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Newsletter
Winter 2017

News from clients, fundraisers & supporters
of Dog Assistance in Disability



TV presenter, Matt Baker, posed for a
photo at the Autumn Workshop



Teresa tells how Sam has
changed her life



FUNdraising Tricksters



Puppy Barney joins Heidi



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**Celebrating the success
 of our clients, dogs & trainers**



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 Michaela Wynn & Coco
 Tammie Crump & Bailey
 Teresa Cort & Sam





Since the last newsletter there has been a great deal of activity within the charity. Sadly we have said goodbye to three staff members, Lizzie, Andrea and Katya who have all moved on to other things.

Their roles have been taken on by Samantha (Sam) and Charlotte (Charlie). Between them they will cover the office Monday to Friday. Kate and Ann will continue to work on Funding and Events.

Kate has managed to secure funding for new IT equipment that has been sorely needed. A great achievement as this is an area that does get overlooked.

Kate also sent out the questionnaire that many of you have kindly completed, the outcomes will be very useful in making grant applications. There are still many that have not been returned, do contact Kate, she will help you complete it if you are having difficulty.

We have had four successful workshops this year. The client/trainer ones provided great interest for numerous visitors, invited by our patron Roger Jefcoate. Roger continues to raise awareness of the charity and spreads the word amongst the many people he knows.

The trainers' workshops were very productive as we worked through assessment paperwork and gained a great deal of feedback from those attending which has been noted and used in reviewing our paperwork.

The AGM was a great success; it was very pleasing to have all ten places filled on the board of trustees. We now have a great mix of people and knowledge.



The fancy dress competition was a great hoot! Thank you to all those who took the trouble to dress up and take part, it was a wonderful way to show

the dogs in a different light.

Assessments are taking place here there and everywhere! We look set to surpass last year's figures of fully qualified dogs. At present we have 90 clients in training.

As always clients have been wonderful in the time they have given to fundraising events, thank you so much, I know for many of you it takes a great deal of your strength to attend.

Our trainer numbers continue to increase. Thank you to all our trainers, without you we would not be able to give so many people the gift of independence.

Congratulations to Chloe Fuller who has been featured in the media which seems to have gone viral!

Next year will be our 25th anniversary of being a registered charity! We hope to raise further awareness through social events and a bit of a splash at Crufts! More will be revealed as we confirm events.

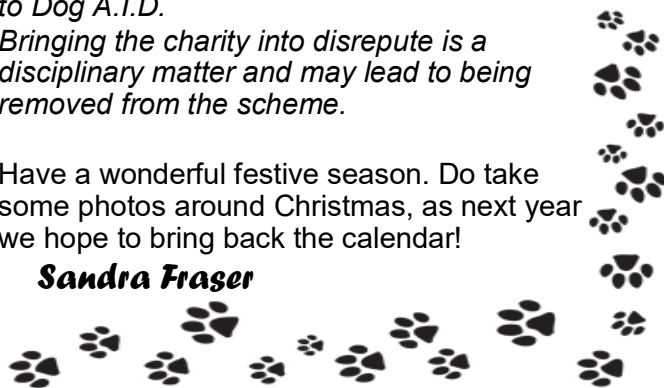
I look forward to 2018 and all that it will bring the charity.

On a more serious note I would like to encourage all of you who use social media to use it wisely, especially when it comes to representing or referring to Dog A.I.D.

Bringing the charity into disrepute is a disciplinary matter and may lead to being removed from the scheme.

Have a wonderful festive season. Do take some photos around Christmas, as next year we hope to bring back the calendar!

Sandra Fraser



ED'S NOTE ...

Welcome to the Winter 2017 issue.

Take a look at all the wonderful FUNdraising stories we have in this issue, our supporters really are doing us proud. There's photos and news from the Autumn workshops, a lovely story of how Sam has changed Teresa's life, plus a little snippet of plans for the charity's 25th Anniversary next year. If there is anything you think could be included in our next newsletter, please get in touch, until next time

Lynn Stacey



Did You Know?



Dog A.I.D. will consider training ANY breed or cross breed of dog.

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SOCIAL MEDIA



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of being a registered charity!

Next year, 2018, will see Dog A.I.D. celebrating 25 years of being a registered charity. We will be celebrating by making a bit of a splash at Crufts, plus we will be raising awareness through social events, more will be revealed as details of events are confirmed.

We hope you will all help us celebrate this great milestone, if you would like to get involved in doing an event or fundraising, here are 25 FUNdraising ideas



WE NEED YOU



1. Find 25 people to donate £1.00 = £25!
2. Ask those 25 people to do the same! = £625!
3. Take 25 items to a boot fair sell for £1 an item = £25!
4. Organise a coffee and cake morning for 25 people and charge £1 per person = £25!
5. Have 25 people sponsor your dog to pick up 25 different items! Video it and put it on social media!
6. Ask a local pub to run a quiz night for you with 25 questions, charge an entrance fee.
7. Organise a local dog walk and charge £1 to participate.
8. Organise a craft sale and seek donations of handmade goods.
9. Run a Cake sale, ask 25 people to make cake donations.

10. Hold a BBQ in the summer, invite 25 people, charge £1. per person = £25!
11. Run an art show, charge for entry then auction off the work at the end. We have many great artists within our Dog A.I.D. community that could offer art pieces.
12. Organise a fundraising fete/day - with 25 stalls.
13. Hold a Nearly New Sale - Collect items such as barely used clothing, bric-a-brac, children's toys etc. from your family/friends and host a weekend sale or auction. Post photos of the items on social media and generate a buzz around your event.
14. Duck Race - sell 25 numbered ducks for £1 then let them go on a river, the first duck past the finishing line further down the river wins first prize.
15. Hold a Photo competition - charge £1 entry fee. Get the local paper involved with judging.
16. Pancake party - make 25 pancakes with various filling and sell for £1 each = £25!
17. Host a Burns night supper, ask for a donation per person.
18. Give it up! Get sponsored for giving up a guilty pleasure for 25 days.
19. Find 25 people who would sign up for our Unity Lottery.
20. Hold a raffle at your dog club - ask friends/family for donations of unwanted gifts.
21. Sponsored head/beard shave (if you are brave enough!)
22. Host a Strawberry tea, invite 25 people, charge £1 per person = £25!
23. Restaurant support - ask a local restaurant to donate 10% of their profits on a set night in exchange for you getting people to eat there.
24. Auction night - ask family/friends for donations to auction, post auction on social media to create interest.
25. Car wash - get your friends and family involved in doing a car wash day.

WE NEED YOU! TO MAKE IT HAPPEN



Dog A.I.D. have 77 Qualified teams

that's 77 people with a new lease of life and independence





WORKSHOP DATES ...



Autumn Workshop for Clients & Trainers

7th & 8th April 2018

Stoke Mandeville Stadium
Aylesbury, Bucks, HP21 9PP

Get going on the basics!

Following on the success of the last workshop we shall once again be working in small groups to maximise the training time for clients and dogs.

The workshop will be based on and around getting the basics right!

SATURDAY

Lead work - getting it comfortable for the team.

Proofing sit, down and stand.

Basic skills required for task work.

Recall from distractions.

The day will be divided into 4 sessions around comfort breaks and lunch giving each client the opportunity to try or improve each behaviour.

SUNDAY

A chance to put all that you have learned into practice through a course constructed by the tutors.

There will be the opportunity for 1.2.1 support on any particular task or skill which individuals feel they need help with.

The weekend is for clients & trainers. The venue has 50 fully accessible hotel rooms, Dog A.I.D. will subsidise 1 night bed & breakfast, all other requirements to be covered by the client.

All enquiries to general_admin@dogaid.org.uk
Please DO NOT contact Stoke Mandeville Stadium direct

Trainers' Workshop

5th & 6th May 2018

Stoke Mandeville Stadium
Aylesbury, Bucks, HP21 9PP

For new and existing trainers and their own dogs, limited places for those bringing dogs. Trainers without dogs are also welcome.

SATURDAY

Preparing your client for each assessment

In their shoes - Practical session with dogs & props

Assessment process - When is the team ready?

A closer look at task work - Practical session.

SUNDAY

Level 2, the hardest assessment!

A look at what makes this difficult for teams and trainers.

Could you become an assessor?

What is required?

Book now so you do not miss this event

So that you can try to fulfil your commitment with Dog A.I.D. to attend at least one workshop over a 2 year period, the charity are now in a position to subsidise accommodation, breakfast and lunch and as a gesture of goodwill we also offer travelling at 20p per mile to go towards fuel

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News from the Clients' & Trainers' Autumn Workshop

Every dog's personality shone through, and they made the weekend great fun!

The exercises demonstrated gave everyone some good ideas which can be adapted/incorporated into personal training schedules. No question was left unanswered - everyone was friendly and helpful.

The weekend ran smoothly, and all in all, was very enjoyable.

It was very moving to witness the indomitable spirit of both the dogs and their humans!

Barbara Sheperd

The workshop for clients and trainers which was held at Stoke Mandeville Stadium during the weekend of the 9th and 10th of September was well attended, and proved to be inspiring.

The range of dogs varied from a huge and smiley Malamute to a tiny, hardworking Chihuahua - all were beautifully behaved in the strange surroundings. They were so pleased with themselves as they helped their owners - it was a joy to see!



BELLA'S-TRIX CLUB

Trick your way to a happy dog



DOG TRICK WORKSHOP

Outward-Hound

Turn your house-bound hound into an Outward-Hound



Left to right - Nichola Hawden & Twix, Joanne Jackman of Outward-Hound Pet Services, Maxine Watson & Lola, Helen Harper & Sky, Lynn Stacey of Bella's-Trix Club, Suzi Riggs & Prudence, Katie Hyde & Tilly, Lisa Widdop & Elsie, also attending but not on pic was Nicola Green & Fergal

WOW! what a fab Dog Trick Workshop we had on Sunday 1st October in Barnsley, a collaboration with Bella's-Trix Club and Outward-Hound Pet Services.

Seven very cute and very clever dogs attended with their owners, the day was a great success, all the dogs were super, very well behaved and learned lots of new tricks. Some of the dogs even earned Trick Titles on the day! I feel so proud of how well everyone did and can't wait to do it all again.

Thank you so much to everyone that attended, everyone did amazingly, it was great to get to meet lots of like minded Tricksters! A huge thank you must go to Joanne Jackman of Outward-Hound Pet Services for hosting this workshop and a big thanks to the Darby & Joan Club who were so kind in allowing us use the hall.

Lynn & Bella

Joanne of 'Outward-Hound Pet Services' also comments;

I love training dogs and I love helping owners to train their dogs.

When I got the opportunity to host a trick workshop with Lynn and Bella I knew we would be in for a great day. Workshops like this attract a diverse range of teams, and our trick workshop did just that – from experienced clicker trainers, including one of our very own Dog AID trainers, to enthusiastic pet owners with lots of clicker experience to pet owners who had never used a clicker before.

Everyone really enjoyed the day, the owners learned loads about the principles of dog training, watched in awe of Bella's tricks, and they all went onto achieve success in whatever they decided to teach, whether it was working on an existing trick, working through a hiccup, or teaching something completely new.

The star of the Show had to be Tilly – first time with the clicker, her owner wanted to teach 'high five' but didn't know how to give a paw....however, by the end of the day Tilly was giving



paw and achieved her Freshers Title!

Everyone is looking forward to the next workshop – Thank you Lynn and Bella.



We raised a fabulous £277 for Dog A.I.D.

If you would like to get involved in teaching Dog Tricks, everyone is welcome, come and join us in Bella's-Trix Club on Facebook or email bellas-trix-club@hotmail.com.

How life has changed with Sam



Just over four years ago Sam came home and little did we realise how much things ahead were going to change, from a nipping holy terror of a puppy, to the best little companion.

After an unfortunate 'round the houses' difficult, diagnostic journey on occasions involving many hospitals, clinics and people I went from a healthcare professional to being a patient more of the time.

August that year, my shoulder first popped out on a normal dog walk, and has never been the same again, long story short, I have the special little man to thank for the medical mystery diagnosis that's the underlying cause of many issues which had puzzled doctors previously who hadn't joined the dots.

I had always wanted a dog since I was young growing up on a farm, once I moved away,



going to uni and working, it wasn't fair for a dog to be on their own all day. Then we moved, circumstances changed and the time was right with a great garden and a home office for the husband so no excuses! I think he was fed up of my Dogdar!

Someone mentioned that Schnauzers were great house dogs and we never looked back I just wish I could remember exactly who that was so I could thank them and say that was so spot on.

Despite all the ups and downs with health and family issues, Sam has been a constant companion and kept me going. However rough I feel, he still needs food, walks and play but is happy with whatever I can give as long as he can at least get out to the garden and chase around.

Onwards and upwards with Sam's training and maybe Therapy Dog visiting next hopefully.

Extra thanks all around for our dogs in these tough times, we never know what might happen ahead. How smart are Schnauzers and all our dogs?!



Teresa & Sam the Schnauzer

Festive Dangers

As the festive season approaches, don't forget there is world of hidden dangers for our beloved friends, here are just a few that you can make sure you protect you dog from.

Chocolate - Chocolate contains the chemical theobromine, (a bit like caffeine) and it is toxic to dogs. Even the smallest amount of chocolate can cause convulsions, agitation, tremors, hyperexcitability plus problems with their heart. Generally the darker the chocolate, the more powerful the level of theobromine and cooking chocolate can be the most dangerous. Veterinary treatment should be sought if your dog has ingested any amount of chocolate, and therefore theobromine.

Christmas pudding and mince pies - Dried vine fruits (raisins, currants, sultanas) and grapes are toxic to dogs. Just a small quantity can cause kidney failure. Also be aware that chocolate-covered raisins have the additional risk of chocolate toxicity too.

Onions - Onions, shallots, garlic, leeks, and chives are all part of the Allium variety of plants which can be toxic to dogs (cooked or uncooked) As well as vomiting and diarrhoea they can cause damage to red blood cells, resulting in anaemia which may not be obvious for several days after ingestion.

Veterinary treatment should be sought if your dog has ingested any amount of onions/shallots/garlic/leeks/chives.

Alcohol - If your dog ingests Alcohol there is a risk of low blood sugar, low body temperature, and even coma. Veterinary treatment should be sought if you think your dog has ingested alcohol.

Macadamia nuts - Macadamia nuts can cause tremors, increased body temperature, lethargy, lameness and stiffness if they are ingested by your dog. Veterinary treatment should be sought if any amount are eaten by your dog.

Artificial sweeteners - A sweetener called xylitol is poisonous to dogs and found in lots of sweets we eat over Christmas. If ingested by your dog it can cause vomiting, convulsions, lethargy and even coma. It stimulates the release of insulin in the body, resulting in low blood sugar and often liver damage. Veterinary treatment should be sought if you think your dog has eaten any artificial sweeteners.

Bones - any cooked bones, especially poultry, can splinter and be potentially dangerous to your dog. Also make sure you dispose of the string from meat joints as they could cause a choking hazard. Veterinary treatment should be sought if you are worried that your dog has eaten cooked chicken/turkey bones.

"Above facts gained from Vets-now"



Goodbye Katie



Since I lost my beautiful Golden Katie, at last I feel I can talk about her. I want to tell you, not what I have lost through her passing, but more of what I gained through her being in my life. When I lost my sight, I lost my confidence and my sense of self, I was no longer useful in my eyes. The world became a hostile place of strange shapes and sounds, of signs that I could not read and people I could not recognise, my husband became my lifeline and I would go nowhere without him.

Then Katie came into my life, I think we loved each other from the moment of that first touch. Training became my goal, I wanted to train her as my Assistance Dog and Dog A.I.D. came to my aid. Over the next few years, Katie eagerly learnt all I could ever have wished her to, she qualified as a full Assistance Dog and was able to anticipate my every move. I in turn could tell just what she was thinking, I could read her body language as if she was speaking directly to me. This gift was recognised nationally a few years later when a friend and dog trainer who had initially helped me with Katie's training, put us forward for the James Wellbeloved, "Tails of Achievement" competition. When we got through to the finals I was amazed, but when we were announced the winners, I nearly fell off my chair, Katie though, took it all in her stride and led me up to receive our award with all the confidence of the winner she was.

Over the subsequent years my husband has been very ill and several times we have thought we had lost him, through it all Katie kept me strong, she would nudge into my leg and lay her head in my lap, "It will be alright mum" she would say. She took me to Crufts, she took me shopping, she took me to restaurants and the supermarket; she took me to her heart and I took her to mine and now she is gone, but I still feel her, "It will be alright mum" she says and it will.

Around my neck I wear a little glass locket enclosing a small lock of her tail hair, within my heart I carry her soul. Katie went peacefully to sleep in my arms under her favourite tree, in her garden, on 27th May 2017.



Lisa Lawton



**Dog A.I.D. have 91 client teams
in training all over the country**

Life with a puppy and an older Assistance Dog

Heidi is 11 this year and for some time I have known that she would need to retire. Not something I really wanted to think about before a few months ago.

I thought long and hard about what breed to get and the age of the dog. I live in a ground floor flat with no garden so I knew that a young dog would be better but didn't really consider a puppy let alone a Westie! The more I looked the more I realised that I am a Westie person through and through. I contacted a breeder I worked for as a teenager enquiring about an adolescent, she said she had puppies due in a couple of weeks and she would let me have the pick of the litter. My mind was made up.

Three months ago Barney came into mine and Heidi's life.

Potty training has been a challenge as I cannot just put him outside on the patio, but he has been dry overnight for the last month and can now wait until his walks most of the time. Barney is a clever boy and enjoys his puppy classes although it could well be the rewards he gets. He is learning to do little tasks such as taking

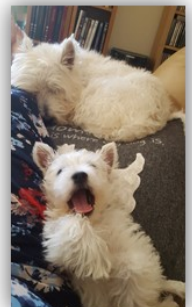


my socks off, I know all puppies like to do this so I incorporate it into his play time but also getting him to 'swap' them for a treat. He also enjoys giving my slippers to me.

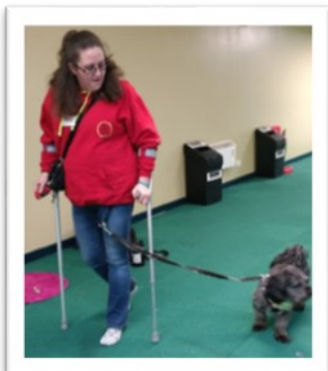
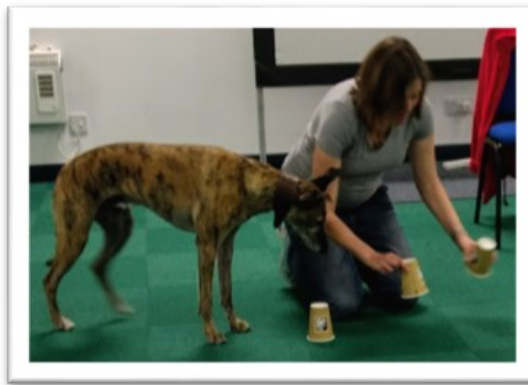
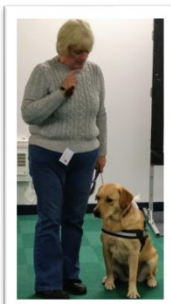
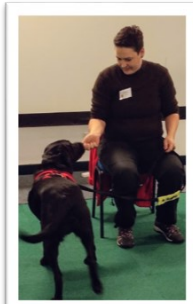
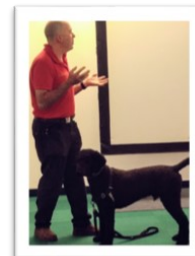
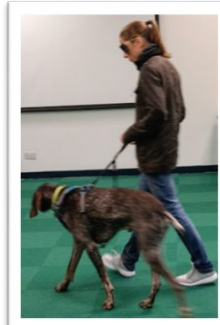
I had forgotten how hard, how tiring, how frustrating but equally how rewarding and enjoyable it is to have a puppy in my life.

Heidi has accepted him really well, she boxes his ears on occasion but is also learning to play with him. This in itself is wonderful to watch as she has never really known how to play having come to me from a bad puppyhood. She even allows him to share her bed, cuddle up together and play tuggy. At 20 weeks old Barney is still very young but I sincerely hope he will be accepted as a trainee Assistance Dog and will take over duties outside from Heidi giving her a peaceful retirement to grow old gracefully.

*Margaret, Heidi
& Barney*



Photos from the Trainers' Autumn Workshop



Sweet Breeze

A sad and unexpected loss for Mo Aegerter when her retired

Assistance Dog Breeze was put to sleep on 29th October.

Mo says "How can I put into words how special Breeze was. She was beautiful, elegant, kind and gentle in a way that touched everyone who met her. She loved her work and was reliable and trustworthy but fun loving too.

She enjoyed her show off moments at places like Crufts doing Gold Citizens demo and Heelwork To Music competitions up and down the country. But it's at home where her soft touch and loyalty will be missed most.

How a late night comfort break in our own garden could lead to such catastrophic injuries is beyond belief. The vet described it as a freak accident and we will never know how it happened. Sleep tight Breeze we will always remember you".

"I lost a treasured friend today, The sweetest dog who used to lay, Her gentle head upon my knee, And shared her silent thoughts with me." (Author unknown)



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Look who's been Fundraising

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK



PASTEL ART WORKSHOP

On Friday 16th June, Katharine Laird and her husband Pete, very kindly ran an Art Workshop, with all monies from the event going to Dog A.I.D.

The day was such a great success, with everyone having fun and working on an exercise capturing reflections of small boats moored on a sunlit sea. A mid morning break gave us time to chat and have tea and cake (which Jess and I had baked the previous day). Everyone was very interested to learn more about the work of Dog A.I.D. and they were very impressed at the tasks Amber does for Jess, and also her perfect behaviour during the workshop (Amber - not Jess!).

Thank you to all the lovely people that took part and donated. The event raised £330.

Jess & Amber



Newstead Abbey, Derbyshire

Myerscough College, Preston

Stanley Village Fete

Dogbola was popular Bark in the Park

THE RED ARMY

The Red Army were out and about again this summer, north of Watford Gap, raising funds and awareness for Dog A.I.D.

Many thanks to those who organised and supported at each of these events!



RSPCA, Liverpool Ruff Dogs, Preston



Doodlefest



Manchester Dogs Home

Thank You!



LAST QUARTERS WINNER DOG A.I.D

This charity helps people with physical disabilities to train their own pets to become assistance dogs. Once trained, dogs help their owners with many simple tasks around the home, as well as giving reassurance, confidence and independence.

dogaid.org.uk

Thank You to Yeo Valley for the £1,500.00 donation from their Yeokens scheme



Look who's been Fundraising

Schnauzers on tour - An event with a difference



There was a great turnout with the highest numbers yet, (one of the larger breed walks in the country) at least 140 schnauzers and 153 dogs (honorary schnauzers for the day). Our local South West group walk organiser met us at the Dog A.I.D. stand at Crufts this year and they very kindly announced that Dog A.I.D. would be the Charity of the Year for any donations (generally walks and an 'honesty box' approach with everyone welcome and can donate what they are able to, with goodie bags as a thank you for coming).

Generously supported goodie bags were well received with additional help this time from Natural Instinct, Beco Pets, ongoing from the pet department at a local independent garden centre Monkton Elm Garden Centre, the Kong Company, Royal Canin, Tone Veterinary Centre in Taunton and Sunlimited Rosettes.

We managed to run a small pop up tombola table with some great prizes ranging from a couple of DVD's by Absolute Dogs, natural treats, food and toys.

I am so pleased to be involved with the generous and kind hearted schnauzer community, more recently with the Schnauzerfest events in October through several walks and helping organising a raffle prize to fundraise for puppy farmed and rescue dogs too, our little way of paying it forward.

A grand total of £218.14 was raised on the day.

Teresa Cort & Sam

Thank You



Zip Zip and away!

I did it! Doing a Zip Wire was on my 'bucket list' - when I hit 50 last year I made a list of all the things I wanted to do but have never got round to doing! What a fab experience, I loved every second and

wanted to do it all again. The Zip Wire started from the roof of the Stadium of Light in Sunderland and took me 150ft over the River Wear, landing 900ft away on the opposite bank of the river.

Thanks must go to all the lovely staff that made it all possible, they were amazing and so helpful getting me set up and getting me 'winched' up and ready to go - not an easy task getting me over to the edge of the roof!

With the help of all my lovely friends and family sponsoring, I managed to raise £200 which was split between £100 for Foundation of Light (obligatory to be able to do the zip wire) and £100 for Dog A.I.D. So what's next on my 'Bucket List'? I'm planning my next adrenaline rush so watch this space!

Lynn Stacey



news... FUNDRAISING



Baz and Alex at the North East Dog Festival where £233 was raised, big thanks to Oz McCormack who helped out on the day and to Stagecoach for their £100 donation



On Wednesday 25th October, Molly and Lucy Watts attended a meeting of the Leigh Lions, where Lucy gave a speech about Dog A.I.D. and shared their story before doing a

demonstration of some of Molly's tasks. The demo went down very well and questions taken at the end of the session evidenced how amazed the Lions were about Dog A.I.D. They gave a £50 donation.

Thank you!

PUT THE FUN FUNDRAISER

THANKS Beau meets a new friend at Calverhall family day when Christine, Paul and Beau had a stall on a cold damp Sunday in September. Over the summer Christine, Beau and Paul have raised approx. £500 doing car boots, shows and selling items privately.



"Lydiard Bark", Swindon on a Sunday fulfilled all the criteria in our book for a successful charity event, raising awareness and funds, sharing the time, news and success with good friends, a team effort. A big thank you to Margaret and Heidi, Vivienne

and Elsa, Loz and Doris, Teresa and Sam and Anna and Bumble (sadly unable to join us on the day). Together we have enjoyed several such occasions, happy memories seeing our dogs recognise one another! We also welcomed new client Trena, her husband and son, Gabriel, who made himself hoarse enthusiastically saying "Come and have a go" at our children's games, 'dogbola' and 'match a puppy', which all together the games raised an excellent £120.

A wonderful memory to take with us, as John and I, after thirteen years of planning and organising events, accept the limitations of age. This was our 'swan song', tinged with sadness. As a team on the day, we can all celebrate a wonderful total raised of £356.00



Sheila & John Sadler



Vitality 10,000 Race

On Bank Holiday Monday 29th May I made my way from London to Kent, to take part in the Vitality 10,000 Race.

The 10k race started at the Mall, in central London, and continued along the Stand Holborn, St Pauls, before heading back along Whitehall and finishing outside Buckingham Palace. At the start I could not believe I was about to start running along the Mall which is so famous for the London Marathon.

I was sent a Dog A.I.D. running vest and I also ordered some letters so I could have my name on, as it's a great help when you have the crowds shouting your name to encourage you on the day. The weather was very humid so I was happy to finish in exactly an hour. I was so proud to cross the finishing line outside Buckingham Palace, where I received a medal, finishers t-shirt and good bag.

I would like to thank Caroline and Dog A.I.D. for supporting me and helping me raise much needed funds, also a special thanks goes to Lucy Watts MBE and Molly (PDSA Order of Merit) who inspired me to raise money for Dog A.I.D.

My final total raised was £2,678.25

I would like to send my best wishes to all who are involved with this wonderful charity.

Andres Forsman



thank you!



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- £491.40 - Newstead Abbey Dog Fest
- £86 - Formby WI
- £50 - Raleigh Trefoil Guild
- £46.82 - Magnolia Shopping centre, Exmouth
- £50 - Anita & Larry Castellina, RAC compensation
- £58.12 - Peter & Oatie Bond
- £14.27 - MAC box
- £223.94 - The Town and Country Fair in Hastings
- £95.84 - Peter & Oatie Bond, Budleogh
- £61.95 - Car Boot sale, Paul & Chris Evans
- £153.22 - Myerscough
- £60.88 - Peter & Oatie Bond, Sidmouth
- £50 - Senior Citizens Group, Viv Sleightholm
- £98.73 - Peter & Oatie Bond, Honiton
- £182.87 - Peter & Oatie Bond, Guildhall
- £40 - Senior Citizens group, Ruth Piggott
- £255 - BBQ/Strawberries, Sue Line
- £11.66 - Longford Fish bar, Sue Line
- £15.74 - Sue Line
- £60.87 - Car Boot sale, Paul & Chris Evans
- £104.41 - Peter & Oatie Bond, Tiverton
- £139.32 - Stanley Village green
- £122.50 - Snodland Carnival
- £30 - Carpenters Park Ladies Club
- £306 - Lydiard Bark/Independent Living, Sheila Sadler
- £200 - North West Rotary
- £284.42 - M&S store collection
- £61.57 - Mileoak School Fete
- £122.38 - Kays Spa & Garage
- £50.21 - Peter & Oatie Bond, Axminster
- £29 - Deborah Cornwall
- £86.01 - Marye Arnett-Clarke
- £85 - Home made stock, Marye Arnett-Clarke
- £74 - Dog A.I.D AGM, Marye Arnett-Clarke
- £33 - Dog A.I.D AGM, Ann, Kate, Sandra
- £87.96 - Dog A.I.D AGM, Ann, Kate, Sandra
- £87.62 - Car Boot, Paul & Chris Evans
- £140 - Sale of settle mats, Kathie Ward
- £203.66 - Brighton Pride
- £249.64 - Doodlefest
- £40 - Probus talk, Marye Arnett-Clarke
- £12.66 - collection box, Marye Arnett-Clarke
- £172.48 - Shrewsbury Flower Show
- £75.83 - Scruffs Dog Show in Hove
- £46.31 - Tern Valley Vintage Show
- £219.19 - Royal Egham Show
- £27.90 - Claverhall Family day, Paul & Chris Evans
- £302.64 - North East Dog Festival
- £265.90 - Client/Trainers workshop
- £76.15 - Always the Fun Festival
- £40 - Mickleover WI
- £23.50 - Anita & Larry Castellina
- £100 - John Beauchamp on behalf of Rebecca Torrens
- £11.97 - PPM, Jill Doran
- £239.80 - Merseyside Show
- £87.45 - Car Boot sale, Paul & Chris Evans
- £100 - Stagecoach, Leonie Zacharias
- £30 - Matlock & Ladies Fellowship
- £39 - Rise 4 Disability
- £11.70 - Collection Box, Marye Arnett-Clarke
- £9.08 - Rainbow Dogs, Mike Garner
- £40 - Eastwood Probus
- £25.74 - Amanda Holder collection
- £250 - Banbury & District Dog Training Society
- £20 - Chris Urwin
- £160 - John Ruskin School
- £150 - Lou Squires & The Millings
- Care Home
- £3,000.00 - Mr J Horne
- £30 - Pleasant Monday Afternoon
- £92.20 - St Barnard's Hampstead parish Church
- £75 - Mary's Dog Training Club
- £10,430.00 - The Ostacchini Family Charitable Trust
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- £247.55 - Prospect House Veterinary Clinic
- £227 - Bella's-Trix Club/Outwood Hound, Dog Trick Workshop
- £100 - Bella's-Trix Club (June)
- £330 - Art Workshop (Karen & Jess Walker)
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A FUNdraising Summer in SUSSEX

< The Town and Country Fair in Hastings had Maddy & Jake, Sandra & Ella, Caz & Asha and Vivienne & Elsa raising a fabulous £223.94.



The first ever Disability Pride was held in Brighton, Maddy & Jake and Sandra & Ella attended the day which was the first of it's kind in the UK. Although there were no actual collections permitted, Dog A.I.D. was the only Assistance Dog charity represented on the day and there was a huge amount of interest, there was even a queue of people wanted to ask about Dog A.I.D.

< Maddy & Jake and Sandra & Ella spent the day at Mileoak School Fete Brighton, doing demo's and raised a grand total of £61.57.



< The troupers were out again for Scruffs in Hove, Maddy & Jake and Sandra & Ella raised £75.83 manning awareness stall and doing demo's.



^ Pride at Brighton brought together Maddy & Jake, Sandra & Ella, Caz & Asha, Teresa & Sam, trainer Mike and Vivienne & Elsa for a day of demo's and fundraising. Despite the weather being against them with the wind threatening to take the gazebo! The team were successful in raising £203.66.

Thank You!



ALSO IN SUSSEX

Our amazing supporter Professor Elemental donated £31.35 from and himself and his family. The Prof's two little girls helped with a collection and even donated some of their pocket money, how amazing is that!

Dog A.I.D. Trainer Mike (of Rainbow Dogs, Brighton) collected £9.08 during a Dog Club activity.

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- Pill-resistant fabric

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- Cadet collar
- Self-coloured zips
- Pill-resistant fabric

Fabric - 100% Polyester pill-resistant.

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Fabric - Waterproof Hydrafort 5000 peached polyester Inner: 220 series anti-pill symmetry fleece

Size S 37/38" M 39/40" L 41/42"

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Fabric - Waterproof Hydrafort 5000 peached polyester Inner: 220 series anti-pill symmetry fleece

Size S 37/38" M 39/40" L 41/42"

XL 43/44" 2XL 46/48" 3XL 49/51"

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