

## **K9 fancy dress competition urges HRH to enter**

Dressed to the K9s has written to Her Majesty The Queen urging her to enter one (if not all) of her dogs into a dog fancy dress competition.

Dressed to the K9s is an annual competition raising awareness for the dog rescue organisation Every Chance Rescue (ECR). Each year dog lovers up and down the country dress their dogs in comedic attire and send photos off in the hope they will not only win the coveted prizes, but also be crowned best Dressed to the K9s that year! Also, each year a celebrity sits on the final judging panel. This year it will be 'Comedy' Dave Vitty & Dominic Byrne from Chris Moyles Radio 1 breakfast show.



This year, Walk the Dog™ has written to HRH inviting her to enter her own pooches. Hanne Grice, founder of Walk the Dog™ and creator of Dressed to the K9s said in her letter to the Queen: “Your Royal Highness, we thought in the busy run up to the royal wedding you might welcome a light hearted distraction and so am sending you the details of a fun pooch related competition. In the hope of offering some inspiration, I am also including a photo of your very own dressed to the K9s HRH mini schnauser.

Walk the Dog™ also had to point out in its letter that being Her Majesty The Queen would not mean an automatic win or special treatment.

Last years winner was a Bichon Frise from Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire, who entered as 'Barbara Cartland.

To view the complete royal wedding photo album (doggy style) go to:  
<http://www.wtdbritcollection.com/royal-wedding-photo-gallery/>

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**Note to editors:**

- Competition closes on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April and the winners will be announced on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May. To enter, entrants submit their photograph via the easy to complete entry form on the competition website at [www.dressedtothek9s.com](http://www.dressedtothek9s.com) . Entries can also be sent via post.

- \* Dressed to the K9s is an annual competition to raise awareness and much needed funds for Every Chance Rescue.
- Every Chance Rescue (ECR) was formed in October 2008, to bridge the gap that traditional rescue organisations cannot fill. A not-for-profit organisation that provides kennelling, fostering, veterinary care, dog training and support to help these dogs find their forever home. Visit: [www.everychancerescue.co.uk](http://www.everychancerescue.co.uk)
- Walk the Dog™ is an award winning pet care and behaviour company in Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire that offers a range of services from canine behavioural advice and training to dog walking. Visit [www.walk-the-dog.net](http://www.walk-the-dog.net)
- Previous judges include 2009; Barbara Broccoli OBE, Producer of the James Bond films and 2010; renowned artist Christiane Kubrick.
- Other supporters include:  
Rickaby & Co, Virtual Law, Barking Mad (Tring & Hemel), U Print, Taps 4 U, Edge NLP, Nvest, Kath Griffin, Furnivall Finecrafts, Pod 3AV, Car Magic and Yellow Yo Yo

- Prize info:

#### First prize

- The Barrowcliff Winners Trophy
- GPS tracking collar package from Retrieva worth £400
- A year's supply of food from Oscar Pet Foods worth £576
- Pet Photographic Shoot and Portrait by Ian Waldron Photography worth over £250
- The Berkeley Gallery are donating an original Olivia Brown, ceramic dog worth £180
- Luxury hamper of dog and pampering owner products courtesy of Walk the Dog worth £100
- Original drawing by artist and illustrator Ellen Tozer worth £80
- The latest book "Playing With Your Dog" from dog expert Hanne Grice.

#### Runner up prize

- Luxury hamper of dog and pampering owner products courtesy of Walk the Dog worth £100
- Original drawing by artist and illustrator Ellen Tozer worth £80
- The latest book "Playing With Your Dog" from dog expert Hanne Grice.

#### Top Ten finalists

- An edible goodie from Reg & Ruby Pet Accessories
- The latest book "Playing With Your Dog" from dog expert Hanne Grice.