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PBGV wins BIS at Crufts 2013

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Cover photo. Jilly (Eng Ch Soletrader Peek a Boo) the PBGV owned and bred by Gavin & Sarah Robinson wins BIS at Crufts – the largest dog show in the world

Some photos by Jo from the Royal





From the Editor

Such a lot has happened since the last newsletter that it has been hard to keep up with it all.

Crufts has been and gone and as we all know it was especially exciting to see a PBGV got all the way through to BIS. A fabulous achievement for a breed that is not all that common.

Sydney Royal has also been and gone and the entries in both breeds were the biggest seen. The judge Mrs Muller from Switzerland wasn't originally scheduled to

judge the BGV's but specifically requested them as she had an interest in the breeds.

She judged very much to type and seemed to enjoy her experience.

The Club held a meeting after judging and final decisions were made about the show for 2014 which will be held in conjunction with the Spring Fair. (More details in the newsletter). The show in 2014 has also been planned and it will take place in conjunction with Sydney Royal which was the time most members indicated that they preferred when they were polled.

We hope to get a good entry for both of these shows.

Thanks to Jo Meadows our club now has a Facebook page called The Basset Griffon Vendéen Club. This is a closed group for members only but is available for all members to post photos, show brags and general information. As we are all so scattered it is hoped that this will aid communication. uer

Membership fees are now due and we need all members to pay as soon as possible. We are not a rich club and we need this support from members.

On the topic of fund raising – we have a beautiful print of PBGV heads that has been donated by Beryl Hession. This raffle will be drawn at our next show and we need members to either buy or try to sell tickets for this. Please contact the secretary or treasurer for tickets. (More information in the newsletter)



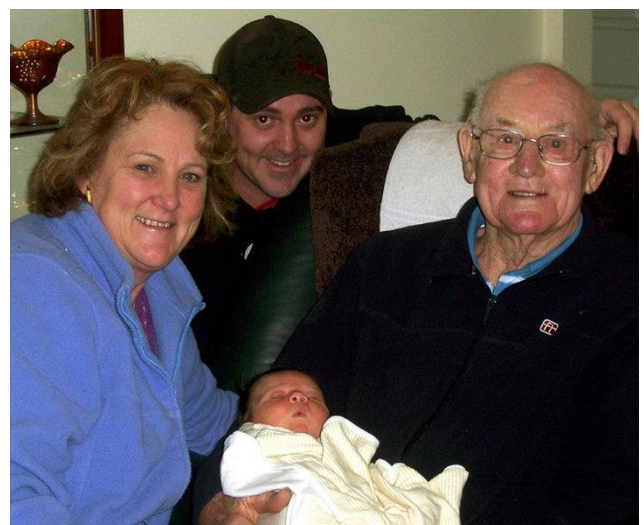
Condolences

Our deepest sympathy goes to Robyn Wallis who lost her father just before Sydney Royal. Although he had been battling cancer for some time his death was unexpected at the time.

Robyn bravely soldiered on and attended the Royal but I know she was feeling his loss deeply. Hopefully the success of her breeding was in some way a consolation for her sadness.

Our sincere condolences Robyn .

4 generations with Robyn and her father, her son and grandson





Vendeen Views and News

Congratulations to **N.Z. GRD Ch/Sup CH. ROKEENA GARCON REVEUR** owned by MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS & MS R HAY & MRS S MARSHALL who won Best in Group - Fourth at the Sydney Royal this year. This follows his win of Runner up in Show at Melbourne Royal last year. Handled by Shellie Marshall, he showed with his usual irrepressible personality and won many hearts.



Congratulations also to **Jacky Harnett and Quincy "Ch Rickaby Bound For Glory"** who won Best in Group at Boonah on Friday 17th May under Mrs A Everson. These results go with the 12 in Group and 2 in Show awards he has also won this year

Overseas both Grands and Petits have also been doing well in the big rings – and not just at Crufts.

At the International Europasiieger show in Dortmund May 12th 2013, with over over 5000 dogs entered, 2 of Gwen

Huikeshoven's dogs went Best in Show and Runner Up in Show.

This would be a very rare occurrence to see both a Grand and a Petit take the 2 big awards at a major show

Best in Show went to the 18 months old PBGV **Apple van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes** under Mr. Deschuymere from Belgium and Runner Up IN Show went to the the GBGV **Fido Dido van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes** under Mr. Dupas from France.

Apple van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes





Fido Dido van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes

And the latest news from the World Dog Show held at Budapest 18th May 2013.

In the Grands Fido Dido van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes was the world winner and Best of Breed. Hocus Pocus van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes was the Junior World Winner and BOB Junior.

Hocus Pocus van Tum-Tum's Vriendjes



In Petits **Soletrader Bjorn Borg** was World Winner and Best of Breed and Bubblegum van Tum-

Tum's Vriendjes was world winner



The judge was Mr. Laurent Pichard from the world famous Very Vigie American cockers!!!

Multi Ch Soletrader Bjorn Borg



Bubblegum van Tum-Tum's Vriendje

Ch Soletrader Bjorn Borg has been having a very international career. Bred in the UK by Gavin & Sarah Robertson he was sent to Canada where he quickly gained his Canadian and American titles. He has now joined the show team of Gwen Huikeshoven in Holland to be shown and used at stud.



Robyn Wallis was recently visited by Linda Lewis –well known PBGV breeder and author from the UK. Linda’s latest claim to fame is that she judged the PBGV’s at Crufts this year and it was she who sent Jilly through on her way to the BIS.

Robyn had a litter of PBGV puppies and it is not every day that you get the Cruft’s judge to help with the puppy grading

Emily Marshall has now got a PBGV of her own to show - Tango –Rokeena Last Tango in Paris is showing her mother how to do it by winning one Baby in Group and 2 Baby in Show awards since starting.



Another litter of PBGV’s has also been doing well in the Baby & Minor classes. The **Bondestin Litter** (Sup Ch Ebbtide Fitzroy Fred x Ch Bondestin Seen is Believin) bred by Amanda Cooney & Caryn West has 4

puppies in the top 4 of the DOL Rising star. They are Bondestin Right On The Kisser who has won 10 In Group awards and 3 in Show awards, Bondestin Dont Talk Just Kiss, owned by Chris Lawrence who has 4 in Show and 4 in Group awards, Bondestin Im To Sexy, with 6 in Group and 1 in Show award and last but not least, Bondestin The Wizard co owned with Ainslie Carius, who has 5 in Groups and 1 in Show.



Bondestin Right On The Kisser



Some of the Grands have not been too far behind either with their show results and Darryl and Debbie Matthews must be pleased with the results some of their young stock is achieving. As well as Rickaby Bound for Glory's results listed earlier, Rickaby Break O Day has won 3 in Group awards, Rickaby Bohemia has won 2 in Group awards, Rickaby Dare to Dream, has won 2 in Group awards for Jackie Hartnett and Rickaby Cruise has started a show career with Baby in Show at the Hunter Valley Hound Club.

At the start of May the Bulla Autumn Extravaganza was held – 3 days of showing with an international panel of judges. Congratulations to **Emily Marshall** winner of the Senior age class who then won Best Overall Junior Handler - Congratulations

Face Book Page

Thanks to Jo Meadows the club now has its own Face Book page. If you are a member of

Face Book all you need to do is to go to Basset Griffon Vendeen Club of NSW to find it.

It is a closed group and is restricted to club members only.

All members are welcome to contribute with comments, photos, opinions etc.

As our club has members that are so far and wide apart it is a good way for everyone to keep in touch together.

Some of the extra photos from Sydney Royal in this newsletter have been taken by Jo and are on the Face book page along with others

Rarer Basset Breed Club Victoria

The first club for the breeds was The Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen Club of Victoria, formed about 7 years ago. Sadly due to lack of support this club did not grow as required and although still in existence is no longer active.

Lately however there have been negotiations between this club and owners of the other Rarer Basset Breeds – the Grand and the Basset Fauve de Bretagne and in the near future it is hoped that the club will become The Rarer Basset Breeds Club of Victoria.

The Basset Griffon Vendeen Club of NSW

Meeting held at Sydney Royal

25/3/13

Meeting opened at 1:45pm

Present: Robert Lauder, Yvonne Lauder, Jo Meadows, Michelle Parker Brien, Janelle Tremenheere, Beryl Hession, Robyn Williams, Jackie Knowles, Kirsty Knowles, Debbie Matthews, Robyn Wallis, Claire Parker.

Apologies: Jane Quinn, Darrell Matthews, Jo Hession.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Moved M Parker Brien, Seconded R Lauder – Motion Carried.

Business arising from minutes: R Williams stated that she was unable to join the Show Committee for personal reasons. B Hession said that she felt J Hession would also be too busy. R Lauder and J Meadows volunteered to take their places. They were nominated by R Wallis, seconded by J Tremenheere- Motion Carried. The show committee now consists of: R Lauder, Y Lauder, J Meadows and C Parker.

B Hession stated that she felt it was taking too long for the minutes to be distributed. This was agreed upon by the meeting. B Hession moved that the minutes of the meeting be sent out to all members within 14 days. Seconded by D Matthews- Motion Carried.

R Wallis stated the importance of all club members putting personal differences aside and working together for the good of the club. She suggested that it may help to elect an Assistant Secretary to ease the work load for C Parker. J Knowles volunteered for this position and was nominated by R Wallis, seconded M Parker Brien – Motion Carried

Treasurers Report: J Tremenheere reported that we currently have a balance of \$1232.50. Moved J Meadows, seconded M Parker Brien. Motion Carried.

2013 Show: C Parker reported that she was having trouble getting an answer from Dogs NSW and The Spring Fair Committee on whether or not we would be able to hold the show, but was ready to move on a number of organizational matters when she received approval.

B Hession offered to provide further contact details of Marilyn Parker, The Spring Fair Committee Chairperson for C Parker to follow up on this matter.

R Wallis volunteered to donate \$100 towards the running of the 2013 Show.

Y Lauder will provide a sponsorship sheet for the prizes as agreed at the last meeting. This will be distributed once we have permission to hold the Show.

2014 Show: C Parker reported that she had Contracted G Nyman for the evening of Good Friday.

M Parker Brien moved that she hire a ring a Castle Hill Show Grounds from 6 pm on that evening. Seconded R Williams. Motion carried.

C Parker reported that as per the minutes of the previous meeting, she had contacted Dogs NSW to query the possibility of having Mr H Busk judge sweepstakes and property classes at our show. They have approved Mr Busk to judge these classes as long as he does not award Challenge Certificates.

M Parker Brien moved that C Parker contact Mr Busk and invite him to judge these classes at the 2014 Show. Seconded R Wallis. Motion Carried

The Show Committee will meet to assist in the organisation of the 2013 and 2014 Shows.

International Health Committee: C Parker reported that we were now a member of this committee and was liaising with Gavin Robertson The English Basset Griffon Vendeen Club on what further action needed to be taken.

R Wallis reported an update on health following her visited the International Basset Griffon Vendeen Symposium, she stated that Epilepsy and Glaucoma were still the most major problems in the breed. She will

write a document on what she learnt from the symposium and present it to M Parker Brien for inclusion in the Newsletter.

C Parker moved that as a club we should support and recommend health and eye testing and a note stating this be included in every newsletter. Seconded R Wallis. Motion Carried.

Y Lauder stated that she had been in discussion with Eye Specialist Dr B Robertson who would be working with Professor Bedford towards eye research in BGV's. She stated that it may be possible for the club to hold an eye clinic in the near future which she would be willing to organize. This was agreed to be a good idea.

R Wallis moved that the club open a separate Health Fund account, so we would have separate funds available to support research. Seconded Y Lauder. Motion Carried

Fundraising: C Parker Reported that J Meadows had agreed to take on the role of Fundraising Co-ordinator as agreed at the last meeting. She and J Meadows would be working on the clubs next fundraising activity, a Best in Show Sweep at the County of Cumberland Show.

J Tremenheere stated that \$100 in membership fees had come in. She moved that a list of Non-Financial Members be included in the next newsletter. Seconded D Matthews. Motion Carried.

Other Business: New members: Shellie Marshall nominated by R Wallis and H Stanford nominated by D Matthews. Seconded by R Lauder. Motion Carried.

R Wallis moved that the club have a Facebook page which J Meadows has volunteered to organise. Seconded J Tremenheere. Motion Carried.

R Wallis reported that there would be a Rarer Basset extravaganza held in Victoria May 2014. There will be 3 overseas Specialist Judges to enter under in 3 shows.

M Parker Brien invited all members to send in information for the newsletter, as it will be completed soon.

Meeting closed 3pm

Some more photos by Jo from the Royal





The Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of NSW

2nd Championship Show

Date: Thursday 29th August 2013

Venue: The Bill Spillstead Complex Luddenham Rd Erskine Park

Judge : To Be Advised

This show will be held in conjunction with the Spring Fair and a judge from the Spring Fair will be allocated to the judge the show.

Classes to be judged: Baby, Minor, Puppy, Junior, Intermediate, Australian Bred, Open, Veteran and Neuter.

Veteran class will compete for Challenge

Judging commences – 2pm.

Entries: \$15 for first entry including catalogue. \$10 for subsequent entries

Enquiries to The Show Secretary Claire Parker
lafoliepbgv@yahoo.com.au



Jillys Jolly Jaunt

Jilly, Ch Soletrader Peek a Boo, is not only beautiful but she is fit and healthy as well and she is out to prove it – all in a good cause

In June, Gavin Robertson, Jilly (Crufts Best in Show winner - CH Soletrader Peek a Boo) and friends will be walking approx 130 miles from the NEC in Birmingham to Great Ormond Street Hospital in



London to raise money for both GOSH, DogLost charities and The KC Charitable Trust.

Currently the route looks to take place mainly along the Grand Canal route but may be subject to change whilst details are finalised.

Holiday Inn have confirmed they are giving Gavin, Amelia and Paul, the support vehicle driver and Charley, the photographer accommodation for each night of the walk.

As well as raising funds for important charities the organisers hope to use this as a method of promoting healthy, happy dogs whilst showcasing some of the more vulnerable breeds and High Profile breeds.

Jilly's Jolly Jaunt has its own Facebook page and

you can find it and all the details on Facebook. All donations are welcome. The walk will start at the NEC on Monday 10th June 2013.



Sydney Royal Results

GRAND BASSET GRIFFON VENDEEN

Judge : Mrs B Mueller (Switzerland)

CLASS: 5 - Intermediate Dog

- 1 CH. DEBUCHER XPORT QUALITY (IMP UK) -MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS DUBBO NSW 2830

CLASS: 11 - Open Dog

- 1 UK. CH. CH. WILMIT BRACONNIER DE DEBUCHER - MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS & V PHILLIPS DUBBO NSW 2830
- 2 CH. DEBUCHER MILORD (IMP UK) -MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS DUBBO NSW 2830



Challenge - Winner / Runner Up BOB UK. CH. CH. WILMIT BRACONNIER DE DEBUCHER

Reserve Challenge Dog - CH. DEBUCHER MILORD (IMP UK))

CLASS: 3A - Puppy Bitch

- 1 RICKABY BREAK O DAY - MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS DUBBO NSW 2830
- 2 RICKABY BELLA DONNA - MRS H STANFORD MUDGEES NSW 2850
- 3 RICKABY BOHEMIA - MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS DUBBO NSW 2830

CLASS: 5A - Intermediate Bitch

- 1 CH. DEBUCHER WALTZER (IMP UK) MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS DUBBO NSW 2830

Best of Breed & Bitch Challenge Winner
CH. DEBUCHER WALTZER (IMP UK) MR D
MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS DUBBO
NSW 2830

Reserve Bitch Challenge RICKABY BREAK O
DAY - MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D
MATTHEWS DUBBO NSW 2830

Best Puppy of Breed RICKABY BREAK O DAY
- MR D MATTHEWS & MRS D MATTHEWS
DUBBO NSW 2830



PETIT BASSET GRIFFON VENDEEN



CLASS: 3 - Puppy Dog

1 ROKEENA LUV EM AN LEAVE EM -MRS
R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS GISBORNE VIC 3437

CLASS: 4 - Junior Dog

1 JIMAB MR BRITESIDE -MR B KNOWLES &
MRS J KNOWLES PITT TOWN NSW 2756



2 LEANR PB BILLY THE KID -MRS R WILLIAMS & MR
L WILLIAMS AGNES BANKS NSW 2753

CLASS: 5 - Intermediate Dog

1 CH. ROKEENA MAN AFTER MIDNIGHT - MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS RIVERSTONE NSW 2765

CLASS: 10 - Australian Bred Dog

1 CH. LAFOLIE VERY VALENTINO -MR R LAUDER & MRS L SHAW & MISS C PARKER & MRS Y LAUDER RIVERSTONE NSW 2765



CLASS: 11 - Open Dog

1 N.Z. GRD. CH. CH. ROKEENA GARCON REVEUR- MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS & MS R HAY & MRS S MARSHALL GISBORNE VIC 3437



2 GRAND. CH. ROKEENA ESPRIT NATUREL -MISS C PARKER & MR R WALLIS & MRS R WALLIS CHARLESTOWN NSW 2290



3 SUP.CH. ROKEENA VERSAILLES -MS J HESSION & MRS B HESSION ANNANGROVE NSW 2156

Best of Breed & Challenge Dog & Group 4th N.Z. GRD. CH. CH. ROKEENA GARCON REVEUR -MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS & MS R HAY & MRS S MARSHALL

Runner Up Best of Breed & Reserve Challenge Dog CH. ROKEENA MAN AFTER MIDNIGHT- MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS RIVERSTONE NSW 2765

CLASS: 3A - Puppy Bitch

1 ROKEENA ONCE UPON A TIME(AI) MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS GISBORNE VIC 3437



WALLIS RIVERSTONE NSW 2765

CLASS: 4A - Junior Bitch

1 LEANR PB INIS AROSE -MRS R WILLIAMS & MR L WILLIAMS AGNES BANKS NSW 2753



2 ROKEENA ADDICTED TO LOVE -MRS R WALLIS & MR R



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2 CH. JIMAB LOVE ME DO -MR B KNOWLES & MRS J KNOWLES PITT TOWN NSW 2756

CLASS: 5A - Intermediate Bitch



1 CH. ROKEENA KISSES OF FIRE -MRS R WALLIS & MR R WALLIS GISBORNE VIC 3437

CLASS: 10A - Australian Bred Bitch

1 CH ROKEENA PETITE YVETTE -MRS J TREMENHEERE & MISS C PARKER PELAW MAIN NSW 2327

Bitch Challenge CH. ROKEENA KISSES OF FIRE –

Bitch Challenge Runner Up ROKEENA PETITE YVETTE



Best Puppy of Breed - ROKEENA LUV EM AN LEAVE EM



Raffle



This beautiful print, donated by Beryl Hession is the prize for our raffle.

The raffle will be drawn at our Championship show on the 29th August 2013 .

Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 and can be either bought at the Championship Show or obtained from our Fundraising Co-ordinator- Jo Meadows

Jo can be contacted on meadowsjo@hotmail.com

We are only a small club with limited funds so we need all our members support for this raffle as it is one of the main ways we have of raising money

Health Issues

Our club is now a member of the **International Health Committee** and our secretary Claire Parker has been liaising with Gavin Robertson from the The English Basset Griffon Vendeen Club on what further action needs to be taken.

For a small club we are honoured to be a part of the ongoing research into the health issues of the breeds and as the breed is still quite small in this country we have a wonderful opportunity to ensure that the Grands and Petits that we breed are as healthy as possible.

It has been known for quite some time that there are inherited health problems and in the most comprehensive book ***Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen – A Definitive Study***, by Valerie Link and Linda Skerrit , published 1999, they listed the following as health issues that were known to occur:

- PPMs - Persistent Pupillary Membrane
- Retinal folds/retinal Dysplasia
- Cataracts
- Glaucoma
- Lens Luxation
- Hip Dysplasia
- Patella luxation
- Epilepsy
- Hydrocephalus
- Aseptic meningitis/juvenile pain syndrome
- Hypothyroidism
- Pulmonic stenosis
- Anasarca
- Hernias.

While these health issues were listed for the PBGV, there is no reason to assume that the GBGV is free of problems as both breeds come from common root stock and any hereditary characteristics will affect both breeds.

Within PBGV's in Australia the following are already known to have occurred- -Epilepsy, patella luxation, blindness (from various forms but principally glaucoma) and PPMs (which is a minor problem compared to some of the other issues)

In November 2012 Robyn Wallis attended the International Basset Griffon Vendeen Symposium, held in the UK . This symposium is a regular bi annual event and it regularly include the top breeders of PBGV's from all around the world. Robyn stated that the information provided at the conference identified Epilepsy and Glaucoma as still the most serious problems in the breed.

She will write a detailed report on this conference for the next newsletter.

What is of extreme importance is that all breeders are honest about the health issues that they are aware of and share this information with other breeders. At the present there are no DNA tests that can be done on these problems so it is only by careful and thoughtful breeding that they will be able to be reduced, if not eliminated

It is essential that all breeding PBGV's should be Eye tested every year by an eye specialist to ensure that they are clear. It is not enough to test once in a lifetime as eyes can change and a dog that is clear one year may develop late onset symptoms later in life

To help with the eye testing Yvonne Lauder advised that she had been in discussion with Eye Specialist Dr B Robertson who would be working with Professor Bedford towards eye research in BGV's. She stated that it may be possible for the club to hold an eye clinic in the near future which she would be willing to organize. Yvonne will keep us updated about this but it is strongly recommend that all dogs that are going to be bred from are done..

The most recent meeting also decided that the club would open a separate Health Fund account, so we would have separate funds available to support research. To this end a n extra section has been included on the membership forms so that members can include a donation when they renew their membership.

Robyn and Bev's Trip to the International Basset Griffon Vendeen Symposium

The serious business of breeding healthy dogs was not the only thing that Robyn and Bev Tophill did when in the UK last November. She still had time to meet up with some of the best known names in the PBGV world and have some fun



Bev Tophill,
Helen &
Charlie
Ingher (
Charlens



PBGV's USA), Nick
Frost (Dehra USA,
Formerly UK) enjoying
Stratford on Avon



Gunner Nyman,(Chouan PBGV Denmark) Tayla Wright, Chris Stobbie, Amy Lee Trainor(Aust) Holgar Busk(Chouan PBGV Denmark)



The Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of NSW

Membership Application Form

Please complete this form for all new/renewal memberships and return to:

The Treasurer, 10 Allandale St, Pelaw Main, 2327

Single: \$20 Dual: \$25

Name/s:		Dogs NSW Membership No:
Address:		
Home Phone:	Mobile:	Email:
Prefix (if applicable):		Number of GBGV:
		Number PBGV:
<p>I/we would like to renew/join my/our membership to The Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of NSW</p> <p>please find attached the sum of \$.....</p> <p>I/we would also like to donate the sum of \$..... to The Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of NSW health account.</p> <p>I/We agree to abide by the Code of Conduct and ethics as set out in The Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of NSW rules and regulations.</p> <p>SignedSigned</p> <p>Date</p>		