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NEWSLETTER
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Hi everyone and we trust you all had a very nice Christmas and New Year. Karma Dog Training is going from strength to strength with plenty of new attendees.

The cost of Improvers and Advanced classes are now £5.00. Cost of two dogs from the same family remains the same at £7.00. The Puppy Course remains the same at £45.00 for the 8 week course.

We would like to welcome the following who started the Puppy Foundation Course on 8/1/08.
Lisa Brown & Bonnie/Boxer, Tammy West & Kevin McDougall & Millie/Shitz Sui, Andrew Woodley & Sasha/German Shepherd, Paul & Julie Hampson & Kaiser/Border Collie, Sharon Taylor & Zippy/Labrador, Cheryl Roberts & Lurcher(No name at the moment), Sue Chillingworth & Gem/Border Collie, Laura Rush & Poppy/ Min. Schnauzer, Janet Caisey & Daisy/Springer Spaniel, Frances Griffiths & Polly/ Labrador.

We wish everyone well and trust they begin a lifetime of learning through these classes.

DOG DISPLAY TEAM.

We have been invited to attend 'ALL ABOUT DOGS' at Brentwood on 10th and 11th May. We are in a side arena and are going to give a basic obedience display as per our training classes. We shall wear Spirit of the Dog T-Shirts; we have plenty so if you do not have one, let Mal know ASAP. Times to be confirmed. We will be practising I am sure so it will be good fun.

I expect we will be doing other displays during the season.

POEM.

A POEM FROM THE HEART OF MAN'S BEST FRIEND.
BY CLAUDINE TISBURY

Electric collars, spray collars, we don't think so
Prevention and better understanding is far better you know,
Check chains and yanking cause's pain and distress,
Take a trip into our world, kind methods are best.

No more scuffing of the neck or smacking of the nose,
In our world this means threatening to kill, not discipline or teaching as some humans suppose.

No kicking or beatings we don't know what for,
We try to tell you in our language, no more, no more!

Disc throwing you know has no meaning to us
Just what and why for? But you think it's a must.

As mans best friend please take time to see.
As mans best friend we try to please.

So please no more harsh methods that are mentioned above.
So train with understanding and kindness,
To bring about lasting happiness and love.

FLYBALL.

We are hoping to get some input from the Flyball Club in Basildon. However, no final date has been set for this. In the mean time please let us know if you are interested.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

15TH March at Brotherhood hall Clacton- Alternative Therapy Day. Lots of stalls, refreshments, Tombola. All proceeds to the Spirit of the Dog.

3rd May but to be confirmed. Photo shoot by Professional Photographer of your dogs and or families. Dogs pictures with your permission for a 2009 Spirit of the Dog Calendar.
Venue to be confirmed.

Times etc will be confirmed as it will have to be by appointment. Option to purchase pictures also.

10th and 11th May Display Team at All About Dogs Brentwood-Times to be confirmed plus Tombola
All proceeds to Spirit of the Dog.

16th August Quiz night at St Osyth Village Hall 7:30pm for 8:00pm start
All proceeds to Spirit of the Dog.

13th September Disco Soken House The Triangle Frinton on Sea 8pm – 11pm
Ticket sale and price nearer the date.
All proceeds to Spirit of the Dog.

ACHEIVEMENTS.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE FOLLOWING FOR COMPLETING THE PUPPY FOUNDATION COURSE.

Emma Tilstone & Lola, Tracy Cooke & Sizzles, Paul Phelan & Colo, Paul Crosby & Ned, Marion & Lolie, Brenda Deacon & Pippa, Julie Benson & Maverick, Alessandra Wilkins & Leo, Trevor Smith & Molly, Kerry Kennedy & Daisy May, Heather Frost & Bailey, Samantha Hill & Frank, David Brown & Dylan, Margaret Hearn & Ty, Lorraine Smith & Jake, Jane Pleass & Bonny, Annabelle & Dodger, Diane Reed & Monty and Michele Bevis & Carl.

Warm congratulations to Kris Baxter and her young Airedale, Jazz for the following:-

23/9/07 Tolleshunt Knights Dog Show
SECOND- Dog the judge would most like to take home.
THIRD- Prettiest Puppy, Bitch.

29/9/07 Bradwell on Sea Companion Dog Show
THIRD Prettiest Bitch
FOURTH Open Show.

2/12/07 South of England Airedale Terrier Club Championship Show
VERY HIGHLY COMMENDED. Minor /Puppy Class.

23/12/07 Colchester & District Canine Society Open Show.
SECOND All variety not classified – Minor/Puppy.

CLACTON ANIMAL AID – LITTLE CLACTON.

There is a question mark over the future of the dog section at the above charity. Jane and Claudine were asked to work with the dogs that need help before they can be rehomed. This is a fundamental objective of Spirit of the Dog, to train before rehoming. They have worked with Charlie a 2 yr Collie X who was never socialised and displays aggression to other dogs and with Ruby a 7 month Labradoodle and her potential new owners. They gave advice about diet for the dogs and suggested a dry food without colour additives. The work they have done has been very positive. Charlie is beginning to display much calmer behaviour. The charity has changed the

dog's diet and report an amazing improvement in all the dogs' behaviour at the kennels. Jane and Claudine will be doing more work for them in the future.

Spirit of the Dog



Rehabilitation Fund