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*Cover Photo : Destiny and her puppies – the 2nd litter of
Black & tan to be born in NSW for over 20 years*

The aims of the club are:

- To promote the Griffon Bruxellois and Petit Brabancon breed.
- To highlight the versatility of the breed as a loving and loyal pet, and a show and performance dog
- To promote good sportsmanship and good fellowship among members at all times
- To show respect and courtesy to all members in an atmosphere free of bullying and intimidation
- To support responsible and ethical breeding practices of Griffons
- To support and recommend testing of health issues relevant to Griffons based on genuine scientific research, both local and international.
- To provide a rescue service for Griffons
- To promote friendship and social activities among all Griffon owners
- To educate Griffon owners about grooming, training and responsible ownership
- To work in partnership with other responsible Griffon Bruxellois Clubs of Australia and internationally for the betterment of the breed

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Presidents Report

Our club continues to go from strength to strength and it was pleasing to welcome more new members after our last meeting. This takes our membership up to around 70 which shows very strong growth for the club over the last 12 months.

Our AGM will be held in July and membership renewals are due by the end of June. If you joined after January 2011 you do not need to rejoin but if you joined in 2010 you will have to renew your membership. Cost is still \$5.00 per person. We have kept costs down to encourage members.

We have a fabulous new raffle – many thanks to Ros and Dave Finch. I know that you will all agree that it is well worth winning and it will help towards our fund raising

We look forward to our next Fun day on 11th June and hope to see some of our new members there joining in the fun.



From the Editor

In this edition we have continued with the History of the breed and also have some news from overseas. I treated myself to a trip to Crufts this year and have some photos and news from there. It really does deserve its title of the greatest show in the world.

We have information about the next Fun Day and our bigger and better point score competition for the next 12 months .

There is also more on the continuing history of the breed and a summary of the Easter shows.

Thank you to all the people who have contributed to the newsletter. Keep the information coming.



Ch Nagpuni Brooklyn Babe – owned & bred by T O Dell



Griffon Corner

Sadly in March, **Samantha Burr** of Liamford Griffons(UK) lost her battle with cancer and died just a week before Crufts. She was well known for her high quality black Griffons and bred a number of English Champions. She had entered Crufts and her partner showed one of her dogs to win veteran dog. After the judging the Griffon exhibitors gathered around her bench as a mark of respect.

Liamford Black for Good to Marquant



Her mother Alison Price of the famous Marquant Griffon kennels, very bravely attended Crufts, even though the funeral was to be held 2 days later. Her dog, Ch Marquant My Romeo won the Dog Challenge

In more overseas news, the **U K Northern Griffon Bruxellois Club** will be holding its Diamond Anniversary Championship show Saturday 19 September 2011. The judge will be Andrew Brace.



Andy Georgiou's very spoilt Griffons, **Igby and Uboo** have now upgraded their transport from the bicycle that they travelled in during summer. They now have a very snazzy motor scooter with a customized seat in front of the rider. From the look on there faces they seem quite comfortable. All they need now are goggles and helmets to complete the outfit.

Terri O Dell's daughter, Kelli continues her success from last year at the races. Just before Easter she won the Golden Slipper Fashion on the Field and had her picture featured in the Sunday Telegraph also. Congratulations.

Terri and Grant who own **Pets on the Park** were pleased to be nominated for the MDBA awards again this year for "Best Dog Retail Outlet of the Year". This is a prestigious nomination in some tough competition and they can be very proud of their nomination for the second year in a row.

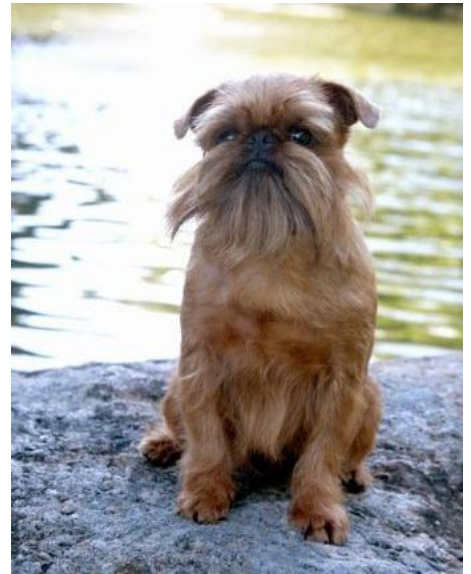
Congratulations to **Shane Thomas and Kingsleigh- Grand Ch Toi Toi North n Kiwi** who took his 10th All Breed Best in Show on 29th May under Mrs S Mashford (VIC)!!

Kingsleigh

There have been some interesting litters of Griffons, born lately both in Australia and New Zealand.

In NSW **Kerri Taylor** has bred the 2nd litter of black and tan Griffons in the state for over 20 years. Sired by her B&T dog Booth, Destiny produced 5 puppies, 3 B&Ts and 2 reds. (see cover photo)

Booth also sired one red pup to Kerri's other girl Tequila



Ros and Dave Finch's bitch, has also had a single red puppy by Booth so he has been a busy boy

Maizie inspecting her new born baby

Over in New Zealand in the South Island **Jocelyn Walker's** girl Brickie has produced a litter of 4 red

smooths to NZ ChMowacre Smooth Operator. They were very even with 2 boys and 2 girls. She has named them the outrageous fortune litter because they are so naughty.

The 2 girls Pascale & Loretta



On the North Island in New Zealand, **SandieFeaver** has also



been busy with a litter of 2 rough reds, Arthur and Martha, from Isobel and sired by Hunter. Hunter, (NZ & AustCh Paris Night Fever) is well known to people in NSW as he was over here in 2010 for a visit and charmed everyone with his sweet and dignified gentlemanly personality.

Arthur

Valerie Brideau sent this link in to the Brussels Griffon Group and it makes fascinating viewing. It is film of a dog show from

1930. I love the ladies sitting in a row with their Griffons on their laps as well as the fashion of the time.

<http://www.britishpathe.com/record.php?id=14432>

Top Dog Massage Therapy



Top Dog Massage Therapy is located in Newcastle and owned by Jocelyn Barker.

Canine Massage Therapy (Myofunctional Therapy) is provided from Killingworth, Newcastle and Castle Hill Showground, Sydney, by Jocelyn and her colleague Tim Norris.

Benefits of Canine Massage Therapy -

Dr Peter Higgins, Dogs N.S.W. Veterinary Advisor, advocates that regular massage therapy can do your dog the world of good. Working dogs, Agility dogs and Show dogs need regular massages to keep them performing at their peak. Performance dogs can be likened to Professional Sports Players, or Athletes, who use massage to prevent injury and help keep muscles flexible and supple, with a deep massage.

Appointments with Jocelyn in Newcastle are available Monday - Friday.

Appointments with Jocelyn and Tim are available from Castle Hill Showground the first Monday and Tuesday of each month. Next dates are Mon 30th May, and Tuesday 7th June.

We attend some Shows and Agility Trials in Newcastle and Sydney, to provide warm up and cool down massage, - please contact us for details on which events we will attend.

For all bookings and enquiries please contact Jocelyn Barker

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Canine Connection Therapy

Energy Therapy, Kinesiology Meditation

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The Griffon Fancier's Association -Minutes of the Previous meeting

Held Wollongong & DistCh Show 26/2/11

Meeting Opened 12:30 pm

Present: Ros Finch, Dave Finch, Kerri Taylor, Claire Parker, Michelle Parker Brien.

Apologies: Donna Murphy

Minutes of the previous meeting were read out, moved Kerri Taylor, seconded Ros Finch, passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: current balance of \$ 882.86. Moved by Ros Finch, Seconded by Claire Parker, passed unanimously

Business Arising:

A second **Fun Day** in May is to be organized following on from the success of the first one. This will include and walk around Fagens Park for Griffons and their owners and a Grooming Demonstration. Ros Finch to organise. Moved Ros Finch, seconded Kerri Taylor, passed unanimously.

Constitution. Dave Finch moved that we accept the amended constitution. This was seconded by Kerri Taylor and passed unanimously.

The dates for **Point score 2011/2012** were presented to the meeting by M Parker Brien. Moved they be accepted Kerri Taylor, seconded Ros Finch. Passed unanimously.

The AGM will be held in July 2011 during he Saturday North of the Harbour Show. Moved Ros Finch, seconded Dave Finch, passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

Out: Letter of Congratulations to Tom Couchman,

Letter of thanks to Bradley's Bowl

In: Qld Griffon Club Newsletter

Correspondence was moved by Dave Finch, seconded by Kerri Taylor and passed unanimously.

New Members: Kerry, Emily and Bob Bell, K McKinnon, D Eckford, J Tremenheere, V Brideau.



These members were approved and welcomed by the meeting

Meeting closed 1:30pm



Second Fun Get Together

Fagens Park Galston (Carrs Rd entry)

Saturday 11th June

10.30 am

We will walk through this beautiful park with our dogs followed by a BYO picnic lunch.

After lunch, a grooming demonstration will be given to assist you in maintaining your Griffons coat.

Our last fun day was a great success and this is your opportunity to meet with other club members and share Griffon chat. It also gives your Griffons a chance to meet and play with other Griffons.

Please be there at 10.30 to assemble for our walk and we will commence our walk at 11.00am.

Don't forget to bring a picnic lunch.

If you have a pen, bring it and we will join them to make a large play area for all the Griffons as we did last time.

If by chance you arrive late you can call David on 0418418447.

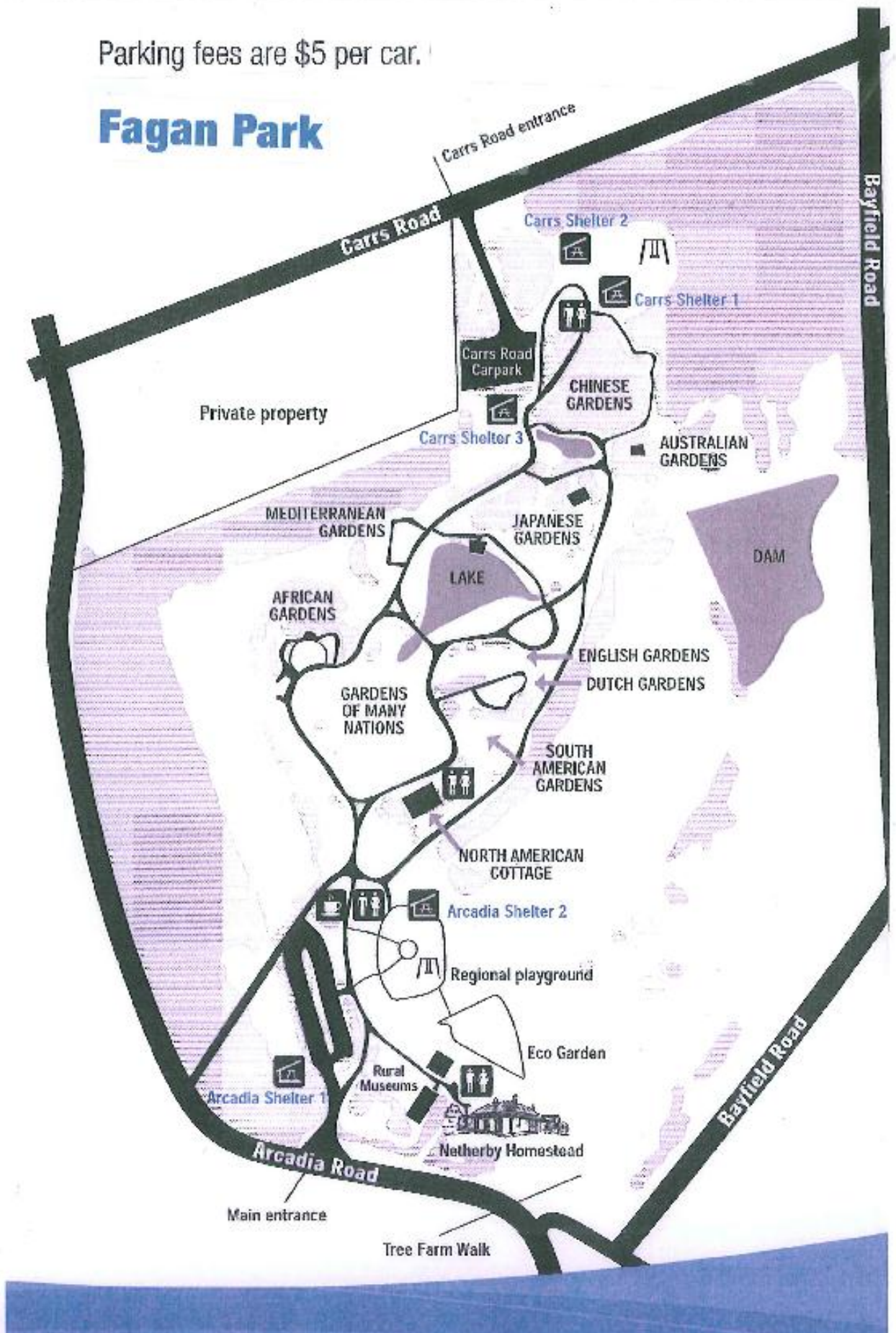
You can also call Ros if you have any questions and to let her know you are coming

See the map on the next page for the location of Fagens Park

We look forward to seeing you and your Griffons there

Parking fees are \$5 per car.

Fagan Park





Agenda for the Meeting of The Griffon Fanciers Association

Date: 11th June 2011

Location: Fagens Park

Time: Lunch break during Fun Day

Meeting Open

Apologies

Minutes of the Previous meeting

Business Arising

New members

- Preparations for the AGM
- Plans for the Future of the Club
- Membership Renewals
- Fund Raising - Raffle
- General Business



Raffle

We have a fabulous new raffle to raise money for our club. Generously donated by Ros and Dave Finch it is a framed collection of antique cigarette cards from around the world, featuring Griffons.

The cigarette cards are collectables by themselves and include an extremely rare 1932 Australia Sweetacres card.

As you can see from the photo Dave and Ros have had these cards beautifully framed so that they are all displayed together and the total value of the prize is over \$300.



Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00

Tickets will be available for sale at our Fun Day and we will also be sending a small book of tickets to all members.

Tickets and money are to be sent to the Treasurer Kerri Taylor at 29 Beverly Av Warilla

Please support the club with this raffle



MyTrip to Crufts

After procrastinating for many years I finally decided to go to Crufts this year. It was a last minute decision, inspired by Diana Norman and Tim Mills who told me they were going. I organised it all the week before and flew out just 6 days after I decided I would go.

Crufts calls itself the greatest dog show in the world and it certainly deserves its title. It is still the largest dog show and this year it had just under 22,000 entries. It takes place at the National Exhibition Centre at Birmingham which is an amazing venue in itself, complete with its own airport, train station and monorail to connect the airport to the Exhibition centre. There are a number of hotels within the exhibition centre and Crufts was only a 10 minute walk from my hotel.

Crufts itself used 5 of the 20 halls at the Exhibition Centre and those 5 halls, along with the entry piazza and main area, took up a staggering 25 acres. No wonder I kept getting lost over the 4 days of the show. The huge number of trade stalls – a shoppers paradise- and the crowds meant that it often took quite some time to move from one place to the next.

There were 3016 Toys entered in the Toy Group and 95 Griffons for judge Mr Steven Bardwell.

Best of Breed was awarded to Howard Ogden's Black and Tan bitch **Beauview Fly the Flag**. She made history as she was the first black and tan bitch to ever win BOB at Crufts

I was able to meet up with Diana Norman, Tim Mills and Caroline Elder while I was there.

Howard Ogden, who has done a lot of very clever breeding to produce some lovely black & tans, was kind enough to invite us to see his dogs after Crufts.



Diana even got to hold the winner with the Crufts BOB ribbon.

There were some lovely Griffons there and the Griffon exhibitors were very friendly and welcoming. It was lovely to meet many of the people who had previously been only names.



Membership renewals are due if you joined before 2011. Please send renewal to the Treasurer by 30th June 2011

I fell in love with a smooth black and tan boy also bred by Howard Ogden and owned by Barbara Murray, well known for her smooth Operastar Griffons.

His name was **Beauview Brave as a Blizzard** and he was awarded reserve Dog Challenge

The full results were:

Best of Breed and Bitch Challenge: Beauview Fly the Flag

Dog Challenge: Ch Marquant My Romeo

Res Dog Challenge: Beauview Brave as a Blizzard

Res Bitch Challenge :Gaystock Just So



Dog Challenge and Reserve Dog Challenge

Scenes from Crufts



*Joan Goldin with
Donzeata Royal Secret
for Fleetgold*



The Easter Shows

Easter was a busy time for Griffons with a number of shows taking place in various states and in New Zealand.

It began with the **35th Anniversary Show for the Griffon Bruxellois Club of Victoria**. They are to be congratulated on the excellent weekend that they organised.

On Saturday they conducted a Health Seminar for Small Breed Dogs and despite the faulty burglar alarm at the KCC that deafened everyone and forced a change of venue, the rest of the day went smoothly. They had a variety of speakers who spoke about the latest information on CM/SM, Eye testing, and Breeding . About 60 people from a number of different breeds attended and it was lovely to meet Griffon people from around Australia including Hilary Swain who had travelled from WA and Heather Beckett from Tasmania. Heather had some particularly relevant comments to make regarding CM/SM as she suffers from the condition herself.

The next day was the Championship show judged by Neil Swan (UK) owner/breeder of the top winning rough Griffon Ch Dorelove Jimmy Mac who won a record total of 57 CCs all under different judges. There were 96 Griffons entered, a record entry I believe and the largest entry seen in Australia. The day concluded with a spit roast supper and Mr Swan made some comments on the dogs that he had judged. He said that like all club shows there was a mixture of good and average dogs. He said that the good ones moved well and moved out with good drive and reach and the top dogs were handled and presented well. He specifically mentioned the professional grooming and handling of his winners and said that some otherwise good dogs were let down by grooming. Best in Show – Ch Statuesque Pumpkin Pickle Reserve in Show Ch Statuesque Pumpkin Pie. (See full results over page)

His full critique can be seen on the Griffon Bruxellois Club of Victoria website at www.griffonclubvic.com

DVDs of both the show and of the Health Seminar can be purchased from the Victorian club.

The next show on the calendar was the **Sydney Royal Easter Show** with an entry of 3883 dogs. The judge for the Griffons was Mr H Kamisato (Japan) . There was an entry of 21 Griffons but due to absentees only 11 faced the judge. BOB & Bitch Challenge -Ch Statuesque Pumpkin Pie . Dog Challenge was Ch Statuesque Pumpernickel

Over in **New Zealand the Griffon Specialty** was held the following weekend under judge Steven Bardwell (UK)

Best in Show went to Ch Upmarket Jamie Luck .

Reserve in Show Ch Hot Toddy of Taff

Best in Show and Reserve in Show at New Zealand Griffon Show



The Griffon Bruxellois Club of Victoria

35th Anniversary Show Results

Best in Show :Ch Statuesque PumpkinpickleF & L Pieterse

S: NZ Ch / Aust Ch Raweke Hansel D:Ch Statuesque Pumpkin Pie

Runner up in Show :Ch Statuesque Pumpkin Pie - F & L Pieterse

S: NZ CH/ Aust Ch Ned D'Vyne of Paris at Upmarket D: Ch Statuesque Muscadelle

Res Challenge Dog Ch Statuesque Pumper nickel - Gemcourt Knls

S: NZ Ch / Aust Ch Raweke Hansel D:Ch Statuesque Pumpkin Pie

Res Challenge Bitch: Ch Upmarket Philomena- Gemcourt Knls

S: NZ CH/ AustCh Ned D'Vyne of Paris at Upmarket D: NZ Ch Upmarket Lillibet Luck

Baby in Show : Azande I Know Nutting- B Canavan	Best Owner Bred / Handled : Ch Tzani Hetty Wainthrop – D. Norman / T. Mills
Minor in Show: Tzani Jack Winter – Mitchell / Norman /Mills	Best Team: Rosndae Griffons – R & D Finch
Puppy in Show: Statuesque William Wombat – F&L Pieterse	Best Coated Rough: Campioncani Massimo – C Jones
Junior in Show: Ch Tzani Hetty Wainthrop – D. Norman / T. Mills	Best Coated Smooth: Troubadour Zurgs Heir – S Stewart
Intermediate in Show : Ch Nouveau Discriminator – Alwood Knls	Best Rough Head: Campioncani Isabella – V & H Van Der Helm
State Bred in Show: Azande Rumpole of the Bailey – B Canavan	Best Smooth Head: Tzani Briar Rose – S Stewart
Aust Bred in Show: Ch Rosndae Tom Thumb – R & D Finch / B Canavan	Best Adult Gait: Ch Rosndae Charlies Angel – R & D Finch
Open in Show : As for BIS	Best Puppy Gait: Tzani Jack Winter – Mitchell / Norman /Mills
Best Neuter Bitch: Ch/IntCh/BlgCh/NdIch Ole Guapa VD Platte Belskes – D Norman / T Mills	



Notice of Annual General Meeting

When : Saturday July 16th 2011

When : North of the Harbour Championship Show Erskine Park

Time: At the completion of the Toy Group (not before 12.30)

Agenda

- Open meeting
- President's Report
- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's report
- Other Reports (Rescue Officer, Social Secretary)
- All positions stand down

Election of positions

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Patrons
- Committee (5)

President resumes Chair

- Other business



Point Score Shows 2011 - 2012

2011

1. **North of the Harbour Saturday 16th July 2011 Erskine Park (May Journal)**
2. Dogs NSW Spring Fair Saturday 27th August Erskine Park
3. Lake Macquarie All Breeds Kennel Club (Spring International weekend) Saturday 24th September Hillsborough Show Grounds
4. Southern Highlands Kennel & Obedience Club Saturday 15th October Berrima
5. Northern All Breeds Kennel Club Saturday 5th November Hillsborough Show Grounds
6. Wyong Shire Canine Club Saturday 17th December Morisset Show Grounds

2012

7. CNCC Saturday 14th January Hillsborough Show Grounds
8. Armidale All Breeds Kennel Club 4th February Armidale
9. ACT Canberra Royal Saturday 25th February Canberra
10. Flat Face Toy Dog Club Saturday ? April (Date TBA) Sydney
11. Albion Park Kennel Club Saturday 29th May (Venue TBA)
12. Newcastle & Merewether Canine Club Saturday 3rd June Hillsborough Show Grounds



Donna's Griffons had fun over the Easter break

History of the Breed (Part Two)

1880 – World War II

By 1880 the breed had become so popular in Belgium that a committee formed to draw up a breed standard based on the top dogs at the time.

In 1883 the first ever Griffon Bruxellois breed classes were scheduled at a show. One of the first show dogs was a bitch called Miss owned by M. Notermans. He bred her to produce the first ever champion Griffon Bruxellois **Ch Fox** who was also sometimes called **Fox van Vleurgaat**. Fox was mated to a Yorkshire Terrier and produced a dog called **Petit Fox**

Another famous dog bred at about the same time was **Petit Waterloo**. He was then mated to a Pug bitch and produced Tom. This bloodline proved to be very influential and is behind many of the Griffons today.

In 1894 Queen Marie Henriette of the Belgians became attracted to the Griffons Bruxellois and started to breed them to improve their quality. This led to an upsurge in popularity of the breed, particularly among the fashionable people of the day. Both the Queen and the Duke of Flanders had extensive Griffon kennels.

Last photo taken of Queen Marie Henriette with her Griffons in 1902

Later Queen Astrid also continued this interest in the breed and the numbers of Griffons bred in Belgium reached some of the highest ever seen and around the time of World War One there about 5000 Griffon bitches in Belgium. It was about this time that more Pug crosses were introduced along with the ruby King Charles Spaniel.

The Pug created the smooth Griffon. At first these pups were discarded but when their qualities were recognised it was decided to recognise them as a separate variety known as Petit Brabancon.

Such growth also attracted interest from people in other countries and in the 1890's Griffons began to be exported to England and some to America.

The earliest Griffons to England went in about 1880 but the first registered/authenticated Griffons appeared in the 1896 Studbook. Two were **Fox** and **Bijou** bred by the Duke of Flanders and the other two were **Monsieur Kiki** and **Princess Helene**.

Mrs Kingscote imported **Fox**, **Bijou** and **Princess Helene** and Mr Butt imported **Monsieur Kiki**.

The first Champion Griffon in England was when **Bruno**, bred in 1895 in Belgium by M. Telemans and owned by Miss Wimbush gained his title. He was followed by **Mousequetaire Rouge** and his litter sister **Margurite Rouge**, born in 1899 and owned by Mrs Moseley.





In 1898 The Griffon Bruxellois Club of Great Britain was formed and is still in existence today. This club was responsible for much of the progress that the breed made in England . Prior to 1898 all Griffons had been registered in the English Kennel in the "Foreign Dog "Section. After 1899 they were registered as Griffon Bruxellois.

Sparklets – a Griffon bred in 1901

In this period between 1889 until World War One there was a growth on popularity in the breed and a number of highly influential people began breeding. As in Belgium they became popular with the elite and titled classes .

The leading breeders of this pre WWI period were :

- Lady Handley Spicer with her **Copthorne** prefix. She first bred under this prefix in 1901 and she dominated the breed for the next 20 years.
- Mrs Whaley with her **Glenartney** kennel
- Miss A J Johnstone with her **Sunnymede** Kennel
- Mrs Hall with her **Park Place** prefix

These four ladies dominated Griffons in the first decade of the 1900's , importing dozens of Griffons from Belgium, with Lady Handley Spicer doing more for the breed than any other.

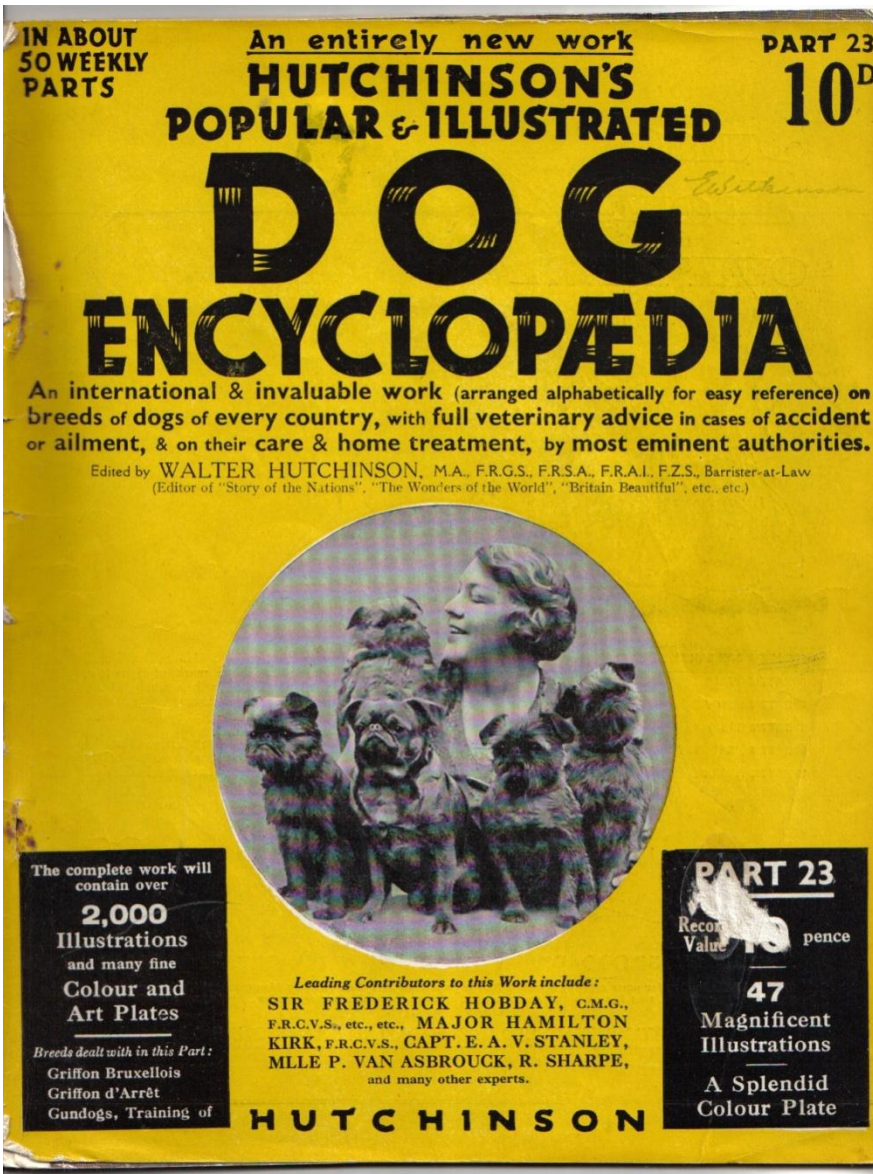
Two of Lady Handley Spicer's Griffons



In the period around 1910 five more famous kennels came into existence and made an impact on the breed. They were:

- The Misses Plunkett with their **Castlehaven** kennel
- Mrs Sainsbury with her **Causeway** kennel
- Mrs Charters with her **St Margaret** kennel. Mr Charters bred some outstanding Griffons until the 1920s when she began to breed Sealyham Terriers instead.
- Mrs Parker Rhodes and Mrs Pepper with the **Partridge Hill** Kennel
- The Hon Mrs Ionides with the **Vulcan** kennel

The last two kennels continued to successfully breed after World War One and The Hon Mrs Ionides kept a kennel of 30 Griffons in her house in Twickenham and had her puppies play in the ballroom.



Cover of Hutchinson's Dog Encyclopedia (1934) showing Mrs Parker Rhodes with her Griffons

The outbreak of World War One had a devastating impact on dog breeding.

In Belgium the breeders were hit very badly and numbers dramatically declined with many of the breeders ceasing breeding, never to resume it again.

In England although many breeders were badly affected and ceased breeding many of the leading kennels were able to continue to breed their dogs for much of the war.

As can be seen on the table on the following page breeders in England were able to maintain numbers until the last two years of the war when shortages increased and it was harder to feed dogs and maintain kennels.

When peace was finally declared the breed was stronger in England than it was in its own country and quite a number of Griffons were exported from England back to Belgium to help rebuild the breed.

Number of Griffon Bred and Registered in England 1898 – 1919

Year	Number of Griffons Registered	Year	Number of Griffons Registered
1898	3	1909	80
1899	12	1910	74
1900	45	1911	116
1901	45	1912	159
1902	31	1913	162
1903	29	1914 Years	123
1904	55	1915 of	130
1905	51	1916 World	101
1906	88	1917 War	30
1907	63	1918 One	3
1908	73		

In the next issue we will look at the period between the two world wars

References

The Griffon Bruxellois Handbook - Mollie Grocott (now out of print)

The Griffon Bruxellois by Doone Raynham Pub. Kingdom Books

Griffon Bruxellois by Marjorie Cousins pub Foyle Handbooks (now out of print)



How to Train your Griffon to Heel and Gait for Show or Obedience

Heeling

Obedience heeling needs the dog to look up at you while you walk so that they are focusing on you. The correct heeling position for the dog is on your left side with the dog's shoulder parallel with your leg, as close to you as possible. With a Griffon this will be a little wider than a big dog



Left to their own devices, Griffons tend to heel wide and also slightly behind your foot rather than next to you.

They heel wide because they want to see your face and have to go out wide to see it over your shoulder due to their small size.

One of the appealing characteristics of the breed is the fact that without any training they will naturally follow immediately behind your heels. In fact I often feel like the Pied Piper when I walk around with a group of Griffons following me as I go about normal household activities.

Baby puppy learning to move on the lead – looking up at handler

To stop them heeling wide you need to give them a focus lower than you face so that they can look at it instead. I use the food treat as the focus and I carry it at waist level when training. I then encourage the Griffon to look at the food by giving it a small treat every time it looks up at the food. At the same time I give verbal praise. If you are consistent then after a while the Griffon will look at your hands as soon as you say *Heel* and you will be able to slowly reduce the food rewards to every 2nd time, every 3rd time etc that the dog looks up.

Dog moving confidently looking up at handler – lead firm but not tight

If you carry the food treat in front of you rather than at your side you will be able to get the dog to move forward and heel in the correct position in order to see the treat.



Always use verbal encouragement throughout this training and keep the lead loose so that the dog walks comfortably with you.

When you have the dog heeling with you happily you then introduce right turns, left turns and left and right about turns.

In obedience trials in Australia you also need to do fast and slow pace as well as sit, drop and stand positions in all three paces but you do not introduce these variations until the dog is happily and confidently heeling with you at a normal pace.

Gaiting

Gaiting for the show ring is a variation on heeling and nothing looks better than a happy, jaunty Griffon on a loose lead, strutting around the show ring with its tail up and its head held proudly and confidently.



I do not believe that Griffons should be 'strung up' on a tight lead to keep their heads up when gaiting and with correct training it should not be necessary. If a Griffon is shown on a tight lead it tends to shorten its stride and make it move with a stiff, restricted terrier like movement which is incorrect for the breed.

There are a number of different types of show leads that can be used and they are all equally good – it is a matter of your preference and the dog's preference.

Whatever style of lead you choose it should be as light as possible so as not to distract from the dog. Ideally it should also be of a colour that blends in with the dog's coat so that it does not appear to cut the dog's neck.

Dog gaiting smoothly alongside handler in show ring- lead firm but not tight . Handler & dog working together in unison

Initial gaiting training is the same as the lead training for heeling however when gaiting while you want the dog next to you, you do not want it as close as you do when heeling. You also do not necessarily want the dog to look at you the whole time as you do in obedience as this can make the dog look like it is moving with its shoulders out.

When gaiting you want the dog to move smoothly next to you, looking ahead so that it makes a pleasing profile to the judge.

You still need to have a treat in your hand but hold the hand out slightly in front of you so that the dog looks forward as it moves to see the food. Talk to the dog and give it verbal praise as you move. Move at a smart brisk pace but not so fast that the dog breaks gait and starts to gallop. Never drag your dog but keep the lead loose and comfortable around the neck but not so loose that you have a loop that the dog can trip over.

Your Griffon should move happily with its tail held well up and the head high, in a brisk trot.

Things to Remember:

- Have lots of short training sessions.
- Always make it fun – your dog should be enjoying itself. A Griffon holds its tail up on the move when it is happy.
- Always have a treat and use plenty of praise when the dog does the right thing



Dog gaiting on a loose lead – holding head up naturally and tail is up.

Point Score Show Report

Wollongong and District Kennel Club

26th February 2011

We had a lovely day for the show at Wollongong which is held in a stunning location, across the road from a beach which meant that ocean breezes kept the day from getting too hot.

An entry of 9 Griffons greeted the judge Mr D Strachan from NSW.

Best of Breed and Runner up Best of Breed went to the girls with Ros and Dave Finch's girl Ch Rosndae Charlies Angel winning BOB and Michelle Parker Brien's Ch Raweke Patti Mae CCD winning runner up and then going on to win Australian Bred in Group .

The results were:

BOB & Bitch Challenge _ Ch Rosndae Charlies Angel – R & D Finch

Ch Rosndae Charlies Angel



Runner up BOB & Res Bitch Challenge and Aust Bred in Group- Ch Raweke Patti Mae CCD – M Parker Brien

Ch Raweke Patti Mae CCD

Dog Challenge –Ch Rosndae Ginger Snap – K Taylor



Ch Rosndae Ginger Snap

Res Dog Challenge – Ch Balliol Barnacle Bill – M Parker Brien

Junior Dog 1st – Ch Keheal Million Dollar Man – A Taylor

Aust Bred Dog -1stCh Balliol Barnacle Bill – M. Parker Brien

2ndCh Rosndae Charlie Brown – R & D Finch

Open Dog – 1stCh Rosndae Ginger Snap – K Taylor

Baby Puppy Bitch - 1st Balliol Gertie Giggles – M Parker Brien

Intermediate Bitch – 1stCh Rosndae Charlies Angel – R & D Finch

2ndCh Balliol Dolly Dimple – M Parker Brien

Aust Bred Bitch – 1stCh Raweke Patti Mae M Parker Brien

Open Bitch – 1stCh RawekeBunty Bear – M Parker Brien

Gunnedah & District Kennel Club

2nd April 2011

A total of 6 Griffons were entered for this show but a car accident the day before damaged the transport for 5 of them so in the end only one Griffon attended. However Layla was a worthy winner as her record shows.

Best of Breed and Bitch Challenge – Ch Shigriff Slap n Tickle – C Elder & M Gurney



Ch Shigriff Slap n Tickle

With only one point score show to go – at Castle on 18th June the competition is very close which is a tribute to all exhibitors.



Point Score Points

Name of Dog	Show 1	Show 2	Show 3	Show 4	Show 5	Show 6	Show 7	Total Score
Ch Rosndae Charlies Angel	5		10	10	10			35
Ch Balliol Barnacle Bill	10	10	3	5	5			33
Ch Balliol Dolly Dimple	8	8	8	2	2			28
Ch Raweke Buntly Bear	3	5	3	5	3			19
Ch Rosndae Charlie Brown	3		6	8	2			19
Ch Kehael Million Dollar Man	5		3	3	3			14
Ch Nagpuni Brooklyn Babe	3	3	3	3				12
Ch Shigriff Slap n Tickle						10		10
NZ Ch/Ch Paris Night Fever	3	5						8
Ch Rosndae Ginger Snap	2		5					7
Balliol Esmerelda EasterEgg	3			3				6
Balliol Fezzywig Fever	3							3
Sibermoon Tom Thumb				3				3
Balliol Gertie Giggles					3			3
Ch Rosndae Desert Rose			2					2
Ch Nagpuni Jelly bean Jazz		2						2

Show 1 – Lake Macquarie ABKC – Judge – Mr K Brown (NZ)

Show 2 – Southern Highlands K &Ob Club – Judge Mrs J Blythe (Tas)

Show 3 – St George & District Kennel Club Judge Mr B Woodburn(NSW)

Show 4 – CNCC Show Judge Mrs H Weil (QLD)

Show 5 – Wollongong Kennel Club

Show 6 – Gunnedah Kennel Club

Other Show Results

Flat Face Toy Dog Club 23 April

Balliol Gellert Grindlewald - M Parker Brien
& J Tremenheere – Baby in Show



Atherton Kennel Club 30 April 2011

Grand Ch Toi Toi North N Kiwi - S Thomas -
Runner up in Group

Sibermoon Lets Be Frank – S Thomas –
Baby in Group

Mareeba & District Kennel Association

1 May 2011

Grand Ch Toi Toi North N Kiwi - S Thomas -
Best in Group

Sibermoon Lets Be Frank – S Thomas –
Baby in Group

Morisset & District ABKC 1 May 2011

Balliol Gellert Grindlewald - M Parker Brien
& J Tremenheere – Baby in Group

Cairns City KC 2 May 2011

Grand ChToi Toi North N Kiwi - S Thomas -
Best in Group

Newcastle & District KC 6 May 2011

Balliol Gertie Giggles – M Parker Brien –
Baby in Group

Cootamundra ABKC 7 May 2011

Tzani Jack Daw – K, B & E
Bell –

Minor in Group



Charters Towers KC 14 May 2011

Grand Ch Toi Toi North N Kiwi - S Thomas -
Best in Group

Sibermoon Lets Be Frank – S Thomas –
Puppy in Group

Seymour & District KC 15 May 2011

Millbank Bogart - SR & HJ Delaland –
Baby in Group

Charters Towers KC 15 May 2011

Sibermoon Lets Be Frank – S Thomas –
Puppy in Group

The Griffon Bruxellois of Great Britain Club Show

The Griffon Bruxellois Club held their championship show in 10 April 2011 in Drayton, a small town close to Oxford.

There were 101 Griffons entered for the judge Mrs E. Stannard, who is well known for her Shiarita Pekingese although she has bred some Griffon champions as well in the past. It was a show for the girls as both Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show went to the two winning bitches

Best in Show and Bitch Challenge went to the black and tan bitch of Howard Ogden's Beauview Fly the Flag, fresh from her success winning BOB at Crufts

BIS Ogden's Beauview Fly The Flag



Reserve Best in Show & Reserve Bitch Challenge went to Alison Price's Marquant Desire

Reserve in Show Price's Marquant Desire



Dog Challenge was awarded to another of Alison Price's Griffons Marquant The Bad Boy

Challenge Dog Price's Marquant The Bad Boy



Reserve Dog Challenge went to Swinge's dog Balthazar Red Devil In Disguise'

Balthazar Red Devil In Disguise



Best Puppy In Show: Brice's Beauview Turning Up The Heat At Kingsleigh

Best Veteran In Show: Ogden's Beauview Out Of The Closet

Many thanks to Jakub Kadlec who took these photos and allowed their use in this newsletter



Application for Accredited Breeders Status

I wish to apply for Accredited Breeder status for the Griffon Fanciers Association.

I have read the criteria for Accredited Breeders and I agree to abide by it

Kennel Prefix _____

Name _____ Signed _____

Name _____ Signed _____



Name _____ Signed _____



How many dogs can you count in this picture?



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We will also provide a **Stud Directory** if members would like to list their dogs in this. The cost is \$10 per 2 dogs. Please send the money and the details regarding the dog to The Treasurer K Taylor, 29 Beverly Ave Warilla



Membership Application Form

(Please send this membership application to The Treasurer, K Taylor, 29 Beverly Ave Warilla)

I wish to join/renew membership with the Griffon Fancier's Association.

Name/s:	
Address:	
Phone	Mobile:
Email Address:	
I am a member of Dogs NSW - Yes / No (circle one)	Dogs NSW Number (if applicable):
I am a - Breeder / Exhibitor / Obedience or Agility Trialler / Pet Owner of a Griffon Bruxellois . (Circle the one/s which apply to you)	
Breeder Prefix:	Number of Griffons Owned
Names of Griffons:	
I wish to join this association because <i>(new members only)</i>	
Membership Fee: Standard Membership \$5.00 per person OR Puppy Buyer Membership (if joined up by breeder) \$2.00 I enclose my / our fee offor annual membership	
Signed Owner/s..... Breeder/s.....	