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BRANCH NEWS





June and Doreen at our Strawberry Tea at our July meeting

Welcome to our second newsletter of 2024. You will have received our special interim edition which celebrated the life of our Branch's Honorary President, Rosemary Marshall and I am sure you will be sad to hear that her husband Fred Marshall also passed away recently. Another loss to the sheltie world was long standing member Jane Diment of Peerieglen Shelties whose late husband Vic was a regular branch attendee and part of the men's kitchen brigade. Jane had great success in breeding and showing, being particularly known for blue merles and bi blacks.

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My First Adventure at Crufts: A Sheltie Lovers Tale



Stepping into Crufts for the first time was like entering a realm of fluffy enchantment. I've never beheld so many Shelties gathered in one place; it was a sight to behold, a symphony of barks and wagging tails. The sheer cuteness overload was enough to make any dog lover's heart skip a beat.

Crufts is a fantastic show for the whole family. Lots to do for everyone, from reading corners for kids with therapy dogs and delicious street food and drinks for all. Amidst the hustle and bustle, there's a real opportunity for shopping and to get some great deals on toys, food and accessories.

However, a word of advice for fellow enthusiasts: if you plan to visit the main hall for agility and heelwork shows, arrive first thing in the morning. The queues can stretch for nearly two hours as the day goes on. But fear not, for there's plenty to see and do elsewhere. Don't miss out on the smaller stages, where you'll witness phenomenal displays by young handlers and surprisingly riveting obedience ring.

What struck me most was the unwavering focus on dogs' welfare. At Crufts, the real champions are the dogs themselves. I got to spend a whole day surrounded by good boys and girls - it's the best! I'm Ready to for Crufts 2025!!

By Geri Saks

KC Good Citizen Dog Scheme

The branch once again welcomed Lyn Fagg as our examiner for the Kennel Club Good Citizen Dog Scheme examinations on June 2nd. Congratulations to all the Shelties who passed their tests!

Bronze:

Lilian Mettan-Ure's Oakcrofts Venturer Denise Chaplin's Shougie Mystical Star Lee Tuppen's Carolelen Class Act

Silver:

Lilian Mettan-Ure's Oakcroft Cosmic Flower JW
Melody Cheal's Valdosta Galadriel at Faemadra JW
Melody Cheal's Ch Sheltysham Rose Wood
Jean Elliott's Valdosta Ginger Rogers
Lois Dowling's Gio
Julia Carr's Hillhenry Hidden Gem
Sarah Clough's Jontygray Tropical Sunrise

Silver:

Dora Sendal's Sendora to be Special

Gold:

Lilian Mettan Ure's Savendie Dragonfly
Lilian Mettan Ure's Oakcroft Cosmic Aura
Melody Cheal's Carolelen Call my Bluff at Faemadra
Melody Cheal's Valdosta Enable at Faemadra
Lynne Lester's Oakcroft Apollo
Lois Dowling's Valdosta Honeysuckle
June Best's Milesend Holly
Phoebe Fillery's Wavesong Born to be Noisy







Branch member results - congratulations to all

Yearling dog VHC (5th) Valdosta Gracelands JW (Miss A Mitchell

Mid limit dog VHC (5th) Valdosta Lionking at Lynscot (Mrs L Fagg)

Good Citizen Dog Scheme Dog (3rd) Evad Lite Breeze (Miss S L Clough)

Junior bitch (2nd) Evad Halloween Spice (Mrs D K Weller) Yearling bitch (2nd) Valdosta Goddess JW (Miss A Mitchell)

Mid limit bitch (2nd) Esterbon Three Kisses for Tighness (Mrs L K Whittington)

Good Citizen Dog Scheme Bitch (2nd) Evad Halloween Spice (Mrs D K Weller)



Where: Capel Community Hall, Falmouth Place, Five Oak Green, Nr. Paddock Wood, Kent



REMINDER: Subs were due in January 2024