



Spirit of the Dog



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ALL ABOUT DOGS.

The stall was fairly busy and we did well considering the competition we had from other charity stalls. We took over £800.00p. Thanks to all who helped to run the stall. It was a lot of hard work but worth it. We learnt a lot from those two days and in the future we will produce a more professional looking stall. Thank you Margaret who has made us matching covers for our tables.

As you know from the latest Spirit email that there are more ways to donate now and if anyone wants to donate by standing order then please see Mal, Jane or Claudine who have the forms or you can download from the web site. We have also registered with HMRC to enable us to claim Gift Aid. This means that if anyone donates money and is a tax payer then by signing a Gift Aid Declaration we can claim back 28p in the pound for each £1.00 donated.

We have some professionally produced leaflets and posters explaining our charity and we hope to be able to display some of the posters at vets and other pet related sites. Hannah is planning on writing to some companies to seek sponsorship, when she has time. She is also writing to try to get us a high profile patron. Thank you Hannah.

A special thank you to Gerry Ockwell, who works for The Book Service and through him the company, has included the Spirit as one of their charities and they have donated new books and a cheque for £280.00p.

The web site home page has been changed and there are some nice items in the on-line store.

I am collecting car boot bounty again, so if any of you have any unwanted items then feel free to bring them along to class. Jane or Claudine will always hold onto it if I am not there. A big thank you to all of you that have supported us in this way. Your generosity always astounds me. Already this year we have raised over £400.00p from boot sales. If any of you would like to help at a car boot then please let me know. I always sell at Plough Corner Little Clacton (Parish Fields) until it finishes in September. Sometimes I am on my own but more often than not Jean helps me, she is a star and lovely to work with. Trevor and Jane help when they have the time, but more help is always very much appreciated.

Another special thank you to Jayne Sanders-Smith of Furnantics, who donated 8 boxes of new beautiful Mango wood items. They are mainly vases of various shapes and sizes. They are very modern and trendy and we hope to sell out at the Clacton Air Show.

Thank you to Roy and Sheila (Of Garden Party Fame) who are opening their garden for refreshments during the two days of the Clacton Air Show. The proceeds being donated to the charity.

PHOTO SHOOT. This was a very successful day with Alan and Jane together with their friend Ken worked so hard all day to produce some amazing photos of your dogs. We hope you are pleased and proud of your pictures. Thank you for attending and also to the team for working so hard. We raised over £200.00 for the charity. The committee will soon be choosing the photos for our 2009 calendar And we hope to have them ready for sale in August. They will make a lovely gift, so stand by to order your copies.

Thank you Central Essex Dog Training who has nominated The Spirit as their charity of the year and any money raised will help boost our funds for our rehabilitation centre. Jane, Mal, Trevor and Sarah-Jane have to give them a presentation on the aims and objectives of the charity on 8th October.

Mal Woolger 18/6/08.