

The first meeting of the dog walking group was a great success. The weather was kind to us and the sun shone. After a quick drink at the Pet Place cafe (dogs allowed) owners and dogs set off for a leisurely stroll along the footpaths through Windy Bank Woods

There were six dogs to start with, but Jake, who is quite old, found it a bit much and retired from the walk early on. The rest of the dogs had fun running around the woods and fields behind Bents. Some particularly liked to jump in and out of the water, all except Cooper the cavalier who is careful of his coat and paws!

The dogs got on well and it was nice to see them off lead running and playing together.

It was a day for little and young dogs. With Cooper there was Ronni, my Australian terrier, Millie, a Cavachon, and Tessa a miniature Schnauzer.

In addition, Alfie, the ten year old Springer Spaniel, showed the others that an older dog could be as energetic (and as wet) as any of the youngsters.

The next walk is planned for Tuesday morning the 27<sup>th</sup> November at Sankey Valley. More details to follow.

Also I have found a great new walk in Culcheth around the Silver Lane Ponds (Rixton) a chance to let the dogs off the lead and with some interesting bird watching potential...

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