

The K9 Chronicle

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K9 Project News – Oct 2011



Welcome to the first issue of the K9 Chronicle! Many of you are already aware of the great job the dogs and staff carry out all over the region, but if you are not aware, why not watch the News Report from ITV's Anglia Tonight, first aired in November 2010.

[You can watch the feature online by clicking here](#)



What We Do!

We provide education and training opportunities for young people utilizing the power of natural communication with dogs. We specialise in working with young people disengaged from formal education who need incentives to start to enjoy learning. Working with dogs provides many young people with the confidence and motivation that they otherwise may lack.

The Families and Dogs Project - making a difference for dogs!

The Families and Dogs Project is generously funded by the Kennel Club Charitable Trust. The aim of the



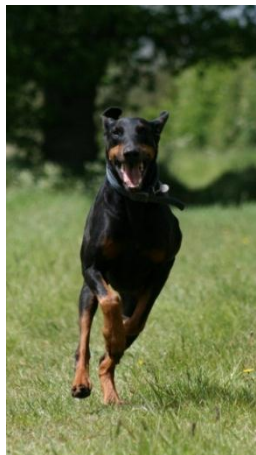
programme is to help families experiencing difficulty or disadvantage to get the help they need for their dogs in order to improve the welfare and well being of their

dogs. We provide education and support as well as practical assistance concerning dogs needs. We have successfully worked with 60+ dogs from Jack Russells to German Shepherds, Rottweilers, Springer Spaniels, Huskies and Border Terriers. We have had hugely positive results, maintaining dogs at home rather than being re-homed, stopped some dogs having pups through encouraging spaying/neutering, stopped one family being evicted due to their noisy dogs, and improved owners understanding of their dogs needs in most of the families we have worked with. We also rescued a bitch and 8 puppies most of whom would have died without our intervention, and took one sick dog for euthanasia rather than leave him to slowly die in his neglectful home. We link with the Wood Green Animal Shelters Outreach team to provide spay and neuter vouchers, along with subsidised flea and worming treatments. The K9 Project, Families and Dogs team have also assisted with delivering one of Wood Green Road Shows at High Barns which they said was one of the best attended 'first 'road shows they had ever done.

Into 2012 With Families and Dogs

We have been extremely fortunate to gain another years funding from The Kennel Club Charitable Trust for our Families and Dogs Project. this will enable us to continue to help dogs and their humans in the East Cambridgeshire Area.

The great news about getting a new round of funding is we can continue helping dogs and their humans who perhaps wouldn't get the help if the scheme didn't exist.



WALKIES!!

Join the K9 Oct Sponsored Walk

The Annual K9 Project sponsored Walk to Nowzad is taking place on Sunday 30th October at Aldreth near Haddenham Cambridgeshire at 10 am. we will walk 3/5/8 miles depending on what people want to do on the day (and possibly the weather) the walk will be on flat Fenland tracks . well behaved dogs

welcome - if sociable and with a good recall there will be opportunity for off lead walking too. It would be great to see some new faces to keep the young people motivated and then they can tell you all about what they do.

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IT'S YOU OR THE DOG!

The K9 Project recently piloted a very successful workshop for professionals who have to do home visits where there are dogs they find scary or intimidating. the workshop was designed and delivered by the K9 Project in conjunction with the London Dog Behaviour Company under the umbrella of the [Canine & Feline Behaviour Association](#).

Ross McCarthy & Associates

The London Dog Behaviour Company
Specialists in Canine Behaviour and Training



14 professionals from social care, youth offending and locality teams attended and the feedback was fantastic.

2011 NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY YOUTH SERVICES – Young Partners Awards Ceremony

As regional finalists the young people from the K9 Action Group attended the awards ceremony at Glaziers Hall, London, overlooking the river Thames. A wonderfully formal affair, in the prestigious surroundings of the chandelier lit Glaziers Hall, it was a chance for the young people to dress up, meet new people and promote their hard work along with the chance to feel very important!

We didn't win our category, but still felt very proud to have reached the final stage.

If you would like to get involved with the Project, or know a young person who might enjoy it, please do get in touch [here](#)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A K9 PROJECT PAL?

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOME SPECIAL SPONSORSHIP TO HELP DEVELOP NEW IDEAS AND PROJECTS. CAN YOU HELP? CONTACT US [HERE](#)

What we didn't expect was quite so many people who were pretty much dog phobic - rather than just being bit uncomfortable. We are now working on a delivery plan for this training to spread to a wider geographical area as well as to other agencies. If you are interested in attending or commissioning a course then let us know [HERE](#)



"you have cured me of my lifelong fear of dogs- in one morning!! I can't thank you enough!"

