

The Beagle Club Newsletter

The first quarter of 2011 is over no more dark nights and cold weather, light nights and sunshine, ideal for getting out and about with our favourite breed.

Firstly a VERY BIG THANK YOU to all of our members and friends who gave us an advert in 'This is The Beagle' without your support it wouldn't happen, and it is very much appreciated.

Debbie Finch our representative with Beagle Welfare tells us that they have plenty of hounds wanting homes, they come and go reasonably quickly, but if anyone knows of a little corner to squeeze one more Beagle in let us know. We all acknowledge keeping a couple is more fun for both us and the hounds, a good time of year to take on a challenge too.

The Beagle Health Seminar was held on the 20th February, it was mainly attended by beagle owners with some from other hound breeds. Ideal venue at the Animal Health Trust, a very successful and informative day was had by all.

In March our president David Webster was hospitalized, now back at home being look after by his daughters, we all wish him a speedy recovery, breed notes will not be the same until he is back at the helm.

One of the main events in the canine calendar is Crufts, now been and gone for another year, with everyone wanting to qualify for 2012. Congratulations go to Serena Parker & Graham Stevens (Serenaker) for representing us in the Group. Melanie Spavin (Dialynne) for making a new Champion up on the day and not forgetting Georgina Kemp

(Timamso) being awarded Best Puppy in Breed. Thanks must also go to everyone who helps out at Discover Dogs as they are our ambassadors to the general public, a very important job indeed.

On the 26th saw our open show judged by Mr Frank Borg from Malta. He gave all exhibits plenty of time before making his decisions. Junior Handling was judged by Mrs Karen Simkin (Simeldaka) all winners can be seen on results pages of our website. The AGM followed, with all that attended happy with the way our club was performing in this difficult climate, we are not alone most canine societies are seeing numbers dwindle. If anyone has any bright ideas to get the younger generations back showing dogs we would love to hear from you. We would also like to welcome new committee member Sally Precey (Detrick) Sally is full of enthusiasm and will be an asset to us all.

We all hope you are looking forward to our Championship Show on Saturday 11th June, followed by the BBQ on Sunday 12th in conjunction with Beagle Welfare. Everyone welcome bring family and friends, see you all there, make it your Beagle weekend-break.

Cheers for reading this somewhat out dated method of media, what with Facebook, Twitter and the like!!!!!!

Regards Tim

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