

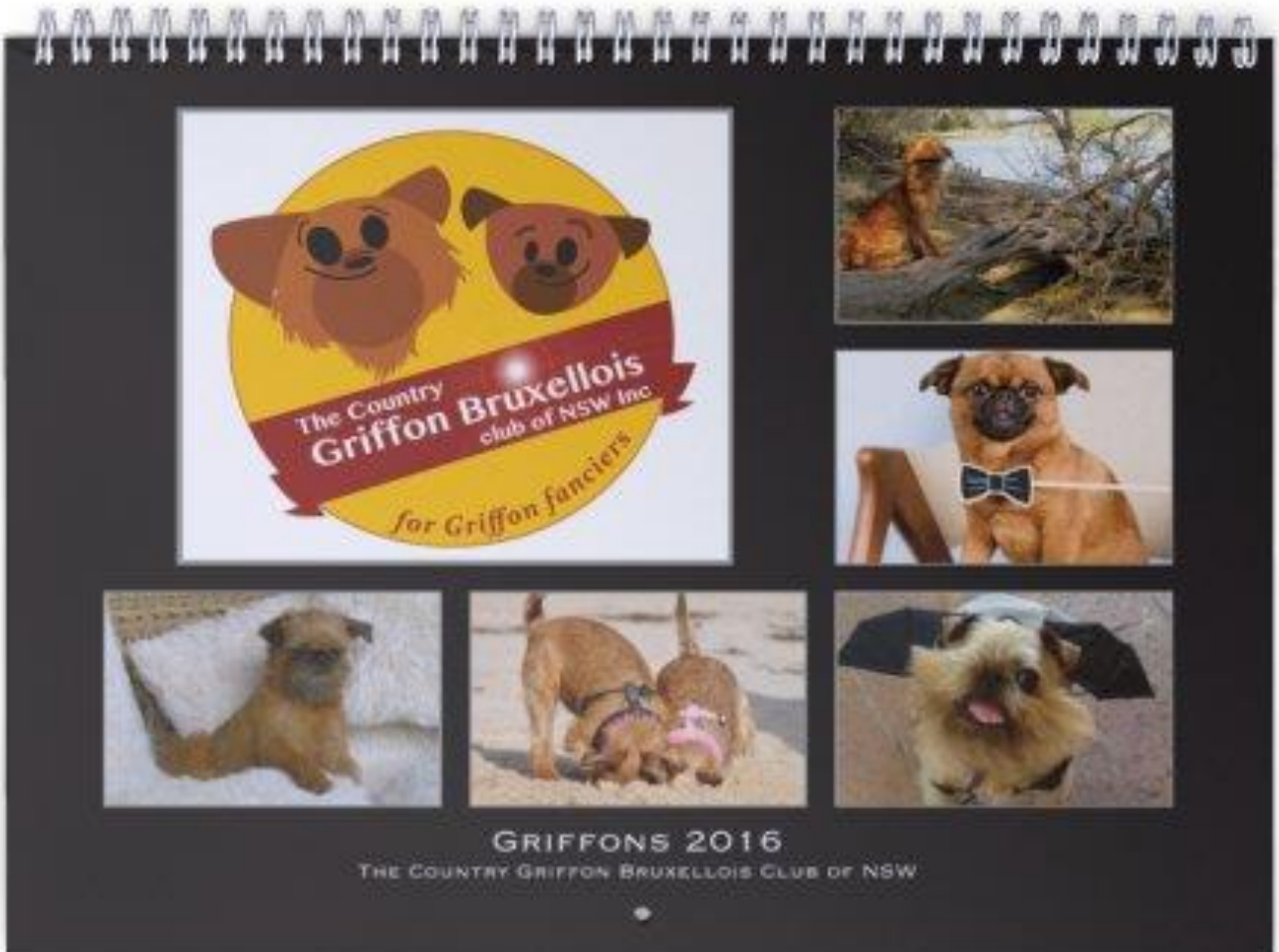


The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.



# The Phoenix

## Spring Edition 2015



***2016 Calendar to raise funds for health research***



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## Presidents Report

Since the last newsletter there have been some major shows taking place in New Zealand, Victoria and Queensland which have kept exhibitors busy.

Our club has also commenced the new point score and three point score shows have already taken place and the results are very close.

We have embarked on another fundraising for health research and have produced a 2016 Griffon calendar – the perfect Christmas gift for the Griffon lover and we hope members will support the club by purchasing a calendar.

We also look forward to our annual Christmas party, once more held at the home of Ros and Dave Finch at Kirkham. A perfect opportunity

for your Griffons to run wild and play with new Griffon friends!

Details on the calendar and the Christmas party can be found in the newsletter.

We will also be holding our AGM at the conclusion of the party and also in the newsletter can be found the agenda and nomination form.



## Editors Notes

In this issue we are celebrating Spring and show how Griffons have fun in the warmer weather.

We have a full report on the Victorian, Queensland and New Zealand shows, the club pointscore competition and the latest show successes.

There is also an article on the processes involved in breeding ethically which is part of a series, some of the latest health information on SM/CM and the latest

information about our members and their Griffons.

I hope you enjoy it and thank those members who have helped by contributing



## Keeping Children Safe

Having pets and children means teaching both to respect each other so that they stay safe.

The photo here is a graphic warning of why allowing your child to annoy a dog is not smart or amusing.

The dog's body language and expression clearly show it is uncomfortable with this situation.





### Griffon Corner

Congratulations to **Jane Wistuba** and her family. Jane became a grandmother for the first time when her son Blake and his fiancé Rebecca, had their first baby on 4<sup>th</sup> October. The little girl is called Brooklyn Rose Wistuba and she is going to be one spoilt little girl.



The proud parents will be getting married in December so 2015 will be a big year for the family.

It has been a busy time with some **Griffon Birthdays**

being celebrated by doting owners- and who says Griffons are spoilt!!

**Sharyn Woods** little boy Billy had a party at the end of September, to celebrate his 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday with all his friends. He also had the T shirt just in



case people forgot whose birthday it was. He was bred by fellow members, Iain and Lois Mitchell who also have his sister, Miss Virginia.

Happy Birthday to both. 🍰🍰♥♥♥♥

**Dwight**, owned by **Blake and Adam Zur** also celebrated his birthday when he turned 2 at the start of October. This year he got to celebrate with his new baby sister, Lily.



**Mr Gruff** and his sister, **Layla**, also celebrated their birthday with a party and party hats. Looks like they were experimenting with different ways of wearing the hats

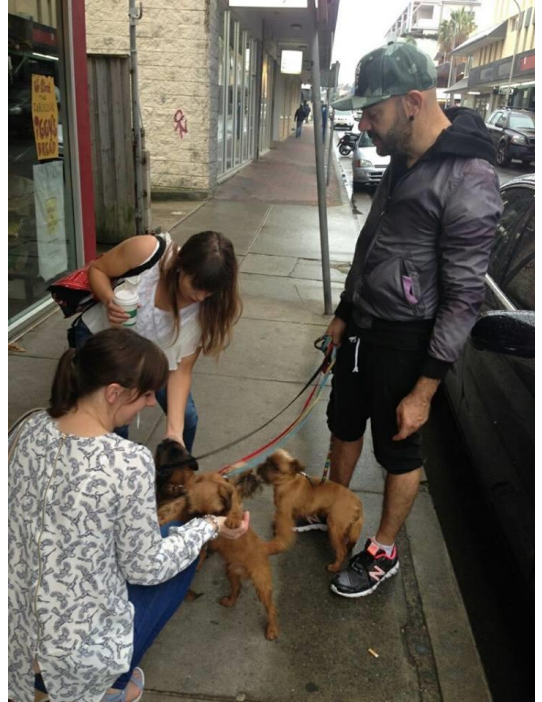




Australia and went to Bondi. What was the first thing she saw when she arrived- Griffons!!! Member **Andrew Georgiou** was out walking his boys so of course they had to stop and pat them and chat.

Another birthday girl was **Bunty Bear** who celebrated her 10<sup>th</sup> birthday in October.

**It's a small world when you own Griffons. Jocelyn Walker** is a member who lives in Dunedin near the bottom of the South island of New Zealand reports that a dear friend of hers, also from Dunedin was visiting



Looking for a toy for your Griffon- how about the latest **Star Wars Toy** – the **Chewbacca** toy looking so much like a rough bearded Griffon, has been released to celebrate the release of the new Star Wars movies.

**Terri Odell's** daughter, Kelli, competed in Fashions in the Field on Ladies day during the Melbourne Cup racing Carnival but although she has been a big winner in

the past, this was the closest she got to winning the Lexus this year



Jocelyn Walker's 3 dogs posed by the statue of the Southern Man at Dunedin Airport- as she said-

*Three southern dogs with the Southern Man .*

He looks as if he is walking them



### Griffon Tatoos.

Tatoos are very much in vogue at the moment and all types of images are the subjects.

Here are a couple of Griffon tattoos from people in Europe which may provide inspiration to some of our members.

Both show very detailed and accurate impressions of a rough Griffon



### Skateboard designs

We have already seen some example of Andrew Georgio’s talents as a graphic designer and artist but here is the latest; it is a sneak peek of his new skateboard deck art series that will make up part of next year’s Popheavy show.



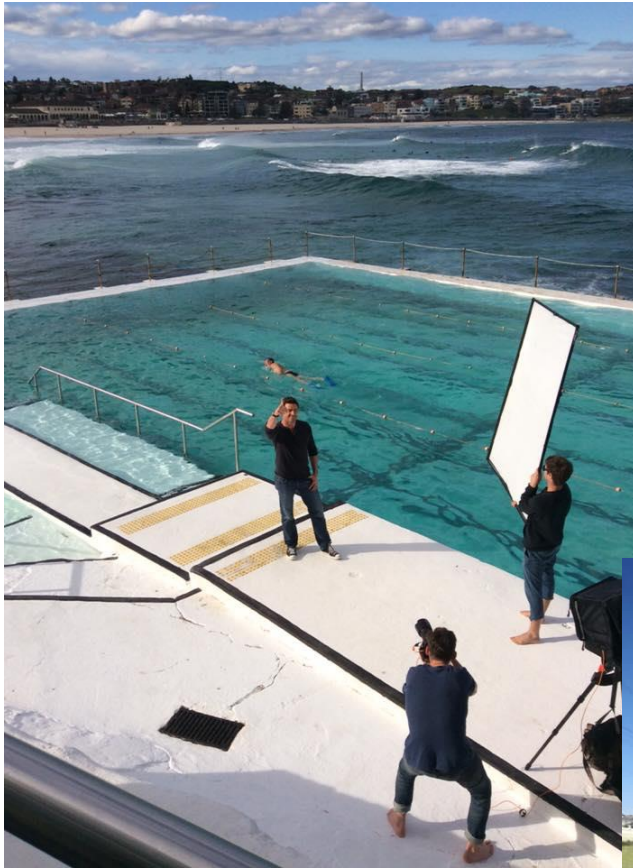
And not a Griffon among them- Andrew what are you thinking??!!

Maybe ET has some smooth Griffony qualities?

And of course when Andy is not designing he is at the beach with his Griffons- with the warm weather the boys were all able to get out and enjoy the sun and sand

as a prelude to summer. Nothing like a snooze in the sun.





We have previously reported on some of the celebrities that our Show Secretary, **Claire Parker**, sees at work at Bondi Icebergs club. The latest is **Hugh Jackman**, who was filming by the pool. And just to show that his 'nice guy' reputation is well deserved, when he saw that his photo was being taken he gave a smile and a thumbs up to the photographer.

**Adelaide Griffons.** There are not many Griffons in South Australia and very few breeders. In fact for the second year in a row, there were no Griffons entered at the Adelaide Royal, so low are the numbers.

However in September a number of Griffon pet owners organised their own Griffon gathering.

12 Griffons and approximately 20 people got together for the Griffons in the Park get together at Mt Barker Dog Park in the Adelaide Hills. I am told it was a great day meeting some wonderful



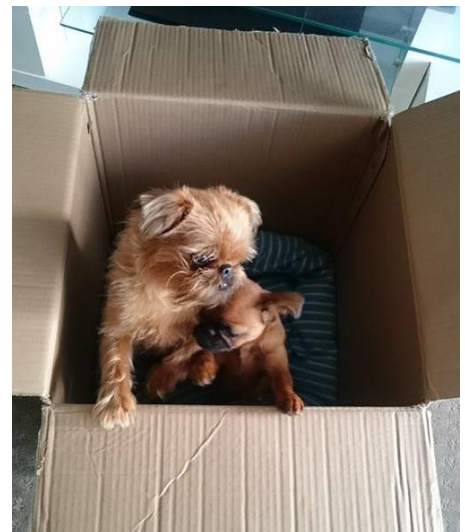
Griffon owners & the Griffs that own them. Nothing like Griffons for bringing people together!!



**Mr Gruff and Layla**, showed their cultural side when they went along to see **Sculptures By The Sea** – the annual outdoor sculpture exhibition that stretches along the shore from Bondi to Tamarama.

helped by packing themselves into a box ready for the move. They were not going to be left behind!!

**Blake and Adam Zur** have been preparing to move into their new house. The Griffons







**Percy the wedding planner-** Jessica Fouard gets plenty of advice regarding her wedding dress for her forthcoming wedding from Percy, who is full of helpful hints and magazine tips



**Liz Hollingshead** has just had a fabulous holiday in the USA where she saw all the sights from Las Vegas to New York.

In New York she visited the Empire State building and the Statue of Liberty and then at the other end of American culture she also saw The Cowboy – busking in New York – nothing like one extreme to the other





**VALE-** It has been a couple of sad months for some of our members with the passing of some of their much loved old Griffons.

In Sydney Ros and Dave Finch lost their lovely girl Lucy at 13 years of age, in Queensland Shane Thomas lost her older brother Micky and in New Zealand Sandie Meads lost her old girl ???. All lived to a ripe old age but that just makes the passing so much harder sometimes



**Ch. Raweke Lucy Locket**

*S: Ch Raweke Hansel/D: Ravenspur Bo Peep*

**“ LUCY”**

28/06/02 – 24/8/15.

Lucy was the most courageous loving little griffon with such a will to live that we always said that Lucy had nine lives and she lived every life to the fullest.

Lucy survived drowning after she squeezed through the pool fence when she was 12 months of age. Lucy was in a hypothermic coma from the cold pool and any other little dog would have died but Lucy came back to us.

Sometime later Lucy survived septicaemia and she went into a coma but she came out of the coma and completely recovered.

Lucy had an infection in her heart when she was ten years old and she had a massive stroke and died once again. Lucy came out of the coma again and we were told she would have massive brain damage and we sadly went to the vets to have her put to sleep but Lucy recognised us and we decided that we would try to help her to live and we taught Lucy everything from eating and walking etc. and Lucy recovered from the stroke and lived happily for the rest of her life.

Her struggle to survive was incredible and she was so kind and loving and all she wanted to do was to please us.

We miss our little Lucy so much but we take solace in the fact that at the end little Lucy was warm and comfortable and just drifted away on the lounge next to both of us. *(Thank you to Ros Finch for this)*

**Gr Ch Raweke Mickey Mouse**

*S: Ch Raweke Hansel/D: Ravenspur Bo Peep*

Like Lucy, Micky was bred by Jocelyn Croad and he was one of the first Griffons Shane owned.

This mating was an outstanding mating and it was one that Jocelyn repeated due to the lovely quality of the pups. It was also a very healthy mating and both parents were Grade A under the SM/CM scoring system of the time.

As well as a much loved pet Micky was an outstanding show dog and was one of the first Griffons in Australia to gain his Grand Championship title, under the old system. He was also an outstanding sire, producing healthy sound Griffons with his sweet nature and confident and loving personality.

When he retired from the show ring he lived with Shane as a beloved pet and I know that Shane and his family were devastated when he passed away and over 14 years of age. Our sympathies to Shane and his family





The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.



## The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

### Committee Meeting held at Orchard Hills

10 October 2015

#### Meeting Commenced: 12.57

**In Attendance:** Ros Finch, Dave Finch, Claire Parker, Jane Wistuba, Michelle Parker-Brien, Janelle Tremenheere, Lucas Shuttleworth, Rachel Taylor, Terri O'Dell and Grant O'Odell.

**Apologies:** Kerry Taylor, Ashleigh Barber and Sarah Peddie Mcguirk

**Minutes from Previous Meeting-** Accepted – Jane Wistuba, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ros Finch. Carried

**New Members-** Ngaire and Kenya Fryer, Tammy Cheng, Hugh Dillon

**Accepted – Moved –** Claire Parker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rachel Taylor

#### General Business

##### **Dog Lover Show**

Janelle has received information on the Dog Lovers Show for 2016. It was decided after discussion to participate in the Dog Lovers Show and pass on the Dogs on Show for 2016 due to the Dog Lovers Show being a more successful event for the club. Janelle will complete the necessary paperwork to secure a spot.

##### Show Business

##### **Future Shows**

**2 x Shows** Michelle asked the meeting if we thought it would be to the Clubs benefit to have two shows, it was decided to discuss this matter further at the AGM.

##### **2016 Show**

**Judge:** Mrs Robyn Williams has accepted our invitation to judge at our 2016 Speciality Show, she has signed the contract and is very excited and honoured. Her fee is \$80.00 which should cover her fuel costs.

##### **Venue**

The venue for our 2016 show will be Hillsborough.

##### **Trophies**

- BIS and RUBIS- Metal Prints, 2 @ 96.00 each – Claire to organise
- Opposite in Show, DCC and BCC – etched glasses - Ros and Dave to organise
- Reserve Challenges – tote bags with griffon print, 2 @ 20.00 – Claire to organise
- Class in Show- handmade quilted dog mats in club colour, 9 @ \$45.00 each – Jane to organise
- Opposite Class in Show – Cushion Covers with griffon print, 9 @ \$20.00 – Claire to organise
- Breeders Team – Studio pouch, 1 @ \$25.00 – Claire to organise
- Property Classes – Apron with embroidered Griffon, 6 @ \$15.00 – Jane to organise
- Golden Oldie – Easter eggs, \$10.00 for each Golden Oldie entered – Jane to organise
- Michelle will arrange the bottles of wine with Logo
- Judges gift – set of etched glasses and bottle of wine with our Logo
- Steward, Dogs NSW Rep and Photographer – bottle of wine

##### **Catering for Show**

Jane will be in charge of lunch for the executive and catering. Members to bring a plate and/or wine, champagne or soft drink.

##### **Labels for Prizes**

Jane will make the labels for the prizes and purchase ribbon and cellophane.

##### **Raffle for Show**

Ros will organise the raffle.

Terri offered to donate a prize for the raffle it was also suggested that Dave may be able to do framed cigarette cards with the club covering the cost of framing.

**Sponsorship:** Janelle will contact a few dog food companies in order to acquire sponsorship.

##### **Annual General Meeting**

Auditors report has been completed.

AGM will be held at Dave and Ros's after the Xmas Party at 3pm.

Meeting Closed at 2.15 pm



## Information for Members

As we have a number of new members and many renewals of membership it is a good time to remind everyone of the Club's expectations of members.

We are a large club with well over 100 members and with such a large membership we will always have people of differing opinions and views. However, we have always prided ourselves on being a friendly club which shows respect, courtesy and consideration to all members, regardless of personal disagreements or differences.

To refresh people's memories I have included the Clubs Aims, Code of Conduct for Members and Code of Ethics for Breeders.

It is important to remember that whenever you are out in public with your Griffon, if you are a member, then you are representing the club and this is particularly so if you are an show exhibitor, at a dog show or trial.

Members should never behave in a manner which will bring the club or the breed into disrepute.

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### 2. Code of Conduct for Members

As a member of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club Inc I agree to the following:

- To treat all members with respect, consideration and courtesy at all times
- To refrain from making any public comments about other members or their dogs that could be interpreted as offensive, belittling, insulting, inappropriate or divisive.
- To discuss and present the Griffon Bruxellois breed in an honest and positive manner to the general public.
- To ensure that all dogs that I own are kept in a safe and secure environment where they are free from physical and psychological harm at all times
- To socialise and train my dogs so that they will be responsible and obedient members of society and present Griffons in a positive light to the public.
- To provide adequate food, water, exercise and shelter for my dogs at all times.
- To provide all necessary veterinary care and treatment and to ensure that all necessary protections are up to date.
- To be completely honest with the breeder when purchasing a puppy from them and to truthfully state my intentions for the puppy.
- To only buy a puppy from a reputable and registered breeder or from a rescue organisation.
- To ensure that my dogs will never roam the streets and will be under effective control at all times.

### 3. Code of Ethics for Breeders

As a member of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc. I agree to the following:



- I shall only breed with the intention of maintaining or improving the quality of the breed according to the breed standard.
- I shall only breed to maintain or improve the health, structure and soundness of the dogs, both physically and mentally.
- I shall strive to eliminate hereditary conditions and diseases within the breed.
- I shall strive to ensure that any dog I breed is 'fit for function' and the health and physical well being of the dogs shall be of prime importance.
- I shall take all reasonable efforts to ensure that dogs I breed do not suffer from any disorder which impedes their breathing, sight, ability to move freely or their physical and mental well being.
- I shall undertake all health testing that I consider necessary (in consultation with my veterinary surgeon) prior to breeding.
- I shall ensure that I am aware of any potential health issues within the breed prior to breeding and I will do all that I can to avoid them
- I shall have all puppies checked thoroughly by a vet prior to sale and I will ensure that they receive all necessary vaccinations.
- I will not sell a puppy under the age of 8 weeks, preferably not before 10 weeks of age.
- I shall not breed from a bitch under 12 months of age and I will not breed from a bitch more than twice in 18 months.
- I shall not permit my dog to be mated to a dog of another breed
- I will ensure that dogs that I breed, only go to a home where they will be loved, valued and kept safe and secure and to take whatever safeguards that I feel are necessary to achieve this.
- I will ensure that no dog I breed will ever be passed onto a "puppy farmer"
- I will ensure that no dog I breed will ever be passed on to a person who will indiscriminately breed from my dog for profit only, without a concern for the welfare of the dog or the future of the breed.
- I shall represent my breed honestly when discussing health issues, without exaggeration.
- When buying or selling dogs I shall indicate my intentions with honesty and integrity
- I will ensure that all pups I sell will be sold with all appropriate information and paper work for the new puppy owner and I will be available for ongoing support and assistance for the puppy buyer.
- I will ensure that I will undertake to re-home any Griffon that I have bred if the buyer no longer wants the dog, regardless of the age of the dog and I will make this clear to the buyer at point of sale.
- I will do all that I possibly can to ensure that no Griffon I have bred ever ends up in a rescue or pound situation
- I will work with Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW in order to rehome any of my Griffons if it becomes necessary for me to do so.



### Some Puppy Photos

*Stanley's first attempt at learning how to do a show stand- he hasn't quite got the hang of it yet*



*Puppy wrestling match*



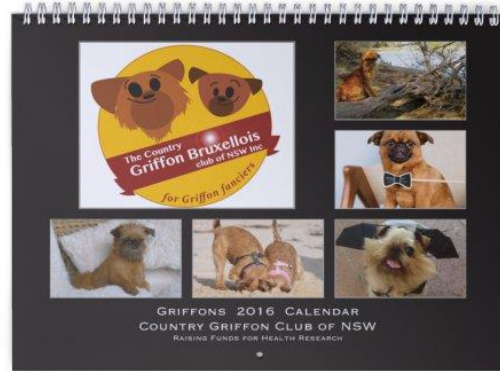
*Jocelyn Walker has an armful of babies*



## Calendar

As a fund raiser the club has created a Griffon calendar for 2016 to be sold as a fund raiser for ongoing health research.

The photos of the Griffons are all dogs belonging to our members and they show the Griffons enjoying life in various Griffony ways.



The calendar will be available for sale from mid -November and will cost \$20 ( plus postage if required)

It will also be available



for sale at our club Christmas party on 6<sup>th</sup> December (more details for the party can be seen in the newsletter)

All the pages from the calendar can be seen here and the dates for our ++Championship show and the Sydney Royal are also shown on the calendar.



The calendar can be ordered by contacting the President, Michelle Parker Brien at [mbrienparker@yahoo.com](mailto:mbrienparker@yahoo.com).

Payment can be made by direct deposit for orders to the club account at

*The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW. BSB - 012-559 (ANZ) Acc.No- 3890-43729*

*As reference please put your **last name** and the words **buy calendar***

It is essential that you do put your name and “buy Calendar” so that our Treasurer can keep track of the payments and not get them mixed up with other incoming monies.



These calendars will be a welcome addition to any Griffon Lovers Christmas stocking so don't miss out on your copy



## Dates for your Diary

**Club Christmas Party 2015-** The Christmas party will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> December. Details in this newsletter. See the next page. Photos of your Griffon with Santa \$5.00.

### Next Club Point Score Shows

14th November 2015 Childrens Cancer Welfare Service Show Orchard Hills <b>Sydney</b>	12 December 2015 NSW Ladies Kennel Club Castle Hill <b>Sydney</b> <b>XMAS SHOW</b>
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### Sydney Royal 2016

Griffons will be judged on **18<sup>th</sup> March** by Dr A Paloheimo (Finland) who will also be doing the Toy Group and Best in Show . **Entries are now Open**

The link is <http://www.sydneyroyal.com.au/344.htm>

### The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW – Championship Show 2016

Our club’s next Championship show will be held on Saturday **19<sup>th</sup> March** at Hillsborough, just a one and half hour easy drive north of Sydney. More details will be made available in later newsletters

### The 4 P’s Toy Dog Club Championship Show 2016

This show will be held on Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> in Sydney at Orchard Hills. More details will be made available in later newsletters.

**Griffon exhibitors** will be able to enjoy 3 days of Griffon showing so put these dates in your diary

- 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Griffon judging Sydney Royal
- 19<sup>th</sup> March 2016- The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club Championship Show
- 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – The 4 P’s Toy Dog Club Championship Show



### Griffons Enjoying Spring

*Mr Gruff and Layla- visit the beach*

*Billy enjoys his giant chew in the spring sunshine*





The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.



# Merry Griffmas Party!

Saturday December 6th, 10am - 2:30pm  
15, The Outlook, Kirkham,  
Ph: 02 46551669 Mobile: 0418418449

All Griffons & friends welcome!

Photos with Santa



Bring a folding chair to sit on when you come

Come along and join us for another Christmas Party with the Griffons. We look forward to welcoming you

- Griffon photos with Santa - \$5.00
- Games
- Griffon Fancy Dress Parade-Christmas theme
- Lunch provided
- \$5.00 per head to cover the cost of lunch
- Lots of space for your Griffon to run and play together
- Raffle
- Paddle pool for Griffons

All proceeds to Health research

To assist with catering-

Please RSVP to Ros and Dave Finch @

Ph- 024651669

Mob- 0418418449

Email-rosndae@bigpond.com

Venue- 15 The Outlook Kirkham





## Dog Lovers Show

The Dog Lovers Show took place in the Hordern Pavilion, Sydney on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> August.

This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dog Lovers Show to be held in Sydney and the event was even



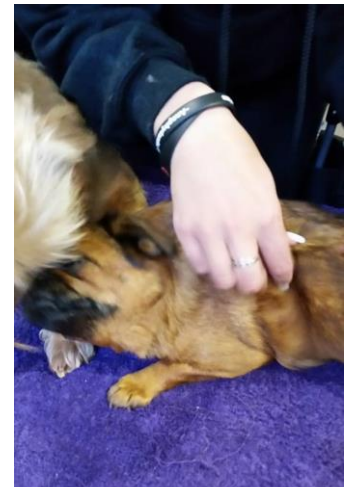
bigger than it had been the previous year.

Our club had a breed stand once more and as usual the Griffons attracted a lot of attention. As can be seen in the photo above the crowds were 3 and 4 deep around the stand throughout the 2 days and the Griffons enjoyed attention and showed off to an appreciative audience. Running along the top of the trolleys and enjoying the attention.

Ros and Dave Finch went in on the Friday to set up the stand and as usual it looked terrific.

They also manned the stand on Saturday along with Janine Brown and Roxy, Sheena Jackson and Bennie and Felicity Begg.

On Sunday the stand was manned by Jannelle Tremenheere, Claire Parker, Jane Wistuba and Michelle Parker Brien



**On Saturday Ros and Dave had a dreadful fright**, just as the event was opening to the public. Ros bought some pig ears for her Griffons to chew on and one of her little girls, Pixie, chewed hers to a soft pulp and then tried to swallow it. It caught in her throat and choked her. It was so far down her throat that Ros could not pull it out and Pixie was so distressed that she was biting out of fear. Luckily just as she passed out a security person came along and was able to pull it out and restore her breathing. Ros and Dave rushed her to a nearby vet while Felicity and Sheena manned the stand. Pixie was placed on antibiotics and made a full recovery but it was a very frightening and traumatic time for them all.

It serves as a warning not to give the Griffons pig ears as this can so easily happen. In fact any of the rawhide chews should be avoided because a Griffon jaw shape is not strong enough to break



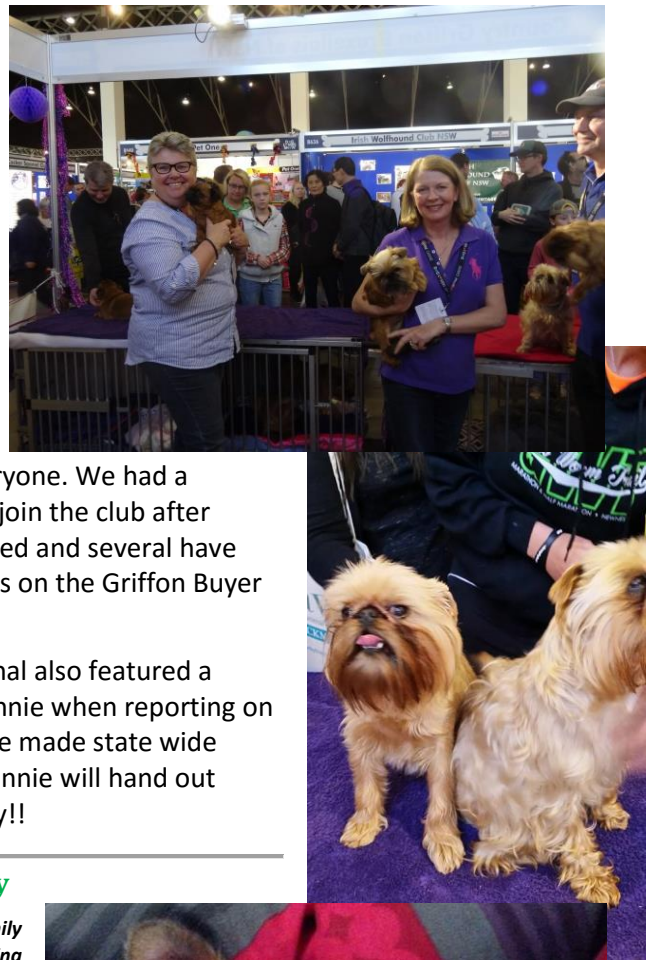


down the chew into small pieces. Instead it turns into a pulp which can so easily choke them. Pixie is lucky that Ros was there when it happened because if she had been chewing the pig ear when alone she would have died.



Apart from this incident the rest of the weekend went very smoothly and the Griffons charmed everyone. We had a number of new members join the club after falling in love with the breed and several have already placed their names on the Griffon Buyer Register.

The latest Dogs NSW journal also featured a photo of Sheena's boy Bennie when reporting on the Dog Lovers show so we made state wide fame as well. No doubt Bennie will hand out pawagraphs if asked nicely!!



### More Spring Griffons- meeting their new family

*Amelia Hickman's little Griffon bonds with her new family with a bit of ear chewing*



*Holly and Thomas welcomed their new little girl , Ygritte into the family – and she jumped for joy!!*



*Blake and Adam welcomed a new baby sister for Dwight- Lily seemed quite ready to go to her new home*





## Overseas News

### New Zealand

The beginning of October was a busy time for New Zealand Griffon people with 4 prestigious shows in 4 days, all at Wellington (Thank you to Sandie Meads for the detailed results)

#### The New Zealand Griffon Club

Held on Tuesday 29th September 2015, this was the first of the shows. Mr John Sheppard from NSW was the judge (he is incidentally a member of our own club).

**Best in Show, DogCC & also Best Open in Show : Ch Yappenbach D'Vyne 'N' Dandy** (R/R) bred and owned by Adrienne Rowsell. (NZ/Aus Ch Ned D'Vyne of Paris at Upmarket and out of Ch Yappenbach El-Oh-El-Aye Lola).



Best in show

**Reserve in Show , Reserve Dog CC &**

**Junior in Show: Ch Tiroroa Time for a Treat** (R/S) bred and owned by Jocelyn Walker (NZ/Aus Ch Nouveau Discriminator / Ch Tiroroa Smooth Treat)

Reserve in Show

**Baby Puppy in Show: Yappenbach Strip Tease** (R/R) bred & owned by Adrienne Rowsell (Yappenbach Fire Cracker / Ch Yappenbach Burllesque).

Baby in Show



**Minor Puppy in Show:**

Nouveau Domoisella (R/S) bred & owned by Alastair Clicquot (Ch Mowacre Smooth Operator via Nouveau / Ch Nouveau Dominesque)

Minor in Show

**Puppy in Show:** Yappenbach D'Vyne Motion (R/R) bred & owned by Adrienne Rowsell (Ch Yappenbach D'Vyne 'N' Dandy/Ch Tiroroa Smooth Treat)



**Intermediate in Show:** Yappenbach Fire Cracker (R/R) bred & owned by Adrienne Rowsell (NZ Ch Statuesque Trilogy (Imp Aus)/Ch Yappenbach El-Oh-El-Aye Lola)

**NZ Bred:** Ch Nouveau Distinctive (R/S) bred by Alastair Clicquot & owned by Jocelyn Walker (NZ/Aus Ch Nouveau Discriminator / Ch Nouveau Dominicale)

**Veteran in Show:** Ch Jakarim The Maestro bred & owned by Janet Ritchie (Tuttlebees Motivator (Imp UK) / Jakarim Calamity Jane)

**Res Bitch CC:** Ch Upmarket Lady in Red (R/R) bred & owned by Polly Middleton (NZ/Aus Ch Ned D'Vyne of Paris at Upmarket / Ch Ruby Red of Taff)



**The Wellington Toy Dog Club Show** was held on Wednesday 30th September 2015. Judge Mr Don Hunter (NSW).

**Best of Breed, Dog Challenge & NZ Bred:** Ch Cricklewood A Night in Paris (NZ/Aus Ch Paris Night

*Fever/ Mowacre Cynthia Darling) (S Meads, Julie & David Fifield)*

**Res of Breed & Dog Challenge & Intermediate:** Yappenbach Fire Cracker

**Best Bitch and Puppy of Breed:** Shigriff Second Thoughts (Aus Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris (Imp NZ)

*/ Shigriff Say No More) bred by Michelle Gurney & Caroline Elder, owned by Sandie Meads*

**Res Bitch Challenge:** Yappenbach Cookies 'N' Puppy in Show - Shigriff Second Thoughts Cream



*Puppy in Show - Shigriff Second Thoughts*

**The Wanganui Toy Dog Club Show** was also held on Wednesday 30th September 2015. Judge Mr John Muldoon (Ireland)

**Best of Breed, Dog Challenge & Open:** Ch Statuesque Trilogy (Imp Aus) bred by F & L Pieterse, owned by Polly Middleton (Aus Ch Applegarth Harry's Game at Stefton (Imp Uk to Aus)/ Statuesque Pumpkin Quiche)

**Reserve Dog & Intermediate:** Yappenbach Fire Cracker

**Bitch Challenge & Puppy of Breed:** Shigriff Second Thoughts

**Res Bitch Challenge & NZ Bred:** Yappenbach Cookies 'N' Cream

**The Eukanuba New Zealand Kennel Club National Dog Show** is the largest dogs show held in New Zealand and usually has an international panel of judges. In 2015, the Judge was Mr Hisayoshi Kadowaki (Japan).

Adrienne Rowsell had a very successful show winning most of the major breed awards

**Best of Breed, Dog Challenge & Open:** Ch Yappenbach D'Vyne 'N' Dandy

**Res of Breed, Bitch Challenge & Intermediate:** Kokomo Munkee-Mischief (R/R) bred by Maria Nailer & owned by Carla Stevenson.

**Reserve Dog**

**CC:**

Yappenbach Fire Cracker

**Puppy of Breed:** Yappenbach D'Vyne Motion

NZ Bred: Yappebach Cookies 'N' Cream



*Ch Yappenbach D'Vyne 'N' Dandy*



Ch Yappenbach D'Vyne 'N'Dandy was shortlisted for Best of Group, and Adrienne's young girl YAPPENBACH D'VYNE MOTION was awarded **Puppy of Group**.

*This is Yappenbach D'Vyne Motion in the Puppy line up. Ginger (as she is known) went on to be awarded Puppy of Group.*



## Health

### SM/CM

*Ch Raweke Basil Brush, Mri'ed at 5 years of age and Graded A under the initial research for family groups carried out by Claire Rushbridge*



#### What is it and what is the latest research?

SM stands for- Syringomyelia

CM stands for - Chiari Malformation

For more detailed information on these 2 conditions you can visit the website below which answers the most commonly asked questions

<http://www.veterinary-neurologist.co.uk/part1.htm>

#### In summary

**Syringomyelia-** is a disease of the spinal cord where the spinal cord develops cavities which fill with fluid. These fluid filled cavities are called syrinxes. The syrinxes can vary in size and the larger the syrinx the more severe the symptoms.

**Chiari Malformation-** this is a condition that is caused when the brain is too large for the skull. There is not enough room in the skull for the brain and part of it is pushed out to the back of the skull. Researchers are still not sure about what causes this condition but ongoing studies seem to indicate that if the back of the skull is too short then the dog is more likely to have problems

These conditions were only identified in dogs in 1997 and research is still very much ongoing. It is a condition that has been identified on over 20 breeds of dogs and it also occurs in human beings

#### What Causes SM?

In humans it has been caused following a traumatic injury, and also a traumatic birthing injury such as use of forceps. There is a lack of detailed evidence of this as a cause in dogs but theoretically it is possible.

It is also an inherited condition but the inheritance is not fully understood and is complex and can be influenced by other unidentified conditions. DNA research and tests are currently being carried out in the hope that a DNA marker will be found.

As research progresses they are learning more and more about this condition.

A dog can only be diagnosed by an MRI. The MRI is a diagnostic tool only, it does not indicate inheritance and researchers can only make breeding recommendations based on the current and as yet imprecise knowledge

Initially the grading scheme was A – F with A being the best and F a severely affected dog. Dogs under 2.5 years were given a C grade- if clear

Now they have developed a more sophisticated grading scheme which can be seen on the graph at the end of the article, which also shows the breeding guidelines that are currently recommended.

*Ch Rosndae Ginger Snap, Mri'd as a mature dog and graded A*





On the graph it can be seen that the researchers distinguish between dogs over 5 years, dogs 3 – 5 years and dogs under 3 years.



This is because a permanent MRI grade can only be provided for a mature dog over 5 years. Until that age any MRI grade is temporary. A dog could be deemed clear at 2 years of age but later develop the condition and show symptoms on an MRI taken at 4 years of age.

*Australian/New Zealand Champion Paris Night Fever, MRI'd at 8 years of age and graded A (Rusbridge)*

However current knowledge indicates that the earlier a dog shows symptoms, either physically or on an MRI, the more severe the condition is likely to be.

A dog under 2 or 3 years of age that shows symptoms is likely to be severely affected.

### Physical Symptoms of the Condition

Symptoms are varied and depend on the type and severity of the condition. Dogs can display air scratching behaviours where they repeatedly scratch the air, usually near the neck, they may repeatedly snap at non-existent flies, they may sit in corners in a subdued manner, they can show pain, sometimes on one side more than the other and in severe cases they can show a form of seizure which is distressing to watch.

Some of the symptoms can also be indicative of other neurological conditions or from health issues ranging from arthritic pain to toxic overload. The only way SM/CM can be accurately diagnosed is by MRI.

No vet or any other person can diagnose these conditions by looking at the dog, studying the shape of the skull or any other form of testing- it must be an MRI.

### Treatment

Treatment is still in a state of change for both people and dogs who have these conditions. It can range from surgery to a variety of drugs to control the symptoms. At its most extreme, the condition leads to euthanasia in dogs due to the high and uncontrollable levels of pain they can experience. Practitioners are still trying new methods of treatment to deal with the conditions.

It is usually a condition that needs to be treated by a neurological specialist as many vets are not fully familiar with it.

*Australian /New Zealand Ch Nouveau Delinquent, MRI's at 6 years of age and Graded A (Rushbridge). Now 14 years of age and still happy and healthy*

### How Common is it in the Breed?

This is very hard to say as the available statistics are likely to be misleading and they also vary from country to country.

Some people will say that it is very high based on MRI data. However these statistics are not indicative as they tend to be skewed towards the worse possible scenario.

The reason is because the dogs that are most frequently MRI'd are dogs who already have symptoms, therefore they are affected. As they are the





majority of dogs MRI'd they tend to skew the data to make the statistics look worse than they possibly are.

A number of breeders can and do MRI dogs which are clear and not displaying symptoms but they tend to be a minority.

This is not always because they do not care but can be because of a number of other factors;

- an MRI usually costs close approx. \$1000 or more, so is an expensive option.
- MRI's in many areas are difficult to organise and usually mean travelling to a major city where the facilities are available.
- the grade is not permanent until the dog is 5 years or over and often breeders are reluctant to put their dogs under repeated anaesthetics
- the mode of inheritance is still not fully understood and research is still ongoing. It is considered to be a polygenic condition which makes it very complex
- Good breeders know their own lines and also know what testing has been done behind the lines. Obviously a breeder who has had SM /CM confirmed in their own lines will have to test more thoroughly. A breeder whose lines have regularly tested free of the condition will be more judicious in when they test.

However, that said, an ethical breeder will ensure that they are up to date with the latest findings and make any decisions based on the ongoing research and consultation with their vet

### Breeding

A dog exhibiting symptoms must never be bred from.

A dog that is shown to be affected by MRI must never be bred from and these are the dogs indicated in red on the table. The breeding policy should be – "If in doubt – don't"

Responsible breeders:

- test as needed
- know and understand their own bloodlines
- ensure that they do all they can possibly do, within the realms of veterinary advice and current scientific knowledge to breed healthy animals.

*New Zealand / Australian Ch Raweke Hansel. MRI'd Grade A at 10 years of age under early Rushbridge research into the familial aspects of the condition*



### References

The following links will provide additional information on the ongoing research into these conditions.

Much of the research is based on Cavalier King Charles Spaniels as the conditions are more prevalent in this breed. In most cases the research can apply to all breeds.

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### Conversion from 2006 Breeding Guidelines to 2012 Breeding Guidelines

The chart below is to convert SM grades given to dogs under the 2006 SM Breeding Guidelines (i.e., A, B, C, D, E, F) to the 2012 SM Breeding Guidelines. The SM grade depends upon the age at which the dog was scanned.

**Notes to the Chart below:**

**CCD** = central canal dilatation

**a** = over 5 years

**b** = 3 to 5 years

**c** = under 3 years

**Green** = okay to breed

**Red** = do not breed

\*A = dog over 5 years, no SM

# dogs with CCD aged less than 2.5 years were often attributed a D grade.

Age	SM Grade	2006 GRADE equivalent	Normal			CCD			SM		
			0a	0b	0c	1a	1b	1c	2a	2b	2c
			*A no CCD	A no CCD	C	*A with CCD	A with CCD	#	D	D	E
over 5 yrs	0a	*A no CCD									do not breed
3-5yrs	0b	A no CCD									
1-3 yrs	0c	C									
over 5 yrs	1a	*A with CCD									
3-5yrs	1b	A with CCD									
1-3 yrs	1c	#									
over 5 yrs	2a	D									
3-5yrs	2b	D									
1-3 yrs	2c	E	do not breed								
Dog with clinical signs CMA /or SM any age		F	do not breed								





## News from the Other States

Both Queensland and Victoria have held Championship shows since our last newsletter, both with judges from overseas who are experienced Griffon people.

The entries at the 2 shows were very different as the long distance between venues prevented many people from attending both shows.

### Queensland

The Queensland show was judged by Griffon breeder and exhibitor, Paloma Pegorer from Brazil. This was her second international appointment in 2015 as she had previously judged at the Griffon show in The Czech Republic in July.

**Best in Show** was the lovely rough red bitch **Ch Nouveau Demonstration** who was also Runner Up in Show last year

*Best in Show*



**Runner Up In Show** went to the smooth red dog **Supreme Ch Crickelwood Night of Magic**

*Runner Up IN Show*

**in Paris**, who was Best in Show earlier in the



year at the Country Griffon Bruxellois club show so the judge chose 2 well The two Reserve Challenges went to the young litter brother and sister, the dog, **Shigriff Sexy and I Know It** and the bitch, **Shigriff Say My Name**, bred by Caroline Elder and Michelle Gurney and sired by the Runner Up in Show winner.

*Dog CC winner Supreme Ch Crickelwood Night of Magic in Paris , and his son the Reserve Dog CC winner Shigriff Sexy and I Know It*

The Reserve dog later went on to also win Puppy in Show

And his sister, Reserve Bitch CC Shigriff Say My Name won Minor in Show

*Reserve Bitch CC and Minor in Show Shigriff Say My Name*





The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.

Other Results were:

**Baby in Show-1st Raweke Tywin Lannister**

**Minor in Show as for RBCC).**

**Puppy in Show – as for RDCC**



**Junior in Show- Ch Griffonsberg Miss Georgia**



**Intermediate in Show – Ch Balliol Jinny Juniper**



**Australian Bred in Show- Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald**



**Open in Show as for BIS**

It was a great show for Ashleigh Barber-she took 3 dogs to the show and won with all 3 of them- Runner up in show, Puppy

I Show and Intermediate in Show.

Sometimes you just have a really good weekend when it all goes right.

*Here she is celebrating with her 3 little winners- Neville, Trevor and Ginny*





## Victoria

One month after the Brisbane shows, it was the turn of Victoria with the Griffon Bruxellois Club of Victoria celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary show followed by Griffon judging at Melbourne Royal.

The club celebrated the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with the publication of a year book which is a glossy publication that will be a valuable historical record o years to come.

The judge for the show was Mr John Constantine, a Griffon and Schnauzer breeder from the USA. He was a professional handler in the USA as well as a successful breeder.



The **Best in Show**, like Queensland, went to the bitch Ch Statuesque Cant Get Enuff .

There was also a family connection as there was in Queensland with her daughter, Statuesque Gabriella going Baby in Show

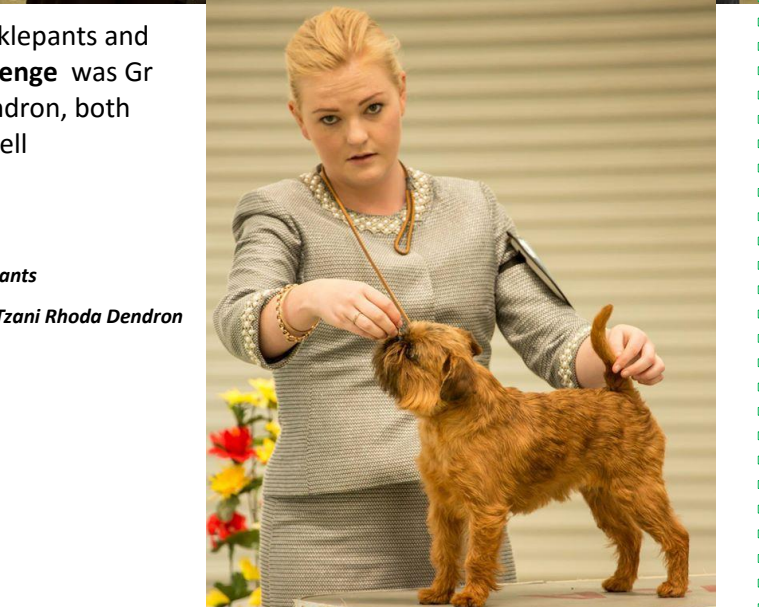
*BIS Ch Statuesque Cant Get Enuff and her daughter Statuesque Gabriella*



Intermediate in Show was the black and tan smooth, Beauview Branch Office (Imp UK).

He was handled by Julia Spittle with whom he lived when he was in the UK. He is now owned by Kathy Grass and Beth Canavan and they were able to take a family shot of Yorkie and all of his owners

*Yorkie and his family celebrating the win*



**Reserve Dog Challenge & Best Aust. Bred in Show** was Gr Ch Troubadour Pricklepants and **Reserve Bitch Challenge** was Gr Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron, both handled by Emily Bell

*Gr Ch Troubadour Pricklepants*

*Gr Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron*



The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.

### Other Results

Best Minor Puppy in Show: Griffonsburg Vespers Victory

*Best Minor Puppy in Show*

Best Puppy in Show: Kango Pootin On The Ritz

Best Junior in Show: Armorgrif Asmodeus

Best Limit in Show: Alpebraverie Mon Choux

Best State Bred in Show: Resamelad Olympia

Best Neuter in Show: Ch/ Neut Ch Matisse Teachers Pet

### 2015 Royal Melbourne Show Results



#### Best of Breed

Mrs R & Mr A Morse: CH ARMORGRIF ASMODEUS *S: Ch Armorgrif Beelzebub D: Ch Armorgrif Kyla Aine*

**CH ARMORGRIF ASMODEUS**

#### Runner Up Best of Breed

Mr I T Mitchell: CH GRIFFONSBURG MISS VIRGINIA *S: Ch Donzeata Royal Star (Imp UK) D: Ch Tzani Jacki Winter*

**CH GRIFFONSBURG MISS VIRGINIA**



#### Best Baby Puppy of Breed

Miss K Grass & Mrs E Canavan: KOBIRED CUCKOO CRAZY *S: Azande Tic Tac Toe D: Millbank Betty Davis*

#### Best Puppy of Breed

Alwood Kennels: ALWOOD MR HINCH *S: Ch Alwood Mr Hasting D: Ch Alwood Suspicious*



#### Reserve Challenge Dog

Miss K Grass & Mrs E Canavan: BEAUVIEW BRANCH OFFICE (IMP UK) *S: Beauview I Can Hear Thunder D: Beauview Fake Tan*

**BEAUVIEW BRANCH OFFICE (IMP UK)**

#### Reserve Challenge Bitch

STATUESQUE HOOCHY POOCHY *s: Ch Statuesque William Wombat D: Statuesque Pumpkin Quiche*

**STATUESQUE HOOCHY POOCHY**





## So you have thought about Breeding.....

This is the first of a series of articles on breeding your Griffon to help to educate and explain the process involved in breeding a healthy, well socialised, well adjusted, happy, loving and cheeky Griffon.

Often someone buys a Griffon and naturally falls in love with it. They love the Griffon so much that they think it would be nice to get it a friend and have puppies from them.

What most people do not realise is that breeding high quality dogs is not as simple as putting a boy with a girl and hoping for the best.

The reason that the little Griffon you love so much is such a good dog is because a caring breeder has put years of research, planning and work into producing such a wonderful little dog. Great little dogs do not just happen- they happen because of endless work and expense on the part of the breeder.

In order for the breed to survive we need breeders, BUT we need the right type of breeders if it is to maintain the same high standard that exists at the moment

### Types of Breeders

Essentially there are two types of breeders;

#### I. Ethical Breeders - They breed because

- they love the breed,
- they love their dogs,
- they see themselves as a custodian of the breed that has a history going back for many hundreds of years
- they take genuine pride in breeding healthy happy well adjusted dogs
- they enjoy the challenge of trying to breed the best dog possible with every litter
- they research and health test all breeding stock in consultation with their vet
- they know and understand pedigrees and can tell you the strengths and weaknesses behind dogs- even years back
- they will travel to other states or countries to get the best possible mate for their dog
- They almost always show their dogs so that they can constantly stay abreast with the quality of the dogs of the moment and they can constantly upgrade their own understanding and knowledge
- Their dogs are always registered with the Kennel Control of their state ( in NSW it is Dogs NSW)





**II. Other Breeders-** Whatever form these people take they do not have the best interests of the breed at heart. At worst they are puppy farmers, at best they are backyard breeders who lack knowledge

- They either breed for money or for amusement.
- They do not research,
- They do not fully understand the breed or the major breed characteristics, including personality.
- They do not health test and may not even be aware of health issues
- They do not understand the breed standard

and cannot distinguish between a well bred Griffon and a Griffon with poor construction for example (which may lead to health issues down the track)

- They may or may not show and they will frequently have excuses for issues that arise with their dogs.
- If you contact them they are more interested in the money than the dog.

**SO-** if you do breed your Griffon it is essential that you do so as an ethical and informed breeder who has the dog and the breed's best interests at heart. With this as the basis of all future discussion I have now included the information on the steps involved in becoming a registered breeder.

### Registered Breeders

The ANKC (Australian National Kennel Control) is the only legitimate organisation in Australia which registers genuine pedigreed dogs. It is the umbrella which oversees each individual state organisation. The information below is from the Dogs NSW website and it outlines the steps involved for any person to become a registered, ethical breeder in NSW.

If you live in a different state you will need to consult that State body as the rules will vary from state to state

### From Dogs NSW;

#### Become a Breeder



To become a DOGS NSW Registered Breeder, here's what to do:

1. Become a [financial member](#) of DOGS NSW and achieve a minimum period of twelve months continuous Membership
2. Become the [registered owner](#) of a female purebred dog/s you wish to breed with, so that your name appears as the owner on the Certificate of Registration & Pedigree (Main Register)
3. Ensure that the Sire (Father) that you have chosen to mate to your bitch is owned either by a financial member of DOGS NSW or an interstate Controlling Body.
4. [Apply for a Breeder Prefix](#) which will identify all dogs bred by you and becomes the first word before the names of all puppies to be registered. For example, the Prefix 'LOGIC' then pups name 'GOLD NUGGET' the full registered name of the puppy would then be 'LOGIC GOLD NUGGET'. Indicate your 8 choices on the Prefix Application form. [Breeders Prefix is also sometimes referred to as your Kennel Name]





5. If you only include 2 or 3, and those rejected by the ANKC National Prefix Register, then you will be required to submit another form.

As soon as your Prefix Application is accepted by Dogs NSW you will be enrolled in the [Dogs NSW Online Members Education Prefix Program](#) which must be undertaken over a minimum period of six months.

When you join DOGS NSW you sign to agree and abide by its Constitution and Regulations. This includes Part I/1A: The Register & Registration and Part XIII: Code of Ethics. It is mandatory that you make yourself familiar with both of these [Regulations](#).

6. During the period you are studying the [MEPP course material](#), your Breeders Prefix application will be sent to the ANKC National Prefix Register for approval of your kennel name, this name will only be available and ready for use after you undertake the MEPP Examination and an inspection of your premises has been conducted and clearance given by the Inspector.

Caution: Under no circumstances are you authorised to breed a litter prior to registration of your Prefix and should you do so whilst a Member of Dogs NSW, firstly the litter would not be registered and, in all likelihood, you would face a Judicial Inquiry.

### Recommended reading

DOGS NSW [Regulations Part 1/1A](#)

DOGS NSW [Code of Ethics](#)

Dogs and How to Breed them – Hilary Harmar (ISBN 07071 0010 0, published by John Gifford)

The Encyclopaedia of Dog Breeds – Juliet Cunliffe (ISBN 075254 156 0, published by Parragon)

[Animal Welfare Code of Practice](#) – Breeding Dogs & Cats

[Companions Animals Act](#)

**Note:** once you become a member of DOGS NSW, in accordance with the Regulations you may only breed with pedigree dogs on the Main Register of the ANKC Database, you must register all puppies in a litter and provide the Certificates of Registration & Pedigree to all new owners.

As a Dogs NSW Registered Breeder, under no circumstances are you permitted to sell any puppies 'without papers' or breed any dogs that are not registered on the Main Register of the ANKC National Database.

All indentified breaches of the Regulations are reported to the Disputes Assessment Panel for investigation and appropriate action.

### Dogs NSW Members Education Prefix Program



The Dogs NSW Members Education Prefix Program, is an education program in which a pass is a pre-requisite to the granting of a new or transferred Registered Prefix to a Member.

For further introductory information and eligibility, please read the "[Become a Breeder](#)" tab. Only Members who have achieved twelve months continuous membership of Dogs NSW are eligible to apply to register a breeders prefix.

Download the [Application For Registration of a Breeders Prefix](#)

The Members Education Prefix Program is provided below in six Modules to be undertaken over a minimum period of six



months. It is recommended that Prefix applicants endeavour to space their study at a rate of one Module per month.

The Program learning materials are provided below, click on each to download the Material: **[Please be patient when downloading and saving some files are quite large in size]**

Module 1 [Introduction / Dogs NSW Operations](#)

[Basic Anatomy - Part 1](#)

[Basic Anatomy - Part 2](#) **New**

Module 2 [Canine Welfare](#)

[Nutrition](#)

Module 3 [Soundness, Balance and Gait](#)

[First Aid](#)

Module 4 [Code of Ethics](#) \*

**\* This document MUST be read in conjunction with the updated Dogs NSW Regulations**

[Part XII Code of Ethics](#)

[Dogs & the Law - Part 1](#)

[Dogs & the Law - Part 2](#)

Module 5 [Breeding - Care, Mating and Whelping](#)

Module 6 [Basic Genetics](#)

[Hereditary Diseases - Screening](#)

Upon completion of the course study, you may apply to undertake the MEPP Examination which will be provided online in a supervised situation where you will be required to provide photo identification and your Dogs NSW Financial Membership Card.

Please contact the office for the "Examination Application" which can only be submitted after your 6 month study period.

Please note that upon attaining a pass in the MEPP Examination, arrangements will be made for an Inspector authorised by Dogs NSW to inspect your proposed breeding establishment premises to ensure compliance with Dogs NSW Regulations Part XIII – Code of Ethics and related legislation. Registration of your Prefix will only occur after clearance is provided by the Inspector.

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### Responsible Breeding

Dedicated dog breeders must become relative experts in many areas if they wish to produce sound, healthy dogs. These areas include:

- Feeding and nutrition
- Housing and kennel management
- Mating
- Whelping
- Basic genetics
- Disease control
- Understanding of the problems within their breed.







All of this is in addition to attempting to breed the next world-beater for the show ring!

Healthy, beautiful dogs that are sound in temperament and body are the aim of all dedicated dog breeders. The end result is often a compromise of various factors, including economic ones, but where soundness impacts the dog's quality of life, we must make honest attempts to decrease the incidence of any problems. Breed clubs should incorporate any available testing that can reduce the incidence of disease or improve soundness within the breed.



The more we know of all the factors affecting our breeding stock before breeding a litter, the better equipped we will be to find solutions to potential problems and reduce the number of unsound dogs being produced. This has benefits for all, but particularly for the dogs.

#### **Why breed a litter?**

Before you breed a litter, you should know why you are doing so and have goals in mind for what you wish to achieve. A responsible breeder aims to produce a litter for better construction and temperament and a sounder dog.

You should understand the basics of genetics to give you some idea of how different traits or characteristics are inherited. In contemplating a litter, you should consider the 'breed worth' of the parents and their overall breed soundness. When breeding dogs, we are constantly trying to create better and hopefully sounder dogs.

#### **What is breed soundness?**

The breed soundness of an individual dog is determined by assessing several areas:

**Physical soundness:** this relates to construction and health. Is the animal able to cope with the demands of ordinary life, as well as stresses of heavy work in specialised areas if required? Health can refer to organ or system health, such as reproductive health, as well as areas such as heart function or joint health

**Mental soundness:** this refers to the temperament, ability and aptitude of the animal to be of benefit in its chosen field. Different temperaments are required for the numerous fields of activity (or relative inactivity) that cover the wide range of dog types and diversity of use. For example, the keenness to work that is admired in the working and utility breeds would be rather overpowering in many toy breeds.

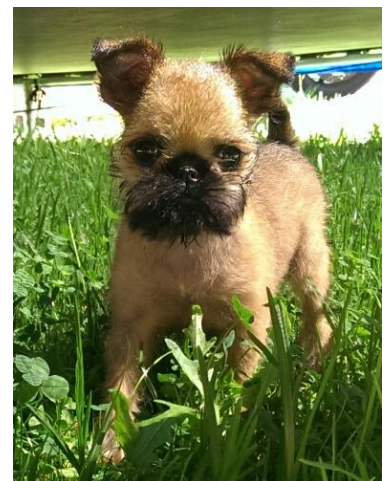
**Genetic soundness:** this is reflected in many physically obvious attributes, as well as on cellular and hormonal levels, which may be less obvious. Recent developments have resulted in many more conditions being termed genetic in origin, however the means to readily remove these conditions from a breed are often not yet available.

**Breed type:** before considering breeding, you should assess whether your dog or bitch is typical of the breed, that is, whether it looks like the breed should look. To improve the quality of stock within your kennel, any dog or bitch used to produce a litter should be above average.

*By Dr Karen Hedberg, BVSc, practising veterinary surgeon and Chair of the ANKC Canine Health Committee.*

As you can see, becoming a registered breeder is not something to be taken lightly- it requires commitment, knowledge and ongoing learning.

And this is the easy part. In the next issue we will discuss the actual elements of breeding a litter





## Griffon Winners- Show Results

Griffons have been doing well in the ring over the past few months in NSW.

- **Ch Troubadour Pricklepants** has won 3 Best in Group and one Runner Up in Group award since August.

*Ch Troubadour Pricklepants*



- **Sup Ch**

**Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris** has won 2 Best in Group and a Runner Up In Show Award since the end of July.

*Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris*



- **Ch Tzani Tigger**  
**Brat Bunny** won a Best in Group in July a Runner Up in Group in October

*Ch Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny*



- **Shigriff Sexy and I Know It** has won two class in Groups and one class in Show since July and, not to be outdone, his litter sister **Shigriff Say My Name** has won the same – two Class in Groups and one class in show.

*Shigriff Sexy and I Know It and Shigriff Say My Name*



- **Raweke Toby**  
**Lannister** won Minor in Group at his first show in Queensland, catching up with his rough brothers in

Queensland who have also won several class in Group awards

*Raweke Toby Lannister*



- **Rosndae**

**Upper Crust** won Junior in Group at the Spring Fair and Runner Up in Group at Sydney Kennel Club

*Rosndae Upper Crust*





• **Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief** won Aust bred in Group on a cold wet night  
*Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief*

• **Ch Raweke Apple Cider** won Aust bred in Show at Hillsborough at the Spring International shows

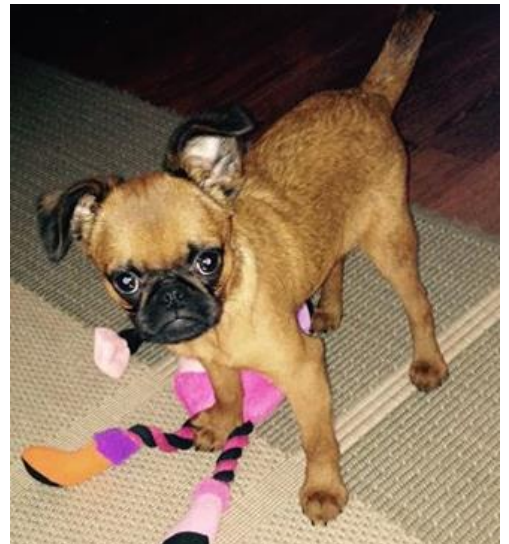
*Ch Raweke Apple Cider*



## Springtime Fun



*Lupin looking smart in his tie*



*Nellie has a new toy*



*Percy is full of the joy of Spring*

*Banjo wants to know why his mother did not take him to America with her*





## New titles in NSW

### Two New Grand Champions

Grand Ch Troubadour Pricklepants and Grand Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron.

Kerry and Emily Bell had reason to celebrate when their 2 Griffons gained their Grand Champion titles just two weeks apart.

**Gr Ch Troubadour Pricklepants** was bred by Sally Stewart in Victoria and is co owned by Sally and Diane Norman and prepared and handled by Kerry and Emily Bell.

He has had a fabulous year in 2015 and has won 3 Runner Up in Show, 5 Best in

Group and 3 Runner up in Group awards, including Specialty and All Breeds shows.



**Gr Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron** has made breed history by becoming the first Griffon bitch to become a Grand Champion in Australia.



Bred by Diana Norman and Tim Mills in Queensland, she is owned and campaigned by Kerry and Emily Bell.

I am sure that Kerry , Emily, Sally, Diana and Tim all celebrated the good news.

Congratulations to all involved.





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**New Champion-**

**Ch Raweke Toffee Truffle.**

Toffee was bred by Shane Thomas and is owned by Janelle

Tremenhere.

She gained her title in strong Sydney and Newcastle competition at 15 months of age.

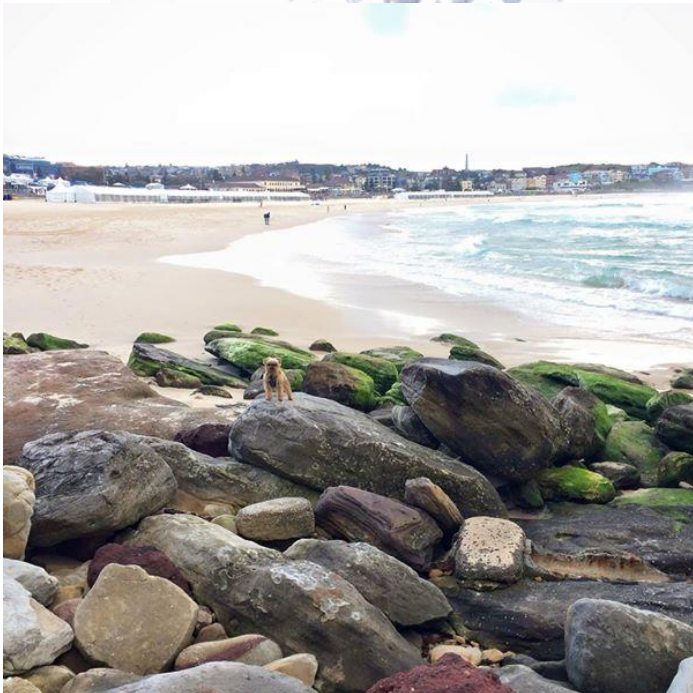
On her way to her title she won a reserve Bitch challenge at Brisbane Royal and a specialty Reserve Bitch CC as well as numerous class in show awards.



*Layla- just relaxing*



*Percy becomes a Producer*



*Spot the Griffon- Mr Gruff is master of his beach kingdom*

*Sandie Meads Griffons plan their break out*





## Dog Recipes

Thanks to Kerri Taylor for this recipe which her Griffons love

### Blueberry banana treats

#### Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup blueberries
- 1 small banana
- 1/2 cup milk lactose free
- 2/3 cup rolled oats
- 1 1/4 cup rye flour can use whole meal or msg free



#### Instructions:



- 1) Preheat oven to 400° F
- 2) Peel and slice the banana.
- 3) Place the banana, blueberries and milk in a blender. Blend until smooth.
- 4) Pour into a medium bowl



- 5) Add rolled oats and rye flour.



- 6) Stir until thoroughly combined.



- 7) Drop rounded balls onto a greased cookie sheet (I used a 1" cookie dropper).



- 8) Bake for 16 minutes. They will be crispy and browned on the outside.



**Yield:** Using a 1" cookie dropper, I was able to bake 20 cookies. You could easily increase the quantity by using a

smaller dropper, or rolling into smaller balls.

**Storage:** Since these dog treats use fruit, they will not last as long as other treats. I would recommend one week in a dog treat jar, 2 to 3 weeks in the refrigerator and 2 months in the freezer. Look over our [tips on storing your homemade dog treats](#) for more information.



## Point Score Competition

### 2015-2016 Point Score Competition

Things to note:

The point score commenced on August 30<sup>th</sup> with the Spring Fair show- Sunday

The Armidale Kennel Club Show have invited Jocelyn Croad to judge and this show will be the point score show.

The usual Best of Breed bottle of wine with the club logo will be provided for each point score Best of Breed winner. The Armidale show will also have a special sash for the Best of Breed winner. We look forward to a strong competition of Griffons once more.

### Point Score Show dates for 2015-2016

Put them in your diary

30 August 2015	20 September 2015	18 October 2015	14th November 2015	12 December 2015	18-19 January 2016	8-9 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2016	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2016	15 <sup>th</sup> June 2016
Spring Fair Sunday Orchard Hills Sydney	Hunter kennel Club Hillsborough <b>Newcastle Area</b>	Southern Highlands Berrima <b>Southern Area</b>	Childrens Cancer Welfare Service Show Orchard Hills Sydney	NSW Ladies Kennel Club Castle Hill Sydney <b>XMAS SHOW</b>	CNCC show (Date TBA) Hillsborough <b>Newcastle Area</b>	Armidale Kennel Club Date TBA <b>Northern Area</b>	(TBA) Camden Show Society (Date TBA) <b>Southern Area</b>	County of Cumberland  Orchard hills <b>Sydney</b>	Brisbane Water Legacy Show Morisset or Hillsborough <b>Newcastle Area</b>

### Current Point Score results

The point score competition has begun and three shows have been held; The Spring Fair, Hunter Kennel Club and Southern Highlands.

To date there is no one dog dominating and shows have all shown mixed results,, indicating the quality of the Griffons being shown- I love a good competition – makes it all so much more fun!!

### Show One : Spring Fair.



This show saw Terri and Grant Odell's girl, Midnight – **Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief**, win the Bitch Challenge and Best of Breed.



Terri with Midnight

Dog, Challenge and Runner Up Best of Breed was awarded to Ros and Dave Finch's boy, Archie, **Rosndae Upper Crust**, who also then went on to win Junior in Group.

Ros with Archie



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The Reserve Challenges at this show went to Jane Wistuba with her boy, **Ch Raweke Apple Cider** and her girl, **Ch Paris Starry Starry Night**.

*Res Dog CC- Ch Raweke Apple Cider*



*Res Bitch CC- Ch Paris Starry Starry Night*



### Show Two- Hunter Kennel Club

This show saw **Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald** take the Best of Breed and Dog well.

*Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald*

Runner Up Best of Breed went to the Reserve Dog Challenge winner- **Supreme Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris**.

*Supreme Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris*



Challenge and he then went on to win Australian Bred in Group as well.

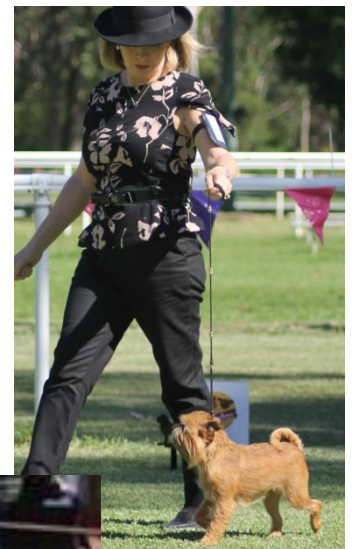


The Bitch Challenge was again **Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief**

*Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief*

And Reserve Bitch Challenge was **Ch Balliol Gertie Giggles**.

*Ch Balliol Gertie Giggles*



The other winner on the day was **Raweke Toby Lannister** who won Minor Puppy IN Group



*Raweke Toby Lannister*







### Show Three – Southern Highlands

The Southern Highlands drew a good entry but there were a few absentees as the Toy Dog of the year competition had been held the night before and several members had a late night and didn't make it to the show.



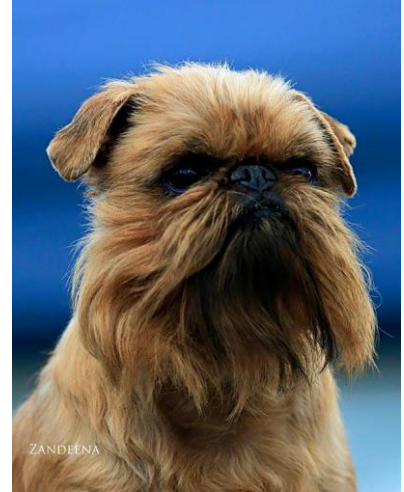
It was a triumphant show for Kerry and Emily Bell and saw them taking out 3 of the four main awards . **Ch Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny - BOB**

Best of Breed was awarded to the Dog CC winner, Ch Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny

Runner up Best of Breed and Bitch CC was his younger sister, Tzani Winter Wabbit

**Rup BOB -Tzani Winter Wabbit**

Reserve Dog CC went to Gr Ch Troubadour Pricklepants **Gr Ch Troubadour Pricklepants**



Reserve Bitch CC was Ch Paris Starry Starry Night

**Ch Paris Starry Starry Night**

The very mixed results at each pointscore have competition thus far vying for the top spot each other.



made for a very interesting with a number of dogs all within a couple of points of

The top five placings after three shows are;

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|---|--|
| 1. Rosndae Upper Crust  | - 18 points.—also leading Puppy pointscore |
| 2. Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief                                       | - 16 points                                |
| 3. (equal) Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald<br>Raweke Toby Lannister | - 15points                                 |
| 4. (equal) Ch Paris Starry Starry Night<br>Ch Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny | - 15 points                                |
| 5. Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris                         | - 10 points                                |
|   | - 10 points.                               |
|   | - 8 points                                 |

### Puppies enjoying the Spring sunshine





## Notice of AGM



### The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Agenda

Annual General Meeting 2015  
3pm 6<sup>th</sup> December 2015  
Kirkham

**Meeting Commenced:**

**In Attendance:**

**Apologies**

**Presidents Report:**

**Secretary's Report:**

**Treasurer's Report:**

All positions to stand down.  
Independent Chair to take over  
Election of Positions

Position	Person Nominated	Nominated by	Seconded
President			
Vice President			
Secretary			
Treasurer			
Committee			
Publicity Officer			
Rescue Co-Ordinator			
Social Secretary			
Committee Member			
Committee Member			
Committee Member			
Show Committee			
Show Manager			

Any other Business

NOTE: Written nominations must be in with the Secretary one week before the AGM- 30<sup>th</sup> November



## Griffon Buyer Register

Because of the amount of interest in Griffons and the number of people who would like to have a Griffon join their family, our club has now established a Griffon Buyer Register which will help people obtain a Griffon, either a puppy or an older dog.

This rules and requirement of this register and the forms to be completed can be seen on our club website at the link

<http://oz.dogs.net.au/griffons/puppy-registar.asp>.

A form is also at the end of this newsletter for breeders and buyers.

We are a very large club and most of the Griffon breeders in NSW are members of our club. We also have members who are breeders in Victoria, Queensland and New Zealand.

Our members also all follow a Code of Ethics and do all they can to breed healthy well socialised

Griffons so that you have the best chance of getting a healthy and happy new family member

If you are interested in getting a Griffon please look at our register and complete the forms

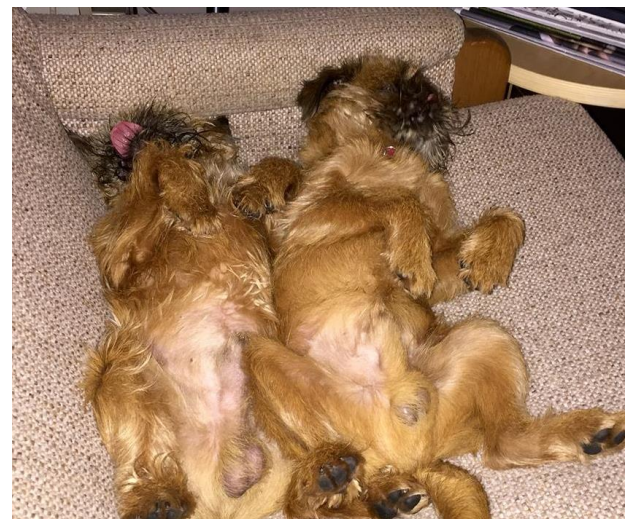
which can be downloaded there and we will do everything we can to help you get your new Griffon friend and companion

We are very pleased to say that we have so far assisted a number of members to get a new Griffon family member



*Teebo looking smart in his bandana.*

*And when not modelling fashion Teebo likes to let it all hang loose with his best friend Alfie*





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## Membership Application/ Renewal Form

(Please send this membership application to The Secretary J Tremenheere 10 Allendale St Pelaw Main with a cheque for membership)

OR you may do a direct bank transfer to

The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW. BSB - 012-559 (ANZ) Acc.No- 3890-43729

As reference please put your last name and the word "membership"




I wish to join / renew membership of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc

DATE of APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_

Name/s:	
Address:	
Phone	Mobile:
I am a member of Dogs NSW - Yes / No (circle one)	Dogs NSW Number (if applicable):
I am a - Breeder / Exhibitor / Obedience, Rally, DWD or Agility Competitor / Pet Owner of a Griffon Bruxellois . (Circle the one/s which apply to you)	
Name of breeder who bred your Griffons:	
Breeder Prefix:	Number of Griffons Owned
Names of Griffons:	
I wish to join this association because: <i>(only new members)</i>	
Membership Fee: \$5.00 <b>per person</b> . I enclose my / our fee of .....for annual membership <i>(Several names may be on the form but adjust the fee accordingly)</i>	
I agree to abide by the Rules, Regulations Codes of Ethics and Conduct of this club	
Signed:	



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