

"HEARING MATES" SOUTH HAMPSHIRE BRANCH

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The South Hampshire Branch of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People is always looking for volunteers to help raise funds, become Puppy Socialisers, fundraisers or sponsors for any of the dog training needs listed on the charity website.

If you feel able to help in any way connected with support for Hearing Dogs do please contact Membership Secretary, Chris Seward. Your help, however small is always greatly appreciated by the Deaf or hard of hearing recipients of the dogs who are trained to help them.

Next Hearing Mates - Autumn 2011 - please send your items no later than
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Hearing Dogs for Deaf People is a charity that trains dogs to alert deaf people to sounds such as the alarm clock, doorbell and smoke alarm. The dogs alert by touching with a paw – then leading their owner back to the sound. For sounds like the smoke alarm the dogs alert then lie down to indicate danger. As well as practical help, hearing dogs give increased confidence, security and independence. They are free of charge to the deaf applicant. Whenever possible, the dogs are selected from rescue centres. They are also donated by breeders and members of the public, with the remainder coming from the Charity's own breeding scheme.



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BRANCH

Report from the Chair

Hi to you all,

Many of you will know me from the past 3 years as Secretary for the South Hants Branch, but we've all had a bit of a shuffle around and I now find myself as Chair, taking over from Jeanette who has performed a very sterling job for many years. Thanks to Jeanette for all her hard work – I hope I can live up to expectations!

It's been a very busy 2010 and it looks set to be just as busy in 2011. We are all working hard to try and raise funds over the next 12 months, especially hard in these much more trying times, but with fingers crossed and the support we have always had from you, we are in a positive frame of mind that we can achieve great results once again.

Our calendar is bursting with various events and collections with some new ventures included. A list of all our events can be found on our web pages and Christine or I will be delighted to speak to anyone wishing to come along and support us - with their time and maybe even their money!

Paws4Coffee is at Netley – will be over by the time this issue is published – details about the day will be in the next magazine issue. A new event and one of the biggest we are holding this year is our Newfoundland Rescue at Town Quay, Southampton on 02 July. We are aiming to have 35 volunteers jumping into the harbour, to be rescued by the wonderfully powerful (but ever so gentle) 14 stone Newfoundland Dogs that are travelling up from Bristol especially for us. Lots of people are involved with this event, including the Associated British Ports and hopefully even the BBC! So let's make this an event to remember – please apply to join in if you so wish – there are still some places left. If you don't fancy getting wet yourself, how about sponsoring someone else to do it? And yes, I'll be jumping in – I can't ask others to do it if I won't now can I?

There is also our usual Coffee Morning at Botley – always a great success with lots of stalls to buy a variety of interesting items. In addition we are attending the Deaf World Exhibition; held this year in Winchester at the Guildhall. This takes place every two years and we are lucky to be able to have a stand again.

Report from the Chair (continued)

All I ask of you as supporters is that you continue to help the committee and Hearing Dogs and that we can all go on to make that huge difference once again to getting those pups and dogs trained and matched to recipients. And I assure you that I and the rest of the committee are dedicated to raising funds and awareness of this wonderful charity! Many thanks to you all and let's hope that sun keeps shining for us!

Barbara Pink

We have to report the sad loss of Jan Leal - a hard working member of the branch. Ken, her husband writes:
"The monies donated to Jan's memory will be forwarded to 'new beginning', this is to acquire a puppy and place with a socialiser. Jan always wanted to support a dog and I think this would be her wish. I will also arrange for her name to be put in the Book of Remembrance. When the undertaker said £1,094.14 had been collected I felt as though I'd won the lottery and Jan will be very proud of you all. I cannot say a big enough thank you to all HD4DP friends, personal friends and family".

Ken Leal

Puppy Walks

The second Tuesday of each month continues to be the date of our walks.

During the dirty and dreary weather of the winter months we've been glad to walk at the Victoria Country Park where there is a reasonable amount of hard surface however now that the weather is improving we will be walking in the Upper Hamble Country Park, meeting outside the tea room at the earlier time of 10am.

If you are not familiar with the park, exit M27 at J8 - do not go towards the big Windhover roundabout, but exit in the opposite direction and turn right after 200 yards i.e. 2nd turning. Follow the road as far as it goes - about 1 mile - then you will be in the tearoom car park. All our supporters are welcome to join us for this 2 mile amble and to bring pet dogs (assuming they are well behaved). We usually have a cuppa at the end so if you can't manage 10am join us around 11 45 am

Socialisers are welcome to take their pups into the farmyard and visit the animals before the walk (free entry) but please be OUT before the school parties arrive at 10am

Looking forward to meeting some new faces as well as "old" friends

Jeanette



REGULAR FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

Keep collecting used stamps



For used postage stamps **ONLY** send or take to:
Maureen Heasman, 6 Minster Close Fareham
PO15 5PB or hand to any committee member.



Stamps do not need to be sorted into types but, if you want to help prepare them, please trim or tear away excess paper and keep older ones (10yrs+) separate

PRINTER AND LASER TONER CARTRIDGES - but NOT EPSON

Instead of throwing your used cartridges away in the general rubbish please keep them in their original boxes and either:

- Give to a member of the committee who will see they are taken to Headquarters or..
- Contact Hearing Dogs on: 01844 348100 (voice and Minicom) or..
- Contact: Reclaim-It - Telephone: 01635 876900 who will provide free containers and collection.

CHARITY FLOWERS DIRECT

Ring: 0990 300 600



15% of the retail price of every order goes to the participating charity. **To support Hearing Dogs quote HDD when ordering.**
Order online at: <http://www.charityflowers.co.uk>



MILK BOTTLE TOPS - any colour

but must have a '2' inside a recycle triangle.

Give your tops to a committee member who will take for recycling
Please also note: caps from other products are not acceptable.

LOTTERY

Raise funds by playing the

Lottery Game or the Great Weather Lottery Game; simply complete the leaflet and send to the enclosed address or visit to play at:
www.hearingdogs.org.uk or www.theweatherlottery.com



Search the Internet with
<http://www.clicknow.org.uk>
HearingDogs

And every time you search you will be raising money for Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. Average use of CLICK NOW generates around £50 per person per year.

Issy, Izzey (and Rodney!)

For those of you who have wondered what I have been talking about for the last year (nothing new there then - says Tim) when I mention Issy 2 or Izzey 4 - I thought it was about time I clarified the situation!

Last year Tim and I decided that before we got too old, and when Tara our second cockerpoo went to the Grange, we would have a try with a bigger Hearing Dog puppy. After consulting our HD trainer Lucy, who I have to say, seemed somewhat sceptical about the whole idea (can't think why, Lucy?) we set off with Issy 2 (legs) - our 8 year old granddaughter to collect our latest recruit.

We had been in touch via Hearing Dogs with Tim (another one) and Viv, the new Mum and Dad of Rodney, our Welsh toy boy cockerpoo, who now lives quite close to the Grange in Chinnor. Rodney had completed his training, been placed with a recipient in Yorkshire, but after eight months decided that chasing things was much more fun and had been withdrawn to become yet another 'fallen angel'. Tim and Viv had been waiting over a year for a suitable dog and were delighted when naughty Rodney was offered to them and Rodney certainly fell on all 4 paws. I know lots of us worry about where our dogs may end up, but be assured fallen angels go to wonderful homes, if Rodney is anything to go by. Tim and Viv made us very welcome and it was great to see Rodney in such a lovely home - so many thanks to them and all the other people who have 'fallen angels'.

Onto the Grange, where we were allowed into the puppy pen, and Issy 2 was promptly surrounded by the 'l' littler of Lab puppies - including Izzey 4 (legs). They are part of Hearing Dog breed scheme with Dad, a Guide Dog Labrador and their Mum 'Summer' a Golden Retriever - socialised by Mandy Wright - so no pressure there then. Izzey is the most wonderful affectionate dog - a real sappy date and lovely with everyone. We have had to make some adjustments around the house i.e. a new 6ft gate as she vaulted the old one and various household items have disappeared or been chewed a bit - but then she is a Labrador!!

We have lost count of how many schools, special units, Colleges, Guides, Brownies and Scouts group Izzey has visited during the last year, and we (as usual) will be so, so sorry to see her go in June, but hope she will make someone a wonderful Hearing Dog and, if not, just ask Rodney - life's great as a 'fallen angel.'

Chris and Tim Seward - with all thanks to Issy 2 (legs) for her continuing help in socialising our Hearing Dog puppies.



TREASURER'S REPORT April 2011



As you may know, another name has popped into the South Hants Treasurers role, as at the recent AGM after 5 years as Branch Treasurer, Roy Stainton stood down to enjoy a well deserved rest from being 'King of Gift Aid'. I am sure you would all wish to join me in thanking Roy for all the sterling (finance joke!) work he has done in managing our Branch finances.

By way of introduction, over the past four years since retiring from Lloyds Bank (which obviously precipitated the current financial crisis) my wife, Chris and I have been socialisers and speakers and have also become more involved in fundraising activities; and I am now looking forward to the additional role of Treasurer.

I am pleased to be able to tell you all that thanks to your continuing fundraising efforts, Roy was able to report that the Branch transferred the grand sum of £42,460 to Hearing Dogs HQ - a record year for South Hants - set against the recent closures of both Oxford and Middlesex branches as they were sadly unable to find replacement Branch officers to enable their Branches to continue.

For all those members who claim their various expenses and then donate them back to Hearing Dogs, the additional 'Gift Aid' amount that the Government adds to these donations amounted to a substantial £1618 to our funds. If you would like to know how to do this please contact me - it's really easy to do, I promise!

Tim Seward

Stamps...Stamps.... Stamps....

People often ask what we do with them and where do they go? Many charities collect used stamps and dealers buy them by the kilo - they mix material from different sources, make up sets and sell in retail and wholesale quantities at home and overseas. We mainly use a local dealer and I've recently taken over from Barbara the exciting task of sifting through and preparing the stamps for him - but of course if you want to help with this, it is very welcome! The main principle is simply bulk, plus the following factors which influence the price paid and so help to maximise our income:-

Stamps should be left on their backing paper with a small border, but no excess paper. Excess paper means a border of more than 1cm, or "double weight" (which is where the front and back of the envelope are present). Too much paper means less paid per kilo.

Our dealer takes used stamps all mixed in together. All make money, but the more foreign and special issues in the mix, the better the price.

If we are given any stamp collections or old GB (pre decimal or low value below 30p), these are best kept separate.

In 2010 the Branch raised over £550 from the sale of used stamps, the national total was £11k, and we hope to do even better this year. Please keep collecting, give them to me (details at the back) or hand to any committee member.

Maureen Heasman (In total HQ received £11,565.93 for stamps in 2010)

LATEST FUNDRAISING NEWS

Last year, South Hants people, their Hearing Dogs and puppies went to various stores across our area, raising at least £300 a day and this year we are very hopeful to do the same - if not more - with your help?

What is a 'collection' you may ask? It is a very interesting couple of hours with the great British public showing lots of interest in Hearing Dogs and puppies - especially if there are some lovely dogs on the stand with us. You are always partnered by an experienced Hearing Dog person, so don't feel you will be alone!

If you can spare a couple of hours this summer PLEASE can you look at the Events calendar on page 11, or contact any committee member who will be delighted to supply you with the current list of collections, events and shows.

Waitrose 'Community Matters' Scheme was also very lucrative for us last year, raising a total of nearly £4000. So, if you are ever near a Waitrose store please pop in and complete the green 'Community Matters' form, usually available from Customer Services desk.

As Secretary, I have recently written on behalf of South Hants, to all M & S and Sainsbury stores in our area. We received a £20 M & S gift voucher from Basingstoke, but were even more delighted on the same day to receive a £500 donation from the Staff Charity Committee from M & S Hedge End. We have a 2 day collection there on Saturday 14th and Sunday 15 May, which is an excellent location and always really busy.

Sainsbury at Badger Farm, Winchester have also written back with details of 'Sainsbury's Charity Partner of the Year' scheme, which begins again in May. As South Hants Hearing Dogs have had collections at Badger Farm over many years, the staff there already know Hearing Dogs, so we may be in with a good chance of being nominated. Please look out for black and orange nomination forms in each store from the beginning of May and get your friends, families and neighbours to complete them too!

Please can you keep your eyes open for any other stores, organisations (large and small) schools and colleges who may be looking to nominate a Charity of the Year - as you just never know.....?

Chris Seward

Note from Roy Stainton:

I have recently delivered two loads of horse manure and have been paid a donation to Hearing Dogs as a result. Maybe you have some other unusual ways of collecting funds - if so we would like to hear about them?

MORE FUNDRAISING POSSIBILITIES

I attended a friend's funeral last year and the Funeral Director approached me at the end and wanted to know more about Hearing Dogs for Deaf People and what the charity did and my hearing dog, Yogi. We have kept in contact and he has very kindly offered to help us; He has offered to help us in a variety of ways:

- A window display advertising Hearing Dogs in his shop so people walking by or entering the premises can read about the charity.
- Mentioning the charity when people prefer to donate to an animal charity.
- Donate 10 per cent of any funerals undertaken if people mention Hearing dogs when they book.
- He is also offering a prize of a meal for two with a chauffeur driven limousine for a Paws for Coffee event.

The Directors name is Simon Waters Tel number is 02380 434244.

Steve Beal and Yogi



'My best friend' and 'Dedication' (Page 6) written by Hazel Foster, whose husband Barry has HD Katie

BRISTLING WITH POISON

The oak processionary moth, *Thaumetopoea processionea*, first came to Britain from Holland on imported trees.

Each of its caterpillars is covered with 63,000 tiny poisonous hairs.

Contact with the hairs can cause rashes and itchy eyes.

If inhaled, they can trigger asthma or anaphylactic shock.

Pest controllers treat nests with hairspray to stop bristles floating off before burning them.

Adult females lay up to 200 eggs at a time on the twigs of oak, hornbeam, beech, hazel and birch trees.

The caterpillars have grey bodies, dark heads, a single dark stripe down their back and a white line on either side.

TAILS OF WOE!



Note:

Dogs as well as humans are very susceptible to the Oak Processionary moth, so beware!

<http://www.dogmagazine.net/archives/5338/authorities-set-to-tackle-london-moth-hazard-to-animals/>

The New Disability Equality Act 2010

This Act replaces the old DDA of 1982 and contains modifications which clarify and in many cases improve the provisions concerning access issues for people with disabilities. **The significant improvements include:**

1. Discrimination arising from disability (DAD) and Indirect Discrimination

This applies if discrimination occurs when a disabled person is treated less favourably because of something connected with their disability - a hearing dog for example and not necessarily the disability itself.

2. Restriction on medical questions in recruitment, which may discriminate against, for example a deaf person, gaining employment.

3. A ban on direct discrimination and harassment in provision of services.

Previously, there was no protection from disability-related harassment in relation to goods and services - it applied only to employment. Under the new Act, any unwanted behaviour, such as refusal of access to goods and services for disabled people, both directly (e.g. You can't come in here because you are deaf and would not hear the fire alarm) or indirectly, (e.g. access to a hearing dog) is unlawful.

4. Victimisation. It is unlawful for an employer to treat a disabled person badly because they have made or may make a complaint about discrimination or harassment.

5. Reasonable adjustment. The requirement for service providers to make reasonable adjustment to normal practice to accommodate disabled people has been changed. Previously it would apply if access was "impossible or unreasonably difficult" for a disabled person. The new Act requires that adjustments to provisions, practice or physical features be made if the disabled person would be at a "substantial disadvantage" with regard to access.

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DisabledPeople/index.htm>

Can you spare a couple of hours for South Hants Hearing Dogs this year?

In 2010 the South Hants Branch of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People raised £42,460 and in 2011 - with your help - we are hoping to raise even more. Last year South Hants Hearing dogs went to many interesting and diverse venues from the BUPA South Coast run to the National Trust Community Day at Mottisfont Abbey - together with many other events - from rock concerts to pet shows!

Our programme this year includes store collections and various events across the area and you all are **most** welcome to come along. It is also an excellent opportunity (if you have a Hearing Dog puppy) to socialise your puppy and raise money at the same time! You are always partnered with an experienced Hearing Dog person for a maximum of two hours - so do have a look at our planned dates for this summer, and let us know which ones you would like to come along to by returning the attached form as soon as possible please.

We are also running some new fund raising events this year, including a Nearly New Book Sale, Spring Paws for Coffee and Sponsored Newfoundland Rescue!

Perhaps you would like to become a member of the South Hants Branch? If so please contact Chris Seward, Membership Secretary who will send you a form to complete. (Contact details on the back page)

As a South Hants member, your details will be added to our Supporter's database*, you will receive a Hearing Dog badge, the national Hearing Dog magazine 'Favour', together with our South Hants 'Hearing Mates' magazine and regular updates of local Hearing Dog events.

If you are already a South Hants member, just complete the form attached and return to the membership secretary please, to ensure your details are up to date.

**The only details entered onto the database are your name, address, phone numbers & email. At no time will this information be passed to any other organisation or individual. Strict confidentiality will be observed at all times. This information will only be used to send you details about the South Hants Branch of the Hearing Dogs Charity or the work of Hearing Dogs HQ*

Donations received since Spring 2011 Hearing Mates

Personal donations

Mr and Mrs T Ash
 Mrs J Baverstock
 Mrs V Mason
 Diana Burns
 Mr and Mrs K Manchip
 Jo Pointer
 Mrs H M Smith
 Mr and Mrs S Beal
 Ann Perrett
 Sharon Pethybridge
 Cathy Plumb
 Mr and Mrs Blackburn
 P Jezard
 Dorothy Matthews
 Mr and Mrs L Hatfield
 Mrs J Collett
 Joyce Paskin
 Mr and Mrs M Pink
 Hilary Boxall
 Beryl Bourton
 Mr and Mrs P Cull
 Mr and Mrs C Hunt
 Mr K Leal

Dr and Mrs S Stainton
 Pat Roberts
 Mr and Mrs T Seward
 J Coomber
 Mr and Mrs S Young

Other donations

Fareham W.I.
 Fareham College
 Fareham Methodist Ladies
 Fareham Trinity Church
 Chandlers Ford 'Happy Bunch'
 Highbury College
 St Vincent College
 Radio Solent 'Community Chest'
 M & S Hedge End
 M & S Basingstoke
 Village Vets
 'Young at Heart'
 Swanmore New Age
 Woolston Beer Festival
 Gosport Townswoman Guild
 Millbrook Church Wives

Fundraising, events & collections for 2011



Day	Date	Event	Venue	Postcode
Saturday	16 April	Sainsbury -- collection	Broadcut, Fareham	PO168SU
Sunday	17 April	Sainsbury -- collection	Broadcut, Fareham	"
Saturday	23 April	St George's Fayre	Stubbington	PO142PP
Saturday	14 May	M & S - collection	Hedge End	SO302UH
Saturday	18 June	Haskins Garden Centre - collection	West End	SO183HW
Sunday	19 June	Haskins Garden Centre - collection	West End	"
Saturday	02 July	'Newfoundland Rescue'	Town Quay Southampton	SO142AQ
Tuesday	05 July	'Paws for Coffee on the Beach'	Hill Head	PO143LP
Saturday	16 July	Curridge Country Show	Curridge	SO322HE
Saturday	30 July	Carron Row Farm - stall	Segensworth	PO155UZ
Saturday	06 August	Branch Coffee Morning	Botley	SO302EA
Monday	29 August	Stubbington Fair - stall	Stubbington	PO142PP
Saturday	03 September	Sainsbury - collection	Badger Farm Winchester	SO224QB
Sunday	18 September	Hiltingbury Show	Southampton	SO535NQ
Friday	30 September	'Deaf World' Exhibition	Winchester Guildhall	SO239LJ
Saturday	08 October	The Range - collection	Gosport	PO124DS
Sunday	06 November	Winchester Car Boot Sale	Winchester	SO237AB
Saturday	19 November	Romsey Charities Fair	Romsey, Crossfield Hall	SO518GL
December		Winchester Charity Fair	Winchester	SO239LS

'DEDICATION'

THESE PEOPLE DO A WONDERFUL JOB WHEN THEY HAVE A PUPPY TO STAY THEY TRY TO TEACH THEM THE RIGHT FROM WRONG TO HELP THEM ON THEIR WAY

YOU START THEM AT THE BEGINNING YOUR DEDICATION TO THE END GET THEM READY TO START THEIR TRAINING TO BE A DEAF PERSON'S BEST FRIEND

THEIR TIME THEY GIVE AND LOTS OF PATIENCE TOO WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE YOU MIGHT ASK **THE SOCIALISERS,** OF COURSE!

Hazel Foster
 January 2010

That's YOU folks!
 (AP)

The Village Veterinary Centre

Enclosed is our donation.

Therefore that just leaves us with a message to wish all at Hearing Dogs a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From all at Village Vets

Patrick, Sarah, Sadie, Michele (and Badger) and Sue

14 December 2010

Dear Hearing Dogs,

Every year, at Village Veterinary Centre we purchase our Christmas cards from Hearing Dogs because we want to support your charity.

This year we have decided not to send Christmas Cards, but to make a donation to Hearing Dogs instead, including what we would normally spend on postage etc which means that Hearing Dogs will benefit even more.

Patrick Bullen BVSc, MRCVS
 5 Pilgrim's Close
 Chandlers Ford
 SO53 4ST
 Tel: 02380 268001
 Fax: 02380 260012

Thanks to all donors and all the other members - too many to list here, who sent additional donations with their annual membership renewal and throughout the year



Making a splash for charity!...

Local Hearing Dogs branch and Newfoundland Dog Water Display Team hold fundraising's furriest rescue event

The South Hampshire branch of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People and 'Newfound Friends', the number one Newfoundland Dog Water Display Team (featured on Channel five's 'Extraordinary Dogs series) will be making a big splash when they hold a fun-filled Newfoundland Rescue fundraising event at

Town Quay Marina, Southampton on Saturday 02 July 2011 to raise money to help train more hearing dogs.

'Newfound Friends' (www.newfoundfriends.co.uk) is a team of highly skilled and experienced Newfoundland dog owners which runs a limited number of charity fundraising rescue events up and down the country. Sponsored participants jump into water to be rescued by one of the team's massive 14-stone Newfoundland dogs!

Says Barbara Pink, Chair of the South Hampshire Hearing Dogs branch: "We have been very fortunate to be selected as one of the charities to benefit this summer, and are now looking for willing volunteers to take part in this furry fundraising event! The breeding, training, placement and life-long care of each hearing dog costs around £45,000, so we need as many willing volunteers – individuals, groups, companies and other organisations – as possible to take part and help us raise funds to change more deaf people's lives."

Minimum sponsorship to take part in the Newfoundland rescue event is £100 and there is a £25 non-returnable registration fee. There is prize of a trip on a 66ft 'Sunseeker' boat for the participant raising the most sponsorship. Places are limited so contact Chris Seward on 01329 668516 or Barbara Pink on 01962 760395 for more information as soon as possible.

URGENT WARNING - DOG NAPPERS:

1. Dog thieves are operating in the Marlborough, Bourne Valley, Salisbury Plain, Tidworth, Andover and Eastleigh area.

Two men and one woman are targeting dog walkers who have their dogs off the lead, by putting a lead on the dog and getting into a white van and driving off.

Please immediately inform Police if sighted.

2. Its really awful. Two cars drive up close to each other, the van driver distracts the owner of the dog, the BMW driver gets the dog into the car and they drive off in different directions. Its frightening. Please, please spread the word as these guys are very active at the moment.

Gill



VOLUNTEER AWARDS



Dianne would like to thank those who nominated her for a Fareham Volunteering Award. It was a big surprise, but very gratifying to be recognised.

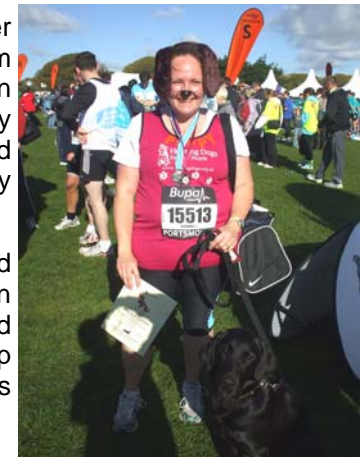
The award ceremony was held on 15 March in Fareham Council Chamber and proved to be a very interesting evening.

Volunteers from 35 different organisations received awards including three from Guide dogs for the Blind.

Volunteering is alive and well in Fareham!

For a family who have never excelled at sport, two members of the Hatfields are doing well, running to raise money for Hearing Dogs.

Last October Poppy Hatfield joined about 20 other runners supporting Hearing Dogs including Tom Green and Clare Eaton, staff from HQ, to run in the Great South Run in Portsmouth. She did really well, a personal best of less than 2 hours, and personally raised £437 for Hearing Dogs. Poppy would like thank everyone who sponsored her.



On 17 April Megan Cooke, who is Dianne and Lyndon's daughter, will attempt the London Marathon, the furthest distance she has attempted so far. At the time of writing she has sponsorship of £829, but needs to raise £2000, so there is some way to go yet.

If you would like to help her and support our favourite charity, you can donate online by going to www.justgiving.com/MeganVLM or please contact Dianne for sponsorship form details.

Many Thanks to those who have already contributed.

Dianne

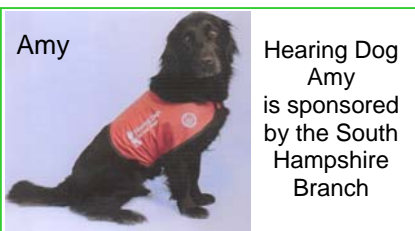
South Hants Branch Committee 2011

Bill Theobald - President
Barbara Pink - Chair
Steve Beal - Vice-Chair
Tim Seward - Treasurer

Christine Seward - Membership Secretary
Penny Shergold - Minute Secretary
Dianne Hatfield - Stockholder
Jeanette Collett - Immediate past Chair

Puppy

NAME	BREED	SOCIALISER	PROGRESS
ROCKY	Cavalier King Charles	Margaret & George Conrad	With recipient
RONNIE	Cockerpool	Barbara Lidbury	With recipient
SOLO	Labrador/Golden Retriever	Mary Jane McKeckie	Withdrawn
SADIE	Standard Poodle	Cathy Plumb	Withdrawn
WINNIE	Cockerpool	Sandra Lee	Withdrawn
BONZO	Cockerpool	Margaret & George Conrad	Withdrawn
PUDSEY	Labrador/Flat Coat Retriever	Mandy Wright	Withdrawn
SPICE	Labrador	Pauline Downton	Withdrawn
COOPER	Std Poodle/Flat Coat Retriever	Mary Jane McKeckie	Withdrawn
TRIO	Miniature Poodle	Margaret & George Conrad	Withdrawn
LARA	Labrador	Nicky Page	Withdrawn
SNOWY	Bolognese	Dianne & Lyndon Hatfield	Withdrawn
JIMMY	Labrador	Julie Ward	Withdrawn
YARROW	Spaniel	Janey Devine	Withdrawn
FLORA	Labrador	Collette Galloway	Breeding scheme
DAISY	Miniature Poodle	Ken & Maureen Manchip	Breeding scheme
MAGGIE	Labrador	Elaine Poland	Breeding scheme
YOGI	Cavalier King Charles	Barbara Pink	Training
GINA	Spaniel	Barbara Lidbury	Training
HAMISH	Cockerpool	Sara Yaxley	Training
ECCLES	Cockerpool	Penny Shergold	Training
HUGO	Cockerpool	Maggie Rumble	Training
ALFIE	Pug/Shih Tzu	Sandra Lee	Training
BERTIE	Spaniel	Anne Carpenter	Training
CADDY	Labrador	Collette Galloway	Training
BRUNO	Spinone/Curly Coat Retriever	Chris Voller	Training



Amy

Hearing Dog Amy is sponsored by the South Hampshire Branch

PASSED FINALS

Quartz Nicola Waters
Erin Janey Devine
Ollie Margaret & George Conrad



News

POPPY	Miniature Poodle	Maureen Heasman	Training
JAFFA	Cockerpool	Debbie Lammiman	Training
ELSA	Spaniel	Barbara Lidbury	Socialising
GINGKO	Working Cocker/Cockerpool	Cathy Plumb	Socialising
INCA	Labrador/Flat Coat Retriever	Irene Tagliavni	Socialising
KATIE	Cavalier King Charles	Sandra Lee	Socialising
PERCY	Cavalier King Charles	Sara Yaxley	Socialising
LUKE	Spaniel	Sheree McGregor	Socialising
MEGAN	Labrador	Dave Jordan	Socialising
OCEAN	Spaniel	Janessa Hartley	Socialising
DEWEY	Spaniel	Trisha Goddard	Socialising
KALLY	Labrador/Flat Coat Retriever	Douglas Smith	Socialising
ALFIE	Labrador	Catherine and Rob Potten	Socialising
POLO	Cockerpool	Margaret & George Conrad	Socialising
PICKLES	Cockerpool	Peter Dodd	Socialising
PEPE	Cockerpool	Sylvia Coles	Socialising
BRIAR	Miniature Poodle	Irene Blades	Socialising
SAFFRON	Labrador/Flat Coat Retriever	Pauline Downton	Socialising
TOBY	Labradoodle	Suzanne Bignell	Socialising
BEATRICE	Cocker/Springer	Nicky Page	Socialising
LIBBY	Cocker Spaniel	Janey Devine	Socialising
NEWTON	Cockerpool	Penny Shergold	Socialising
PIXIE	Cockerpool	Sharon Grubb	Socialising
IZZIE	Labrador/Flat Coat Retriever	Christine & Tim Seward	Socialising
WREN	Cockerpool	Maggie Rumble	Socialising

Well done Yogi!

From being such a poorly little mite who wouldn't say boo to a goose, Yogi has done really well and passed his final assessment exams, so we are all very proud of him. Makes it all worth while. I'm sure if he gets his placement with a recipient he will make them very happy – let's hope they don't live too near any water – as you can see, he really loves it!



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