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Dear Dandie Friends

There is a lot to report in this letter. It is amazing how ideas thought of several years ago have come to fruition.

A bequest from a Dandie owner has enabled Dandies in Oz to purchase a display cabinet for the Canine Museum, so that Dandie memorabilia will have a place to live. It has a plaque commemorating the gift so please have a look in the Museum next time you are at the Park. The Cabinet currently houses memorabilia on loan to the Museum. There is only one other Canine Museum in the world (St Louis, Missouri) so we are privileged to have this space for our Breed. (See photo attached).

The second wonderful event is the development of a permanent memorial to all animals who served in war. Not all countries have records of this service but in Australia a devoted few are creating a permanent animal memorial on the grounds of the Australian Memorial currently being erected in Pozieres, France. The animal memorial's purpose is to help educate future generations about the sacrifice animals made alongside our diggers. The opportunity came to contribute to the funding and Dandies in Oz has donated \$50 to purchase a paver as recognition of such service. Further details can be found at www.pozieresremembered.com.au

Congratulations to Sylvia, Arthur and Emma on winning the Best in Show award at the Sporting Terrier Club Championship Show on June 12th. Edith won the event over 240 other dogs. What an exciting achievement!

On a sadder note our condolences go to those who have lost their Dandie in the last few months. This is a very hard experience to cope with – know that you are not alone. Sometimes there is a positive outcome and this is the case for Anita who lost Mr. Bilbo Baggins in December. Anita is now loving Wander and we will all be waiting with bated breath to see what magnificent outfit is on display at the Fun Day.

Dandies have this year participated in three promotional events – twice at the Scottish Breed Club Open Shows in conjunction with the Highland Gathering at Geelong and Dandenong and the Public Open day at Dogs NSW facility at Erskine Park. Five Dandies and their owners were rewarded in Sydney with third place in the Pageant of Breeds. A large sash and rosette, several dog treats and a \$50 cash prize were received, with thanks, from sponsoring bodies.

The Fun Day this year is scheduled for Sunday October 16th and the theme is **ANYTHING GOES**. There will be a slight Olympics theme to the games so be prepared. We have sourced a delightful Dandie key chain which will be on sale at the Fun Day. This is a unique design and not available through any other avenue. A photo is attached.

Finally, our Dandie Family, as you probably realize, is not exclusively made up of Dandies. Congratulations to Reuben, Stella and Ian on achieving Reuben's title. If you, or any member of your

family have an achievement that you would like to share please let Rhonda know so that it can be included in our next Newsletter.

Enjoy the photos!

Heather, Rhonda and Jan

