



Ability Dogs 4 Young People



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Dear Katie,

I write to thank you and all the colleagues for choosing to support Ability Dogs 4 Young People IoW with your Jubilee Dog Show at the Old School Meadows, Gurnard. It was a lovely afternoon, we really enjoyed it. Thank you for your donation of £210.40 and please pass on my thanks to the ladies on the plant stall who gave us another £15. Our fundraising stand raised £246.18 which gives a fantastic total of £470.68. Your donation will help towards training, food and equipment for our Ability Dogs and puppies, and will help us to continue the Charity's work especially through these challenging times. Please pass on my thanks to everyone involved.

We recently celebrated the Charity's 10-year anniversary with a Celebration Weekend at our Training Centre. To help us raise awareness of the Charity's work, the training puppies put on three demonstrations each day showing how we train our Ability Dogs. This gave me a chance to explain the wider scope of our work, including the Own Trained Programme, School Therapy and Dog Phobia. Attendance was high and the feedback was good.

The weekend also provided an opportunity for our volunteer Puppy Parents to meet some of our recipients with their Ability Dogs. We were all particularly touched that Josh with his newly placed Ability Dog, Dylan, came along with his mother. Josh has autism and attends St George's school. Before he had his Ability Dog his anxiety levels meant that he was able to attend anything so busy.

I will send July's newsletter as soon as I have written it, as it will feature this event. In the meantime, I have attached January's newsletter which takes a look back at how it all started. We are currently promoting our Adopt a Puppy scheme to encourage regular donations. I have included a few leaflets which might be of interest.

Thank you again for your support.

With kind regards,

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