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## **Annual dog show on 4 September at Peterborough Garden Park**

Pets Corner at Peterborough Garden Park will be hosting its first dog show on Saturday 4 September in support of national charity Canine Partners. Staff at the store are urging dog-lovers from across Peterborough to bring their four-legged friends along and take part in the variety of pooch friendly activities on offer.

The show starts at 11am with the first Pedigree Dog class for any breed of puppy between 12 weeks and 12 months. Pedigree classes thereafter include any breed open, any breed toy or terrier and any breed large dog. The novelty classes comprise best crossbred/mongrel, best crossbred/mongrel puppy between 6 and 12 months, dog and handlers first show, best condition, two simple trick or commands, dog with the waggiest tail, dog that the judge would most like to take home and best 6 legs. Entry to each class is free, although a recommended donation of £2 per class is suggested with all proceeds going to the Canine Partnership. The Canine Partners provide specially trained assistance dogs to help people with disabilities to enjoy greater independence and a better quality of life.

Local dog trainer Karen Wild from A Pawprint, who has worked with celebrities including Davina McCall and Paddy McGuinness, and Hayley Burroughs of PAW 2 PAW, who starred in Elizabeth (1998) Elizabeth the Golden Age (2007), The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy and is Warwick Davis' sister-in-law will judge each class with first, second and third prizes available in each class.

Pets Corner store assistant manager, Stacey Chan said: "We are really looking forward to our first dog show and hope that as many people as possible will be able to come along, take part and enjoy the day's activities. We have organised the event so that there is something for the whole family including a

bouncy castle, an inflatable slide (weather permitting), a Gladiator game and a bungee run. There will also be face painting, a bbq at Andronicas World of Coffee, a coconut shy and a Cotswolds climbing wall.

For more information on Peterborough Garden Park, log onto [www.peterboroughgardenpark.co.uk](http://www.peterboroughgardenpark.co.uk).

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#### **Notes to Editors**

**NB: Please note that there has been a number of updates to this release since it was issued on Monday 16 August. The most notable being that Warwick Davies is unfortunately no longer able to attend.**

Peterborough Garden Park is an impressive new development located just off the Eye roundabout in Peterborough. It combines the UK's premier garden centre with an exciting mix of lifestyle retailers, offering a superior retail and leisure experience all year round. Set against a backdrop of generous landscaping, Peterborough Garden Park has something for everyone, providing a day out for the whole family.

The Park combines the attributes of a traditional garden centre in Van Hage's dramatic 'Crystal Palace' premises with a mix of lifestyle retailers, including Andronicas World of Coffee, Cotswold Outdoor, Cotton Traders, Hobbycraft, Le Creuset, Maidenhead Aquatics, Past Times, PBC Books and Pets Corner.

Despite problems of road access during the first weekend, and works being undertaken to improve the Eye roundabout, traffic is flowing well and access is easy.

#### **Media contacts**

Peterborough Garden Park manager Eric Kirk is happy to do interviews.

Media are welcome to come and take pictures on the day.

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