from Puppy Foundation Assessments, as they are progressive throughout the puppy's time in class. We held Christmas Parties this year, but each class had its own Christmas games during their session.

In 2022 we now have two classes on a Monday, Puppy and Beginners, and are hoping that the Advanced class will be recommencing very soon. On Tuesday we have a Beginners class and an Advanced Class.

There are some changes to positions in the Club. Helen (Tuesday) is retiring as a full time trainer, but will be available to help out! Sandra is taking over the Monday Beginners Class in her place. Wendy (Monday) is retiring from her position as Refreshment Supremo, and Monday Teas, as she and Ebony are retiring to live far away from us, though she does say she will visit! Both Helen and Wendy have been members of the club for too many years to mention!!! The Club gave a gift to both in recognition of their time served, which were much appreciated.

At the AGM Helen was invited to become President of the Club, (the post has been vacant for a few years). June Barnes and Sarah Hughes were voted onto the Committee.

During the year we gave donations to PDSA (local branch), Remus Horse Sanctuary, RSPCA and Cinnamon Trust. We received a letter of thanks from each charity.

It is the Club's 60th Anniversary this year and we are hoping to have a celebration/fun day in the summer. Help will be needed to organize this!

Your Committee members 2022

Chairman	Ann Latchford
Hon Secretary / senior trainer	Pauline Newman
Trainers	Tracey Norris Sandra Southwell
Treasurer	Norma Boyles
Assistant	Jim Firman
Committee members	Zena Morris June Barnes Sarah Hughes
President/ Newsletter	Helen Hall

We have had two successful Bronze Good Citizens Award assessments:

Monday Bronze Assessment Awards

Sarah with her Boston Terrier, Arthur

Paul with his Cocker Spaniel, Betty

Di with her Standard Poodle, Scrumpy

Claire with her Cavalier King Charles Spaniel x Poodle, (Cavapoo), Teddy

Kay with her Lurcher, Stanley

Laura with her Labrador Retriever, Gatsby

Tuesday Bronze assessment Awards

Claire with her Shih Tzu x poodle, (Shihpoo), Lola

Pauline with her Labrador Retriever, Farley

Debbie with her Finnish Laphund, Marrika

Kate with her Boxer, Nina

Rita with her Golden Retriever, Bo

Margaret with her Jack Russell x Chihuahua (Jackhauhau), Pricilla

Going for Silver now!!!, keep up the training!