



Christmas Party 2019

What fabulous fun was had by all at the Christmas party! On the whole, all the dogs (and owners) were very well behaved. With over 50 people and over 40 dogs attending the evening was quite manic - with lots of prizes being won!

Best Fancy Dress

- 1st: - Oliver Hamilton
- 2nd: - Bo Selecta Cawte
- 3rd: - Sprocket Trapwell
- 4th: - Princess Palin
- 5th: - Charlie Capon



Best Trick

- 1st: - Lily Pontin
- 2nd: - Dusty Harvey
- 3rd: - Charlie Capon
- 4th: - Oscar Edwards
- 5th: - Bonnie Moore



Pass the Parcel

Winners: - Sarah Mabberley & Yoko. Carol Jamieson & Trek, Lorraine & Max



Musical Chairs

1st: - Sophie Cawte with Bo Selecta

2nd: - Natalie Brown with Coco



Christmas Quiz

1st: - Lorraine Porter

2nd: - Tracy Harvey

3rd: - Lesley Proost

4th: - David Walch & Lizzy

5th: - Amber Cawte

Door Prize

1st: - Diane Capon

2nd: - Suzanne Louis

3rd Mick Chalkley

The Display Team performed a well-rehearsed heelwork to music routine



And of course all the dogs (and even some owners) enjoyed having their photos taken with Santa in his grotto!



And thanks as usual to everyone who served refreshments, organised games, cleared up – and to Phil Parr for a fabulous Christmas Cake!

“Barking Mad”

Certificates

In recognition of members' loyalty to the Club, those who have 5 years or more continuous membership are presented with a certificate recognising that they are **“Barking Mad.”**

At the Christmas Party, Sue Hedges was presented
with her
“Barking Mad” certificate



And waiting to collect their certificates: - Sue
Bezants, Carol Green & Sharon Holloway

Long Service Award

In recognition of even longer commitment and loyalty to the Club, those who have 10 years of continuous membership are presented with a Certificate and a Trophy.

Cliff Mott has achieved 10 years & will receive his trophy when agility starts back

The Devon Award

Barbara Endersby lost her beloved Devon in April 2019 and has introduced “The Devon Award” to recognise the perfect partnership between owner & dog. The winner of the Devon Award for 2019 was Ralph Black & Monty. Ralph has been a member for the last 2 years and completed the Diamond Award with Monty just before Christmas. They also do agility together and Ralph is the first to volunteer for any painting or building projects at the Club. Monty has been the perfect companion for Ralph throughout his wife's illness and her sad passing a few weeks ago. They are worthy winners of The Devon Award.



The Mary Stephens Memorial Challenge 2019

The results from the 3 Rounds of the Mary Stephens Memorial Challenge were combined to give an overall winner.

Congratulations to **Sue Hedges with Lily** who came 1st overall with a fantastic 44 points



Other placings were as follows: -

2nd : - Lynn Gibney & Oscar
4th : - Jill Thompson & Mony
6th : - Karen Pontin & Lily
8th : - Dave Southern & Krypto
10th : - Bani Saha & Nash
12th : - Carol Green & Bertie
14th : - Ralph Black & Monty

3rd: - Joanna Millward & Arthur
5th : - Carol Green & Norman
7th : - Jane Jones & Teddy
9th : - Simon Delicata & Willow
11th : - Michael Hutson & Charlie
13th: - Clare Pitts & Alfie

Each Judge awarded a "Special" to someone they felt had performed exceptionally well, or against the odds.

Round 1 Special was awarded to Maria Whythe & Bailey

Round 2 Special was awarded to Jill Thompson & Mony

Round 3 Special was awarded to Michael Hutson & Charlie

Well done to EVERYONE who took part even if you didn't get a place. We look forward to welcoming back old faces and new for the 2020 Mary Stephens Memorial Challenge.

KENNEL CLUB GOOD CITIZENS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following dogs and handlers that have passed the Kennel Club Good Citizens Awards since the last Newsletter.

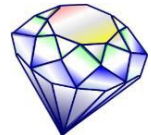


Gold December 2019

Beau	Helen Ferguson
Shadow	Phil Parr
Oscar	Helen Edwards
Rosie	Lesley Proost



Diamond Successes



It was a cold, dark evening when the latest batch of Diamond recruits were put through their paces for the Diamond test in December 2019. Thank goodness the Cabin has outside lights – otherwise the examiner would never have seen the dogs doing their Rally, O course, the send away, the stop the dog etc!

The examiner was very impressed with the standard the dogs had achieved, and although the test itself was nerve wracking for the owners they had really enjoyed the challenges of the Diamond Course and are looking forward to Platinum!



Peter Congreve	Ros Clifton	Pamela Barrie	Ralph Black
Torres	Rosie	Jasper	Monty

NB We are very sad to report the passing of Torres just one month after achieving his Diamond Award.

Classes for 2020

Classes for **Obedience, Rally, O and Trick Training** have all started back. If you are not currently in classes but want to continue, please contact Elizabeth on 07939 189917 or email her at elizabeth@lalehamdogtraining.co.uk to sort out a suitable class.

Agility Classes will start back once the ground has had a chance to recover from the very wet weather we have had. Agility handlers will be notified in advance of when this will happen (ie it won't be the day before!)

Scentwork Classes & Training

For anyone interested in trying Scentwork with their dogs, Emma Goulding-Bosworth of "Emma's Animals" offers various courses and workshops

Scentwork for beginners started on Sunday 12th Jan 12.30

<https://www.emmasanimals.co.uk/dog-training-classes/scentwork-for-beginners/>

She also runs Mantrailing introduction Workshops and the next is on Saturday Feb 8th 10-2pm Kempton Park

<https://www.emmasanimals.co.uk/workshops/mantrailing-workshop/>

And for anyone interested in learning more about Tellington Ttouch, Emma is running a workshop is on Sunday 23rd February 10-5pm Englefield Green

<https://www.emmasanimals.co.uk/workshops/ttouch-workshop/>

DON'T FORGET

Membership fees were due from 1st January. For Main Handlers it is £10 for the year and for Other Handlers it is £5 for the year. Children under 16 are free providing at least one parent or guardian is a paid up member and that parent must accompany the child to classes.

If you are not currently in classes but wish to remain on a waiting list for obedience or agility - or simply to be kept informed of what is going on at the Club through the monthly newsletters you can become a "Friend" of LDTC. Please complete the form on the back page and return with the fee of £5 for the year.

NB If you later join a course, you simply pay the additional £5 to be a fully paid up member



Dates for Your Diary

January

Thursday 23rd January CATS

February

Thursday 6th February 8.30 Platinum

Thursday 20th February 8.30pm CATS

Platinum Classes are for members whose dogs have passed the Diamond Award

CATS (Clicker And Target training School) is open to ALL club members (providing their dogs are sociable and well behaved) and can be attended on a completely ad hoc basis. Class content will depend on numbers attending and the level of experience of those attending. So whether a complete beginner, or well-practised, these classes are a fun way to improve your relationship with your dog.

Classes cost £4 per session



"Friend" of LDTC

With effect from 1st January 2020, I would like to be a "Friend" of Laleham Dog Training Club:

Name.....

Email Address.....

I enclose cheque/cash £5

I understand that if I later decide to attend classes (obedience, agility, Rally, O etc) I can upgrade to Full Membership by paying an additional £5.

Signed..... **Date**

(Please return form and £5 fee to Lynn Gibney, 9 Rex Avenue, Ashford, Middx TW15 2DA)