

Hector's BACK PAGE STUFF



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Season's Greetings from Hector's winter quarters!

Hector says " Have a great Christmas and hope all of my cousins get what they deserve on Christmas morning - a big bone and later a large "T" bone steak would do nicely !!

Hope to see many of you in 2017"



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Hector's Home



NATIONAL BOUVIER CLUB

Hello again. Where on earth has this year gone? I hope the summer months were fun for you and your hairy kids and lots of new and exciting trails were blazed!

Sadly we have lost some of our oldies during the last few months which is so sad but we must be happy that we have given them a great life as they too have given us so much pleasure.

It's not all doom and gloom though as we welcome some new baby bouvs into our "family" and we hope to get to know you all at events up and down the country during the next 12 months.

The last event of the year was our famous "Drop In" Day in Windsor, Berkshire and this must have been the biggest and the best yet. Report and photos in the newsletter.

With this newsletter you will be receiving a communication from our Secretary, Brian Everill. This is the obligatory AGM notification as well as information about our Open Show.

Please do come along to this event as you will see loads of Bouvs and probably your dog's breeder and gain lots of advice on anything you are concerned about or just compare notes about your dog's antics and see if Mum and Dad do the same!!

Hopefully Ann-Marie will be organising another lovely walk in Bristol in early Spring. Fred, her husband has been in the wars so I am sure she has other things to organise at the moment but we'll keep you posted on our facebook page and our web page.



Fiona Lambert

ONLY £10 per family!! Don't forget your subs so we can keep this little fun club running and keep us all in touch. To make it really easy to part with your money here are a few ways to pay: BANK TRANSFER: Sort Code is 30-17-80 Account No-22130660. Reference your name please. PAYPAL: Go to website for instructions. STANDING ORDER: Speak to your bank CHEQUES to Marj Eastham,10 Anenome Dr., Helmshore, Rossendale, Lancs BB4 6NJ.

gregoryfoldbouviers@sky.com is Marj's email address



It was at one of the shows I was talking to Brian Everill and after a lengthy discussion we agreed to have joint interest in the Avice affix as we had more chance with more dogs to compete against the top kennels.

Brian and wife Susan had already acquired a bitch from the late Helen Irving named Lacey (Farleycross Phoenix) and took a bitch from me out of Lucy (Avice Damaris), whom they named Cagney who went on to win well. She was Best in Show and won 2 challenge certificates and numerous reserves. She was also Best Veteran one year at Crufts. She lived to ripe old age of 15 years and 8 months.

Brian and Susan then mated Lacey with a dog from Mike and Doreen Oliver called Trapwood Marius and the "Classy" litter was born.

I mated Classy Cleo to Parco Maybe vd Vanenblikhoeve at Iquitos and Brian and Susan kept Avice Ferrari Berlinetta (Freya).

Freya won well too winning 2 challenge certificates. Loads of reserves and Best of Breed at Crufts in 2010. We are all still showing although not as often as we would like, due to various reasons.

Both Brian and Susan and myself would like to thank Mike and Doreen Oliver for all their help, advice and support over many years, it will never be forgotten.

Best wishes to Mike as he has endured quite major surgery recently - love from us all xxx - Ed

From the Ed...

Geoff sent out to America a puppy bitch called Avice American Express. The American influence was due to the sire my UK Ch/Dutch Ch I'm Special Inessence Movado at Kanix, himself an import from the USA. Movada was the top winning dog in the Working Group for two years. This puppy won so well for co-owners the Griswalds and Movado's breeder, Pat Murray. When the time came to breed her and pups born Pat kept one herself and although many of the other pups have won well in their junior classes, Pat's Sequel (as she is known) has just taken over the American show scene by storm. Aged only 18 months.

Recently some of our members went off to the American Specialty in Pennsylvania and cheered ourselves hoarse when Sequel beat them all! Best in Show!



HUGE CONGRATS GEOFF !

My First **Bouvier des Flandres**

Following on from the stories in the last two editions we focus on some of our other Breeders' first discov-

erv of Bouviers. Geoff Evans and Brian & Susan Everill are profiled here AVICE

when on holiday in Greece on the we went home together. His name beach the dog befriended me when was Adam (Shepshadow Adam). I went to the bar the dog went with me then sat at my feet when the owner told me the name of the breed was a Bouvier I was totally smitten. When Larrived home Lwas determined to acquire one and started searching. There was a litter of puppies born and that is where I got my 1st Bouvier, a lovely black puppy bitch, Shepshadow Goody Two Shoes) who I named Lucy. .

She settled in fast with our Airedale Terrier show dog and then it was time for some training.. Off we went to the local ring craft club. The man in charge took me to one side, he told me I had a nice bitch and should consider showing her, the man was Harry Baxter, chairman of the Bouvier Club of GB.

I began showing her with some success gaining her stud book number. Which allowed her to compete at Crufts forever without qualifying each year which is is the norm.

Some time later I had a phone call from the breeder, she had a dog that had been mistreated and was on the verge of being put to sleep as he was very difficult to deal with.

I went to see him and immediately hit it off and although missing a tooth and some cracked teeth he It all started with me meeting a dog had the most fantastic head, so off



ADAM

I showed Adam and he won a challenge certificate, a really proud day for me as he had been through so much in his short life and he had beaten the UK's top winning Bouvier, Ch Kanix Zulu.



Geoff & Mike Oliver

LOOKING FOR A **GROOMER WHO KNOWS BOUVS?**



From Helen Dallow....

Michael who has one of Judy Cartwright's dogs wanted to come down here and for me to be grooming his dog-which is just far too far to travel• on a regular basis so I set about trying to find a groomer for him in his area which proved quite difficult . So many now only want to do small dogs and I also wanted some one that knows the breed.

I then asked on a grooming forum I am on for salons with experience and willing to groom Bouvs if they would like to go on our web site so here is the ones I have at the moment, unfortunately some details missing but am sure anyone from given area will easily look up details.

"I will try and get a few more in different areas and post them on website."



Debonair Dogs, Moreton, Wirral

Comfy Critters, Pewsey, Wiltshire

Trendy Pooches Little Sutton

Scruffs Dog Grooming, Benfleet, Essex

Scrub'a'dubs Aldershot 0125334213

The Dog House, Attleborough Norfolk 0782609945

4 Paws Grooming, Berwick upon Tweed

Doggy Style Grooming Salon, Bells Road.Gorleston Great Yarmouth

Doggie Delights, Romford 01708375152

Wagstar Grooming, Cheadle Heath, Stockport 01614 258668

Pretty Pawz Dog Groming, Rowley, Regis, West Midlands

Posh Dogz, Lincoln

Bears Pet Wash and Pantry, Weston Super Mare

Kingston Mairward College, Dorset

Prestonbury Dog Grooming, Macclesfield

Lorraine Kempton, Caterham, Surrey 01883743888

Animal Magic, Goldalming

The Grooming Room, Godstone, Surrey

Why should we check the eyes of older dogs?

It would be very surprising if we humans did not get our eyes checked regularly over our lifetime, so there is no reason why our dogs should be treated any differently, especially as many of the ageing changes are common to both dogs and humans and the eye can be a useful indicator of systemic disease. The Eye Scheme, run by BVA, the Kennel Club (KC) and the International Sheep Dog Society (ISDS), is a screening programme for identifying inherited and non-inherited ocular conditions in dogs. The majority of dogs presented for examination under the Eye Scheme are pedigree dogs with known inherited diseases of the eye, but it is important to emphasise that all dogs, including crossbreeds, can be examined under the scheme.

The Eye Scheme

The Eye Scheme includes examination and certification of older dogs (over 8 years of age). This is an excellent means of checking that:

• the dog remains free of the inherited eye diseases listed for the breed being examined

> Schedule A of the Eye Scheme (127 KB PDF)

- no late onset potentially inherited conditions are emerging in older animals
- agerelated ocular and generalised disease of potential or actual significance is absent

As an extra incentive, older dogs are examined and certified at a reduced fee of £32 including VAT. All the non-congenital conditions listed under Schedule A have a variable age of onset. For example, some forms of generalised progressive retinal atrophy and hereditary cataract may first be identified in older dogs that have already been used for breeding. In order to provide the longitudinal information that owners and breeders need it is particularly important to examine these dogs under the Eye Scheme, as this will help to establish lines that are genuinely free of inherited eye disease and enable breeding programmes to be better informed.

Ocular changes in older dogs

Normal ageing changes in dogs include senile nuclear sclerosis of the lens because the lens continues to grow throughout life and its central portion, the nucleus, becomes denser and greyish over time.

Welly Walk

In aid of Cancer Care

Carole Spalding - Regan and Misha, the Bouv walking for Charity - well done ladies



Misha and her friend Abby did the St John's Hospice organised walk and had a great time . Carole's friend Pam and her Dandie Dinmont, Abby and Misha the Bouvier thoroughly enjoyed their day. 4,600 people and many, many dogs took part - Misha was much admired.

The walk was over the unopened new motorway "Bay Gateway" (up north - Ed!)" In excess of £33,000 was raised", advises Carole..

Pam and I had to walk both ways in the end ! It took us 5 hours, this was because although they had buses to bring us back, Misha was too big and scared to get on the bus!!

It was a fun day of dressing up and the entertainment was top notch. We all got a water bottle to mark the occasion and Misha and Abby got a large cookie which she wouldn't take!







Well trained Misha - don't take food from strangers !! - Ed xxx

There was, as I said, lots of dogs taking part, but the only down side was there were no poo bins you had to carry it ...stinky!!.

DOG OWNERSHIP TEST !

er puppy, take this test to find out hairs and light clothes with dark if you can still cope with living and hairs

Best taken in the autumn or mid winter.

1. Buy a lead and tie it to a big stone, walk around dragging the stone behind you.

2. Get up at 5am, go out in the pouring rain and walk up and down a muddy path, repeating good girl/boy, wee wees...poo poos, quickly please

3. Stuff your pockets with plastic bags and pick up all the poo you can find, obviously not your dogs as you have not bought it yet 4. Start wearing your shoes indoors, especially during muddy times

5. Collect leaves off the ground and spread them on the floor 6. Carry sticks and branches indoors and chop them up on your carpet

7. Pour cold apple juice on the rug and floor and walk barefooted over it in the dark

8. Drop some chocolate pudding on your carpet in the morning and then try to clean it in the evening 9. Wear socks to which you have made holes using a blender. 10. Jump out of your favourite chair just before the movie ends and run to open back door

11. Cover all your best clothes with Before you consider buying anoth- dog hair, dark clothes with blond

looking after a bundle of mischief. 12. Tip all just ironed clothes on the floor

> 13. Make little pin holes in all your furniture, especially chair and table legs

14. When doing dishes, splash water all over the place and don't wipe it.

15. Spread toilet paper all over the house when you leave the house and tidy up when you get back home

16. Forget any impulse holidays and/or breaks

17. Always go home straight after work or school

18. Go walkies no matter what the weather, and inspect every dirty paper, chewing gum and dead fly you might find

19. Wake up at 3am. Place a correct size bag of flour on top of yourself and try to sleep, whilst wiping your face with a dishcloth, which you have left next your bed in a bowl last week.

Repeat everyday over 6 months and if you still think getting puppy sounds like a good idea, Congratulations, you might

be ready to get your puppy.

Although the grey appearance is of lesions of the ocular fundus concern to some owners, senile nu- caused by the common clear sclerosis has little apparent ef- roundworm Toxocara canis) fect on vision.

Some age-related retinal changes accompanied by deterioration of vision do occur, but such age-related retinal changes in dogs cannot be compared with age-related macular degeneration in humans. Dogs do not have a macula and their retina is dominated by rods (concerned with night vision), rather than the cones (colour vision and visual acuity) that populate the macular area in human eyes.

Local ocular changes in older dogs that are of actual, or potential, clinical significance include:

- Adnexal changes (for example, eyelid tumours)
- Cataract formation (many causes other than hereditary cataract, simple ageing being the most common)
- Glaucoma (a damaging rise in intraocular pressure) – see the Canine Health Schemes primary glaucoma and goniodysgenesis leaflet (28 KB PDF)
- Neoplasia (for example, melanomas in a variety of ocular sites)

Inflammatory changes (for example, active and inactive .

Generalised disease with ocular manifestations

Generalised problems in older dogs, which may present with ocular manifestations, include:

- Systemic hypertension (raised blood pressure), commonly as a consequence of kidney disease (usually chronic renal failure). but also associated with hyperadrenocorticism (Cushing's syndrome), diabetes mellitus and pheochromocytoma (a rare tumour of the adrenal gland)
- Haematological ab normalities (for example, anaemia, defective clotting)
- Various metabolic diseases, for example, hyperadrenocorticism, diabetes mellitus and hypothyroidism, all of which may be associated with ocular manifestations of (raised circulating fat levels) in addition to the hyper-



in addition to the hypertensive changes already mentioned for hyperadrenocorticism and diabetes mellitus

- Disseminated infection (for example, associated with bacteraemia and sepsis)
- Neoplasia (for example, multi centric lymphoma and other malignant metastatic tumours)

Clearly, quite apart from the benefits of obtaining a more accurate picture of breed-related and inherited disease in older dogs, it is very helpful to identify ocular and generalised problems that may require treatment, because early diagnosis is a crucial part of successful management.

To get your dog screened, find your nearest eye panellist or contact the Canine Health Schemes (CHS) team on 020 7908 6380 or email chs@bva.co.uk.



Throsle Farm Weekend

The delightful surroundings of the High Peaks is the setting for our next Bouvier weekend in July.



Our fellow members Lyndon & Pat., brother and sister in law to Geoff Evans open their farm to all our unruly Bouvs. This is a great socialising weekend - all low-key, just enjoying the beautiful walks and the company of fellow Bouv enthusiasts. Bar B Q's under the starry skies and walks with funfilled comradery with a bit of a competitive treasure hunt thrown in. The local hostelry where you can find a room for the night as well as camping on the farm, features highly !



All details on our web page in the New Year.

Directions for sleeping with Dogs! Thanks to the American Bouvier Rescue League

I will address myself mostly to the rules for sleeping with 2 dogs. For the few who have already mastered this technique, I will later add a cat, although I urge beginners to leave the cat out!

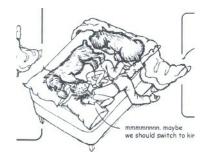
To achieve any sort of success, certain arbitrary conditions must be assumed, the first one being that you must have a KING-SIZED BED. There is no point in lying down in anything smaller. While the size of the breed is not important, the condition of the dogs may be. Very thin dogs, for example, arel lumpier. I have selected the two-dog minimum because, as we shall see, it is the only way to stay in bed at all.

The key word here is leverage. All the dogs spend the night pressed tightly against their bedfellows, but no two dogs ever sleep on the same side. This is, in part, an expression, "Let Sleeping Dogs Lie" principle. It is also to create a leverage. Because the human being is always in the middle, held tightly in place by the dogs and by his duvet (which the dogs are sleeping on top of), restless and recurring cramps are difficult to handle.

Here is the tip: When you first lie down, and before the dogs settle, spread your legs three inches apart. Stiffen and hold out no matter how great the pressure!

When the time comes to turn over, bring the legs together quickly under the now slightly slackened duvet and revolve before the dogs wake up!! As soon as you have assumed a new position, allow for those crucial 3 inches again; otherwise, you're a mummy for the rest of the night. Never spread the legs more than 3 inches. A dog's favourite place to sleep is in the hollow created by the legs too widely spread, and once settled, he and you are frozen into position until morning.

Dogs who prefer to sleep on their backs must be given space three times the height of the dog at the shoulder. Dogs who like pillows may be accommodated if you sleep on your side with the legs scissored so that each dog has an ankle for a chin rest.



When you are ready to add a cat, position is all important. All cats prefer to sleep in hollows but no cat will sleep on the same side as a dog!

You must therefore become a triangle. Do this by assuming a horizontal diver's crouch, thereby creating not only 3 or more-or-less exclusive sides but 2 hollows! With one dog at your front and the other against your back the cat can curl into the hollow at the back or your bent knees, separated from both dogs. The entire technique will require much practise and refinement! The Championship Rabbit run was organised by Malcolm Carter & Geoff. I think there is a definite re-match next year amongst the top speedsters! The sausage racing which became quite competitive was not won by our Steve Dallow - But he says "next year" as he is in training !!

Thanks must go to Helen Dallow , Ann Marie & Marj for the massive catering help. Thanks to my Dog Sitter's clients for the fabulous liver cake paw and bone which we auctioned and made £50 and so many more.

The Fun Dog Show had a bumper entry judged by Michael Craig star of "Crufts" and the laugh of the day was Andy Collins' attempt at Best 6 legs! A class he won! Best Rescue and Best in Show was the lovely Laz. Beautiful rosettes were awarded and proudly worn by owners and dogs alike!

Unfortunately the day had to end for most peops but the evening held an end of activities Bar BBQ and what a great fun time we had. Well me tripping over a dog and splatting a whole lemon meringue pie on the terrace was fun. A wonderful weekend with local and far flung dogs all coming together at Hector's Home !!





Tom & Fiona say...

Hope next Bank Holiday will see you all again. It was FABULOUS FUN !





WELCOME to the Club : Dante's new playmate Bran hopefully visiting in 2017







Adrian Long and one of his Bouvier des Flandres, Bozley won awards in the Exemplary Handler and Purebred Scissor category at the British Dog Groomers' Association awards. It is the biggest one day grooming event in the UK.

"I got a rosette for being an exemplary handler says Adrian. I don't know how I got that! He (Bozley) is big and he nearly took the stage down!

In the advanced category I won Purebred Scissors. To be in the Champion class you need to win Best in Show and as yet I haven't done that.

I didn't think I had done the dog as well as I could do - I can certainly improve. He is a big dog and you only get 2 ¹/₂ hours - the same time as a small dog."

Also back in August Adrian picked up 2 awards at the Premier Groom

Grooming Championships . He won the trophy for Best Scissoring Technique on both of his dogs. He also grooms an Old English. He also took Silver for Pure Breed Scissor Champion with Bozley, the star.

Adrian is from near Louth, Lincs where he runs a very successful grooming business. Ring Adrian on 07884 332146 if you would like your Bouv to look extra special!

Bozley is brother to our Hector, so winning trophies is obviously in the genes!!

WELL DONE ADRIAN !



Bouvier stuff for the dogs who have everything, including a few lumps and bumps.

Unless you own a horse. I don't expect you have visited a horse supply shop. They are well worth a visit as they sell lots of amazing lead ropes all colours and they've very strong clips to put onto a collar.. Ideal for country walks with a strong large dog.



Also the place to buy the wonderful Purple spray great for healing any small cut or small sore place, savion spray (iodine), lots of detangle spray and shampoo, and of course the wonderful Stinky Stuff for all big sores, hot spots and nasty hurt places (can also be bought on line), this is extremely good but as it says, it is stinky. !



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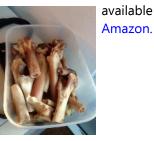
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would you believe you can order but have to collect the Biscrok milk bones in bulk from Home Bargains, These are Ollie's favourites

Last of all the Veni bones, these are dried, with no splinters and no smell and my small dogs love them and they last for ages.

Photo is of my Mops' bone collection. Ollie my Bouvier does not eat raw or any bones so only know other people's Bouviers like them. These



Thanks for the tips Margaret xx



£30 was the donation for the day. Thank you Carole so much. Geoff's stall also had a busy day and the raffle table was groaning with beautiful prizes.l.

We had decided that this year we would try to make lunch a bit special and were selling platters of delicious sandwiches (we sold 120 rounds!), beautiful gateau baked by members and 300 strawberries dunked in chocolate (Mari's job!) for Breed Rescue. Everything was donated and all money went to Andy's Breed Rescue and our Club in equal amounts. We were delighted how many people bought the lunches and enjoyed listening to the Dirty Beard's concert whilst under the cover of the numerous marguees we had erected for the day. Thank you so much Sammy and Phil for entertaining us. Thank you too Margo for your rendition of "Summer Time"





Directly after lunch we were so honoured to have Janet's Puppyskool with all their required equipment arriving in their horse box to give such a wonderful demonstration of training techniques followed by hands on training for all our dogs..



So many of us had a ball getting tuition from Janet's team - how lucky are we to have these top Bouvier trainers offering so much of their time for our dogs. Thank you so much Janet, John & Sarah.







DROP-IN DAY - August 28th

Well where do I start? What a fabulous turn-out in what was not forecast to be a great day, weather-wise. Thank you one and all for coming and topping up The Great Duck Hunt gun fired with a the Rescue coffers.

The "day" ended up being a long weekend for some, as committee and other helpers turned up from the Friday to help set up and help is indeed required with four marguees to erect, tables and chairs for 60 + and food to prep.

We estimate we had 70 folks and around 60 dogs enjoying the weekend - just a wonderful turn-out!!

To thank everyone for their help Tom and I hosted a Dinner Party under the orangeries on Saturday night. Think there were 20 of us!



Sunday dawned and rain (well drizzle) arrived too but didn't stay too long. From early the cars started rolling in

and Margaret Murray was our friendly face welcoming party letting everyone know the plans for the full day's activities. Thanks Margaret x

staggered start so there was no cheating! Unfortunately the lovely dry footpaths over the only non bridle path on the

route had been ploughed by the farmer only the day before so the initial trek over the field was a bit claggy! The Prize-winning was held after lunch and it was a close call as most found the little ducklings and named them. Unfortunately some mistook Rocky the Rooster as one of the ducks and a winner was found - well a tie actually. Patrick & Victoria Hanrahan with Walther and Martin Greaves and his wife jointly won the prestigious trophy and hopefully it has pride of place on one of their mantelpieces!

Helen Dallow hosted a great Grooming Workshop and coffee morning for the

1st couple of hours with Phil Eastham manning the "Dog Kitchen Cafe". Elaine Mount brought her two Bouvs and as usual volunteered for the afternoon stint.. Carole had made the long trek from the north to bring her beautifully embroidered articles for us to see and buy with a percentage for welfare and



Ann-Marie Wardle

If you have been following Frankie's battle of the bulge you will be pleased to read this update.

"Hi Fiona, Week 25 and Frankie has lost 25.3kg, weighing in at 37.1kg. She now has reached her ideal weight but has developed skin is-



sues which we are now trying to resolve. In old money,

she has lost roughly 3st 9.5lb xx"

Frankie came back to Ann-Marie (her breeder) due to her owners being taken into care homes. Grossly overweight Ann-Marie set about getting Frankie fit again. Well done girls x MIMI

Mimi is another girl who has fallen on good times! Mimi was in need of a new home due to the ill-health of her owner and Bouvier Rescue were contacted. When breeder Madeline Lloyd (TeamTed) was made aware of Mimi's predicament



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she sprang into action and the good news for Mimi is that she has found her forever home with Rod and Martin. They had lost Clara their beloved 13 year old rescue earlier in the year and they and Hugo had an huge hole in their lives.

This report from Rod Sutton-

"A real milestone week-end. Less than 5 weeks with us, we tested Mimi's holidaying abilities. 100 mile journey to the Gower (south Wales coast) for 2 nights in a hotel. She travelled well. No issue going in the lift. Quiet and settled in the restaurants, in the bar and our room. Well up for the 7 and 9 mile walks - didn't mind heavy rain and wind. Weather fantastic for the 9 mile through heath land, woodland, cliff path, sand dunes and beach - she loved exploring on the way and went charmingly crazy at the seagulls and the waves. Got Hugo scampering around too – looked spritely for a 13 vr old!"

Really great news for both these girls and well done to the two breeders, doing as all good breeders should do, look after their own .





Birthday Wishes

Happy 60th Marj and enjoy your retirement xx



Carole Spalding - Regan has been busy, busy stitching this Autumn for donations for the Rescue auction. Her Bouvier personalised stuff is wonderful. Do support her during the year for all your bouvier memorabilia (and other breeds) Thanks Carole for your ongoing generosity and support xx



To contact Carole email at dogsinstitches@hotmail.com or on Facebook search bouvier needlework & craft.

You won't be disappointed !! - Ed



Although I have included phone numbers in my articles about our club members' activities these members have not requested I do so - the contact details are solely there if you have any interest in contacting them.

LOST PROPERTY!

*I have numerous plastic cake boxes - Terri??

*I have a knitted hat which I wonder might fit Merita?

To retrieve your property you have to sign up to come to our #fun days next year !

Next newsletter we'll feature TeamTed under "My First Bouviers" so send in photos of your TeamTed dogs - here's Dennis!





Children in Need and our own Janet's Puppyskool

Janet of Janet's Puppy Skool in Haydon Wick, Wiltshire was interviewed with her prize pooch Mack at a charity extravaganza in Bristol. "I was delighted to be asked onto the televised show," said Janet. "I had a wonderful time and met so many people. It was lovely."

Throughout the year Janet has organised fundraising activities for Children in Need, the most recent being a dog show spectacular at her Puppy Skool in North Swindon.

Around 150 of the town's cutest canines descended on Haydon Wick Farmhouse to strut their stuff in front of a formidable judging panel while pop-up stalls selling various goodies and doggie-related trinkets kept the spectators busy between rounds.

Speaking on the programme on Friday she said: "We organised a dog show, an obstacle course and agility course - everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. She was interviewed by the BBC's Dan Chisholm.

> (01793) 727158 Swindon for more details of activities





"We went into the green room with the dogs and dancers and people playing drums," said Janet. "There were tables full of food, and as most were at nose height we had problems as it meant the dogs tried to help themselves! Overall it was a fantastic experience and a really fun night." This year Children in Need managed to pull in a record £46 million, on a night that saw moving tributes paid to the late Sir Terry Wogan. Well done -

Janet and Mack