

TROPHY WINNERS

Class Winners' trophies

Teasel Trophy (Thursday Beginners) Sue Hall
Holly Trophy (Friday Beginners) Suzie Hackett
Novice Trophy Jacky Saunders
"A" Class Georgina Krall
"B" Class David Page

General trophies

Gun Dog Heelwork: Jacky Saunders with Micky }
Alison Formaggia with Kizzy }

Tyson Trophy: (perseverance with retrieve)
Sally Elverston with Izzy

Most Improved Terrier: Christine Saunders with Eddie

Best Veteran: David Vivash with Ziva

Lucky Trophy: (best pre-beginner) Irene Stubbs with Phoebe

Best Beginner Recall:
Suzie Hackett with Penny }
Alison Formaggia with Kizzy }

Best Retrieve: Jacky Saunders with Micky }
Georgina Krall with Isla }

Best Working Pastoral:
David Vivash with Ziva

Best Crossbreed:
Hilary Sykes with Alaska

Best Rescue:
Helen Sargent with Bella

Young Handler:
Sophie Steen with Milo



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Happy New Year.. to all of our present and new Club members. We offer a warm welcome to our new members and hope that you will realise your expectations in training your Dog. Please remember if there is anything you want to know please ask your Trainer or any Officer or Committee member - if we don't know the answer, we will find out.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

We held our annual Christmas party on the 8th December and the large attendance enjoyed a fun evening. Thanks to everyone that provided food, as usual this was very much appreciated and also many thanks to those that donated raffle prizes. The Fancy Dress was won by Teddy a Jack Russell Terrier, dressed as a Reindeer who is owned by Phoebe Holden second was Eddie a Jack Russell Terrier owned by Christine Saunders and third was Link a German Shepherd Dog owned by Shaun Mc Lochlan. All the popular "Doggy" games were played, which included the ever popular retrieve the sausage. A cheque for £1500 was presented to Laura Jenner who received it on behalf of Sussex Pet Rescue who decided not to attend. Once again many thanks to Fred for looking after the music and the PA system which was as usual excellent, and a special thanks to Laura from Brick Kiln Garden Centre for her support.



ALABAMA ROT another six cases of Alabama Rot have been notified at Frilsham (Berkshire), Little Lever, Bolton (Greater Manchester), Rugby (Warwickshire), Cannock (Staffordshire), Torquay (Devon) and Chorley (Lancashire). For more information visit www.andersonmoores.com

CRUFTS 2017 - Crufts will this year be held at the NEC Birmingham from Thursday 8th March until Sunday 11th March. Working and Pastoral breeds compete on Thursday, Terrier and Hound breeds on Friday, Toy and Utility on Saturday and Gundogs on Sunday, which also has the Best in Show. There are also 100s of Trade stands and many events in the events rings including Heel Work to music, Agility and Flyball.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING The clubs AGM will be held on Friday 16th March at Felpham Village Memorial Hall at 7-30 pm. (see page2)

Two Jobs at Once

The Police Constable of a small English Town was also an expert Veterinary Surgeon. One night his phone rang. "is Mr Smythe there" said an agitated voice.

Mrs Smythe answered "Yes" and inquired, "Do you want my Husband in his capacity of Veterinary Surgeon or as a Police officer?"

"Both" came the reply..

"We can't get our new Bulldog to open his mouth and there is a Burglar in it"



TRAINERS FOR THIS TERM

Thursdays:

Puppy Class (6-30 pm) - Maureen Fitzgibbons
Pre-beginners: (7-00pm) Mavis Heppell
Beginners: (8-00pm) Sue Weller
Novice: (9-00) Dave Vivash

Fridays

Puppy Class (6-30 pm) - Maureen Fitzgibbons
Pre-beginners (7-00 pm) - Pauline Burtenshaw
Beginners (8-00 pm) - Gaynor Winterman
"A & B" Class (9-00 pm) - Jacky Saunders

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Spring term: 4/5th January to 23/24 March 2018

Summer term 19/20th April to 19/20th July 2018

Annual General Meeting - Friday 16th March at 7-30pm.

Companion Dog Show - Sunday, 17th. June at North Bersted

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This brings the total number of confirmed cases to 109 since 2012 with 26 in 2017. Most confirmed cases have been seen between October and April. We would continue to advise owners to be vigilant and to seek advice from their local vet if their dog develops unexplained skin lesions/sores.

A project looking into the effects of Epidemiology of Alabama Rot. It is being carried out by Dr Kim Stevens from the Royal Vet College. It was hoped to have some findings by the end of 2017, but they are still awaited. However it is clear that wooded areas and wet conditions are a factor, with mold or fungus being a popular theory. Full story www.alabamarot.co.uk

Annual General Meeting

This Years AGM will be held on Friday, 16th. March, 2018 at 7-30pm. There will be no training on this date, but please do come along to the meeting without your dogs; a letter will be given out in January about this. We have three vacancies on the Committee at the moment and some of you will know I have already approached people to see if they are interested in joining us. If you are, then please ask me for a nomination form. I can give anyone who may be interested in coming onto the Committee a typed information sheet telling you what this would entail, again please ask me to let you have a copy with no obligation to actually go ahead if you decide against it. According to our Club Rules laid down by the Kennel Club, we should have six committee members and three officers. If we fall short of these numbers this makes the work of the those who are willing to help in this way much more difficult and time consuming, so please step forward and take part in the running of our Club.

Please also note that this year on the day before the AGM, Thursday, 15th. March, there will be NO CLASSES as we will be having what the schools would call an INSET evening, when all the Trainers and Assistant Trainers will be undergoing a review of our training procedures. This in fact makes it much fairer in what is going to be a shorter term than usual because of an early Easter, as the Thursday classes will miss a training evening the same as the Friday classes. Hilary Sykes - Club Secretary.

END OF TERM RESULTS

Thursday

Pre-beginners: (Trainer – Mavis Heppell)

1st. Irene Stubbs Phoebe S/H German Pointer PASS
2nd. Carol Stafford Rosie Crossbreed
3rd. Sophie Steen Milo Crossbreed

NFC David Farr Eddie Golden Retriever PASS

Beginners: (Trainer – Sue Weller)

1st. Sue Hall Louis Miniature Poodle
2nd. Sally Elverston Izzy Boston Terrier
3rd. Christine Saunders Eddie Jack Russell Terrier

NFC William Mitchell Milly PASS

Novice: (Trainer – Dave Vivash)

1st. Jacky Saunders Micky Golden Retriever PASS
2nd. Sue Hall Rufus Miniature Poodle
3rd. Hilary Sykes Alaska Crossbreed

Friday

Pre-beginners: (Trainer – Hilary Sykes)

1st. Wendy Briggs Ollie Wheaten Terrier PASS
2nd. Paul White Wilson Crossbreed PASS
3rd. Jade Dixon Coco Crossbreed PASS
4th. Helen Sargent Felix Crossbreed PASS

Beginners: (Trainer – Gaynor Winterman)

1st. Suzie Hackett Penny Irish Wolf Hound PASS
2nd. Alison Formaggia Kizzy Hungarian Visla
3rd. Kim Brown Cody French Bulldog
4th. Anne Green Widget Whippet

"A" Class: (Trainer – Pauline Burtenshaw)

1st. Georgina Krall Isla NSDT Retriever PASS

"B" Class:

1st. David Page Sophie Border Collie
2nd. Brenda Page Shadow Border Collie

ARUN COUNCIL

The litter and dog fouling enforcement trial which was introduced in May 2017 is set to be extended for a further two years after seeing a vast improvement in the worst affected areas. The 12-month trial was launched with the aim of cracking down on anyone dropping litter or failing to pick up after their dog. Although very few fines have been issued for dog fouling as these tend to be offences often being committed in darkness or concealed areas, hotspot dog fouling areas have been targeted and reports show an improvement in most of these areas.

The scheme costs nothing to the taxpayer as it is funded by the money it raises in Fines, which are issued by the enforcement officers.

Good Citizens at present there are no tests planned, but a Gold and Bronze test will be organised early in the year. If anybody who would like to take this award and has not already done so, please contact Helen,

FACEBOOK: The Club have their own Official Facebook page, available for anyone to use to post news, ask questions or just have a general chat with other members.
www.facebook.com/bognordogclub

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