



## Ludlow Dog Day Sunday July 23rd 2023

### Ludlow Rotary Club: Raising Funds for Local Charities

The publicity said that there would be “more to see in 2023” at this year’s Ludlow Dog Day and organisers, Ludlow Rotary Club, certainly weren’t exaggerating.

Attracted by the promise of some great entertainment on what was largely a sun-filled day, countless dogs along with their human owners and admirers made their way to the beautiful setting of Stokesay Court, just north of Ludlow, for last Sunday’s [23 July] event.

The day featured some 20 fun competitions such as the scruffiest mutt and waggiest tail to the fastest sausage eater. There were also *have-a-go* events including dog agility, flyball, hoopers, tricks and scent work, while gun dogs were able to demonstrate their ability to retrieve...or not!

Demonstrations throughout the day included past favourites such as the *Paws for Thought Display Team* and *Bliss Gate Dog Obedience Team* alongside new additions including *All Positive Dog Services with hoopers, loose lead and learn a trick* and *Little Nippers Lurcher and Terrier Racing*.

As well as the doggy events, there were plenty of stalls to enjoy whether selling dog and country related goods or pampering to human needs such as the food stalls, the drinks bar, and the popular tea tent.

Ultimately the day was about raising funds to help meet local need, and the Ludlow Rotary Club reckons it will have produced around £12,500 which the Club has earmarked for its own community grants scheme, Ludlow Rotary Cares, and for other deserving causes.

This year’s event will, in fact, bring the total amount which the Club has been able to donate to local charities and community organisations by holding this annual event in recent years to a staggering £145,000.

At the end of a busy day Club President, Hillary Delaney Hall, commented ‘We are enormously grateful to all those members of the public who came along and helped to make this event such a financial success in support of our chosen charities. Special thanks go to our generous host, Caroline Magnus, for allowing us to use the beautiful grounds of Stokesay Court. We are also grateful to our principal sponsors this year – the Sinclair Group, Nock Deighton, and Teme Veterinary Practice - without whose generous support we would have been unable to undertake an event of this size’.

## Notes for Editors

1. The attached photos, taken on the day, may be used with the text. Please note that:
  - a. No 1 is a view up to the house and needs to be attributed to Liz Tanner
  - b. No 2 shows the best in show
  - c. No 3 is a view of a judging
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