

Official Guide 2023



Welcome to **pride** in Belper

Pride in Belper exists to normalise the visibility of LGBTQ+ people, encourage inclusion, and celebrate the diversity of identity for everyone within our community.

We do this through the four pillars on which Pride in Belper was first developed: Sustainability, Accessibility, Inclusivity and Diversity. We hope that you will see these pillars reflected in the events of the day and throughout other events that we support throughout the year.

At Pride in Belper we believe that real inclusion should reflect an unedited society, and so we welcome EVERYONE to Pride, but we ask you to challenge and change beliefs and actions which exclude, diminish, and discriminate against others.

We are grateful to all the local people and organisations who have sponsored us this year, either with their time or money. The whole event is organised to continue the development of an inclusive culture within the town, no one involved in the organising or delivery of it is paid, and any profit that is made is ploughed back into planning and delivering the next LGBTQ+ event in Belper.

Pride events are important because they provide a platform for LGBTQ+ people to be visible at the same level as straight people and to celebrate their identity openly. This visibility helps challenge stereotypes in communities and families, reduces stigma, and provides representation for LGBTQ+ people who may feel isolated or marginalised in their daily lives. Pride is also about creating a sense of unity and understanding among diverse communities. This unity is a powerful way to challenge discrimination and promote inclusivity.

Pride MUST remain a protest, as well as a celebration.

Since 2019, Pride in Belper has created greater social support for LGBTQ+ people, a stronger safer community for everyone, advocacy for all identities, and greater awareness of inclusion and exclusion within the community. We have achieved this TOGETHER, and we should be proud of where we have got to – but there is still so much more work to do to ensure everyone, especially our Trans friends feel safer, feel seen and are welcome within our community.

Pride in Belper promotes the idea that we have a responsibility to make life better for each other. Because of this, we ask you all to become an ALLY for LGBTQ+ people by continuing to make PRIDE a PROTEST for dignity, justice, and rights - as well as a CELEBRATION of diversity and inclusion. We ask you to do this today, and tomorrow until the world really is equal. Because until we are ALL equal, none of us are!

If we stand up for each other, we will be a much more inclusive and welcoming place that openly values and respects the richness of our difference and diversity, and it will be easier for us all to feel as though we are welcome and belong in Belper.

The Pride in Belper Team hope you have a WONDERFUL day!

There's a lot to love in our historic town centre – the quirky, one-of-a-kind independent shops and eateries are well worth exploring, and offer a great range of choices for a memorable day out. Work goes on to make this town's facilities more accessible and more sustainable as we strive for a more inclusive community which celebrates its diversity.

For evening entertainment, the town offers a relaxed atmosphere with restaurants, cocktail bars, micropubs, and an award-winning independent cinema. And beyond the shopping streets, the historic community is well worth exploring too.

Take your time, enjoy your day, and appreciate your surroundings. Belper welcomes you all.



The Pride Stalls and... MERCHANDISE!



Lost Child?

Go to the Pride Stalls for help

You'll find the official Pride in Belper stalls in
BELPER MARKET PLACE &
THE MEMORIAL GARDENS
for information, a chance to donate (and a
Find the Queen game in the Memorial Gardens)
as well as the 2023 MERCHANDISE!



be proud

There's no tat where it's at!

Merchandise on the Pride in Belper stalls is as
sustainable and kind to the planet as we could
source...



Special offer!

Pride Pack –
One 5ft x 3ft flag
OR One Pride in
Belper bag, plus
two other items
for £10

Paper flag - £1.50

Postcard - £1

Pronoun Badges - £1

Wristband for Pride in Belper 2023 - £1

5ft x 3ft Progress flag - £8

5ft x 3ft Rainbow flag - £8

Pride in Belper bag - £9



MAKING MUSIC FOR



ON THE
RAINBOW STAGE
IN THE
MEMORIAL
GARDENS

NOON	TONY'S TUNES
1PM	WILSON SHAW
1.45	SURA LAYNES
2.30	JOSH STEVENS
3.15	CHARLOTTE RANKIN
4PM	IGNITE UK
4.45	DARK HORSES
6PM	CLOSE



COMPERED BY
DIANA B-TEASE

MUSIC ON THE MARKET PLACE

1PM	ED HULSE
1.30	BELPER MUSICAL THEATRE
2PM	ED HULSE
2.30	BELPER BOOM & LGBT YOUTH GROUP
3PM	ED HULSE
3.30	POM FIT
4PM	ED HULSE



STRUTT STREET CAFES

1.30	TATUM PHOENIX	3PM	MEL AND BELINDA
2.15	VICI LOWRENCE	3.45	JOSH STEVENS



INTRODUCING MARSHA



Pride in Belper believes real inclusion must reflect an unedited society, and consequently we welcome **EVERYONE** to Pride, but we ask you to challenge and change beliefs and actions which exclude, diminish, and discriminate against others.

We have no right to edit other people out of society, communities, or families because of their identity. For us, Marsha the Mermaid is a symbol of the continued protest we all have a responsibility to make, until we live in a world where everyone can feel safe, however they identify.

Marsha the Mermaid has been made by Caroline Irwin of Creative Arts Belper, with support from Suz Hennesey, Toni Marie, Jenny Lesley, Neil Hunt, Victoria, and Amelie. Marsha has been made with purpose and love, as well as some of the recycled LGBTQ+ flags Pride in Belper have used previously along the High Street.

Caroline has also used recycled paper, chicken wire, PVA glue and paint that she has had left over from other projects.

Marsha P Johnson

The Mermaid is called Marsha after the LGBTQ+ Role Model, Marsha P. Johnson, a prominent LGBTQ+ rights activist in the 1960s and 1970s who lived in New York. Marsha was a Black transgender activist and a key figure in the gay liberation movement in New York. On June 28, 1969, the Stonewall Inn, was subject to another brutal and unprovoked police raid.

This was one raid too many for the LGBTQ+ community, and this time they fought back through spontaneous demonstrations and clashes with law enforcement.

These events, known as the Stonewall Riots, are widely regarded as a catalyst for the modern LGBTQ+ rights movements that we still have today.

While there were many people involved in the LGBTQ+ uprising at the Stonewall Inn, Marsha P. Johnson is often remembered as one of the prominent figures involved.

She continued to be a vocal advocate for LGBTQ+ rights throughout her life, co-founding the activist group Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries (STAR) and being an active participant in various demonstrations and protests.

Marsha P. Johnson's dedication to the LGBTQ+ community and her tireless activism have made her a symbol of resilience, an advocate for change and a trailblazer for transgender rights.

This year at Pride in Belper we have made our wrist bands reflect the colours of the transgender flag in solidarity with the transgender people.

Rights for LGBTQ+ people around the world have come along way since 1969, but for transgender people they have stalled and more recently have begun to go backwards. This is not okay.

CHILDREN'S ZONE

12.30PM TO 4.30PM IN THE MEMORIAL GARDENS

All day



Derbyshire Toy Library – drop in

FREE

Children's Champion Challenges – drop in

£1 to enter

Be Yourself BSL (British Sign Language) – drop in

FREE

Small charge for facepainting



12:30pm to 2pm

Snail tales and facepainting with Troy Jenkinson

1pm to 4pm

Craft: Make a pride flower – drop in with Liz Cooper

£3.50

2pm to 3pm

LGBT Qs: A Pride Quiz with Fliss Goldsmith

FREE

2pm to 4pm

Craft – Make a pride tote bag – drop in – with Dot-Teas Tearoom

FREE

2:30pm to 3:30pm

Meet Marshall from Paw Patrol – drop in – with Alicia's Magical Moments

FREE

3:15pm to 3:45pm

Story Telling – Little Red Riding Dude by Olly Pike, with Diana B-Tease

FREE

3pm to 4:30pm

Craft – Street Art Session – drop in – with Alice Harman

FREE



PLUS

From 10am to 3pm in
Belper Library:
Rainbow Football
Boot Laces, a drop-in
Craft Session for
families with children
aged 5 years and up



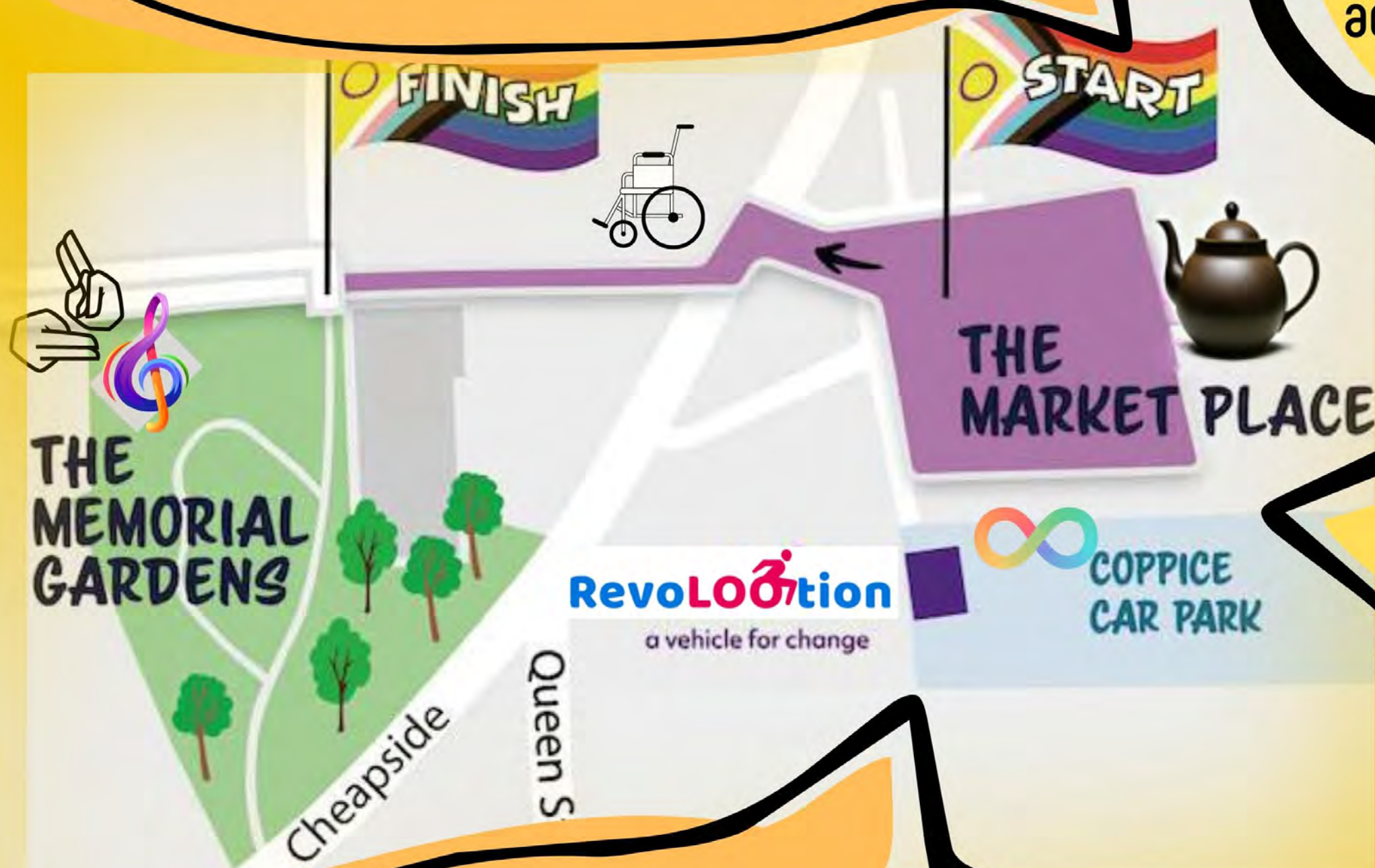
ACCESSIBILITY AT PRIDE IN BELPER

ACCESSIBLE PARADE ROUTE

We know not everyone will be able to comfortably walk the whole parade, but our shorter parade route means everyone can still be a part of it

BSL SIGNING

The start of the parade and entertainment between music acts in the Memorial Gardens will be signed



QUIET SPACE

A tent with soft furnishings will be set up as a safe and quieter place for people

ACCESSIBLE TOILET FACILITIES

RevoLOtion

A vehicle for change.

Accessible toilet with hoist and changing facilities



THE PARADE



Gather at **The Market Place** from **11am**. There will be a **Cafe** in **No 28** and music outside

FIELD LANE
CAR PARK

GREEN LANE
CAR PARK



TRAIN
STATION



Number 28
The Let's
Get Back
Together
Cafe

THE
MARKET PLACE

King Street

King Street

THE
MEMORIAL
GARDENS

1
COPPICE
CAR PARK

RevoLOution
www.RevoLOution.org.uk



BUS
STATION

Tylers -
bar &
barbecue
all day



Campbell Street

Strutt Street

Queen Street

CO-OP
CAR PARK

New Road

WC

- 1 Quiet Area
- 2 The Ritz Cinema
- 3 Rainbow Stage
- 4 Cafe/music hub
- 5 Accessible toilet
- 6 Belper Library

- Starting at **The Market Place**
- Head down **King Street** past The Ritz
- Turn left onto **Strutt Street** to the end of the street
- Turn right onto **New Road** over the railway bridge
- Turn right onto **Campbell Street** past The 1924
- At the end of the street turn right back up **King Street**
- The Parade will end near **The Memorial Gardens**

Accessible Route

If you feel you cannot complete the entire Strutt, our Accessibility Route starts on The Market Place and you can finish by heading off into The Memorial Gardens.

Why Pride should still be a protest – a brief history

1988: Section 28 of the Local Government Act is passed, preventing Local Authorities from intentionally promoting homosexuality or teaching acceptability of homosexuality as a pretended family relationship.
1989: Stonewall is founded by (among others) Ian McKellan, Michael Cashman, Lisa Power and Pam St Clement to campaign for the repeal Section 28, end the ban on LGBT people in the armed forces, equalise the age of consent, extend adoption and IVF rights to same-sex couples, and introduce civil partnerships.

1970s

1970: The Gay Liberation Front (GLF) is formed in the UK in the wake of the New York Stonewall riots the year before.
1972: The first UK Pride March is held in London, with 2000 people taking to the streets to protest. Peter Tatchell, one of the organisers said: 'Our aim was to show that we were proud, not ashamed. 'Determined to come out of the shadows and stand up for our rights, we wanted to make ourselves visible and demand LGBT liberation'.
1979: Julia Grant shares her transition journey in the BBC documentary 'A change of sex'.

1980s

2003: Section 28 is repealed.
2004: The Civil Partnership Act passes into law. After decades of campaigning, this is the first time same sex relationships are acknowledged in law.
2004: The Gender Recognition Act is passed into law. Trans people win the right to legal recognition of their gender and to change their birth certificate.
2008: The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act is passed. LGBT couples are now recognised in law as the legal parents of children born of assisted fertility.
2013: The Marriage (Same Sex Couples Act) is passed into law. The first same sex marriage took place on March 29th 2014.
2017: 'Turing's Law' is passed, and men who were convicted for consensual relationships were pardoned.

1990s

1990: The activist group Outrage! is formed to mobilise the LGBT community to peacefully protest against police targeting gay men and failure to properly investigate the violent murder of Michael Boothe.
Between 1990 and 1994, the number of men convicted for consensual gay behaviours fell by 66%.
1992: The World Health Organisation declassifies homosexuality as a mental illness.

2000s

We are
PROUD



Why Pride should still be a protest

A group of black silhouettes of people of various ages and genders are shown against a blue background. Some are holding up black flags, and one person on the left is holding a large white sign with the year '2023' in red.

The UK government pledged to ban conversion therapy in 2018. According to their own data, 7% of LGBT people were offered or have undergone conversion therapy.

We are
STILL
waiting for
the ban

In 2018 we were promised a reform of the Gender Recognition Act. The Women and Equalities committee made a series of recommendations in 2021. The government is yet to act.

We are
STILL
waiting for
reform

Hate crimes reported to the police in 2022 rose by almost a third. There was a 41% increase in crime against LGB people and a staggering 56% increase in transphobic hate crimes.

*Source Galop. 2021/22 30,507 respondents

We are
STILL
waiting to
be safe

A colorful illustration at the bottom of the poster shows a diverse crowd of people. In the foreground, a woman with long purple hair and a yellow shirt is cheering with her fist raised, and a man in a grey shirt is also cheering. The background is filled with many other people, some holding up small flags and signs.

WHY ARE WE STILL PROTESTING?

Because protest causes change, and change is still needed until everyone is free from inequality, discrimination and harm

Because there are 11 countries on our planet where being LGBT is punishable by death

Because 64% of LGBTQ people experienced anti-LGBT violence or abuse

*Galop Hate crime report 2021

Because 42% of LGBTQ children in the UK reported being bullied at school

*just like us – growing up gay 2021

Because seven in ten trans people report being impacted by transphobia when accessing general health services

*Transactual trans life survey 2021

Because 90% of trans people reported experiencing delays when seeking transition-related healthcare.

*Transactual trans life survey 2021

HUMAN RIGHTS ARE FOR EVERYONE!



POST-PRIDE ENTERTAINMENT

IT DOESN'T STOP AT 6 O'CLOCK!

NOURISH AT NO.44 - 8PM PARTY WITH DJ,
GLITTER STATION, BBQ (FROM 7)

THE GREYHOUND INN - 8PM DIANA B-TEASE
LIVE 18+ EVENT

THE RAILWAY HOTEL - FROM 3PM RIP IT UP
ROCK AND ROLL

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - EVENT TBC

AND PRE-PRIDE, ON FRIDAY 4TH AUGUST

RUMOURS RETRO BAR

7PM STUDIO 54 DISCO NIGHT



DON'T FORGET TO TRY
OUT PRIDE AND SHINE -
A SPECIAL BREW FOR
PRIDE IN BELPER 2023
FROM SHINY BREWERY



Check out the shop windows in Belper Town
Centre to see why people from the town and
beyond still believe 'Pride must be a Protest'

Members of the LGBT+ community and their
allies have written statements to show why
we need to continue the fight for equality

Pride still has to be a
protest because every
single day is a fight for
equality, a fight for
freedom and a fight for
the right to exist as a
Queer individual! Still
to this day, I'm not
comfortable walking down
the street holding my
boyfriend's hand just in
case we get verbal or
even physical abuse from
some homophobe who isn't
happy that me and my
boyfriend are in love!

M. Gay man. Belper

Why PRIDE must be a PROTEST

PRONOUNS

Gender specific and gender neutral pronouns are the ways we refer to each other in the third person. Using them is a sign of respect and ensures we are getting someone's gender right, just like it is a sign of respect to spell and pronounce someone's name correctly.

Non Binary or Trans Women and Trans Men who are transitioning may well choose to change their pronouns.

SHE
HER
HERS
HE
HIM
HIS
THEY
THEM
THEIRS

*You cannot
tell someone's
name or pronoun
by just looking
at them.*

The impact of using the wrong pronoun can be severe for people. They can question themselves, withdraw, lack confidence, give up or even become suicidal.

If somebody takes the time to let you know their name and their pronoun, please use it, and respect it. It really isn't up to you to decide someone else's identity.

If you are having difficulty using someone's pronouns keep practicing it, and you will find the more you use those pronouns for that person the easier it will come to you.

If you find yourself unsure of someone's pronoun, listen to how others refer to the person. If you are still unclear or concerned that others may be using the incorrect pronoun, privately and politely ask that person what pronouns they would prefer you to use.

Could you be an ally?

Allies are an important part of everyone's life; they offer support, and understanding, they challenge negativity and discrimination, sometimes they are visible, sometimes they are not, sometimes they can be lifesavers!

Who are Allies?

Allies are the ordinary people who shine a light on discrimination and unfairness to increase conversations and visibility of the issues that underrepresented people face.

What do Allies do?

Allies create support for underrepresented groups who are less seen and heard in communities and society. They normalise conversations, challenge language that does not value difference, and they talk about the things that matter, with the people who need to know!

Allies are usually people who hold positions of privilege.

Privilege

Allies use their privilege to benefit other people; they stand up for others, they ask difficult questions, they challenge bias and hate, and make change happen. Privilege makes it easier for allies to actively support and celebrate the differences people have.

The privilege Allies have isn't about wealth and fast cars, it's about their skin colour being white, their sexuality being straight, their gender being cis (the gender you were assigned at birth) and being non-disabled.

They may have experienced poverty, bullying or lack of opportunities in life, but never because of the colour of their skin, their sexuality, their gender identity, or the impact of a disability.

Being an ally doesn't mean you have all the answers, but it does mean you are someone who recognises and demonstrates every day that the contribution of the group or community for which you are an ally is valued and respected.

How to challenge discrimination as an Ally:

First and foremost, BE KIND! It is important to use a questioning approach when challenging language or behaviour which is offensive, discriminating, or non-inclusive.

Secondly, you must BE FIERCE! Stick to your message, ask the questions that challenge what someone else has said or done and don't back down easily.

Finally, BE FAIR! Not all discrimination comes from a place of hate or fear, sometimes it is learnt behaviour or unconscious, so it just must be unlearned.

A: act and advocate

L: listen

L: learn

I: Include

E: engage

S: support





THANK YOU



to all our funders, sponsors and supporters
We really couldn't put this event on without you



Back
for
2023!

Judge:
Bridget
Singh



In THE MEMORIAL
GARDENS at 2pm
on SUNDAY
6th AUGUST

Only £2 entry fee per class



Categories for 2023:

- | | |
|--|---|
|  Best Puppy |  Dog most like its owner |
|  Best Veteran |  Best Pride Collar/Lead/ Harness |
|  Most Handsome Dog |  Best Trick |
|  Prettiest Bitch |  Best in Show |

All prizes sponsored by Clip, Snip and Strip Dog Grooming