

The Phoenix









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Your Club

Cover Scenes from the 2021 Championship shows

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The aims of the club are:

To promote the Griffon Bruxellois and Petit Brabancon breed.

To highlight the versatility of the breed as a loving and loyal pet, and a show and performance dog

- To promote good sportsmanship and good fellowship among members at all times
- To show respect and courtesy to all members in an atmosphere free of bullying and intimidation
- To support responsible and ethical breeding practices of Griffons
- To provide advice and support for Griffon owners
- To support and recommend testing of health issues relevant to Griffons based on genuine scientific research, both local and international.

To provide a rescue service for Griffons

To promote friendship and social activities among all Griffon owners

To educate Griffon owners about grooming, training and responsible ownership

To work in partnership with other responsible Griffon Bruxellois Clubs of Australia and internationally for the betterment of the breed



Griffon Puppy Spam

Lysanda's pups

Zsa Zsa and baby Zorro- cuddling up with my new big sister





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Snuggle Buggle Griffons



Mia and friends

Astro and friend

Missy Moo







Presidents Report



Life appears to be slowly returning to normal. Our club held a successful double Championship show in March and we have recently held our first Griffon Meet Up in Sydney.

The club point score is now well underway with three shows under our belt and Griffons and owners are out and about having fun once more. The Club intends to hold a stand at Dog Lovers Expo

this year and committee member, Tiffany Budini is

organising this. Future newsletters will give more details and later in the year, we will be asking for volunteers to help man the stand. Watch the club Face Book page, Griffons NSW for all information and updates.

Beware Scammers

As usual the club is busy promoting ethical breeders and advising and educating the public to protect them from unethical breeders. We have been made aware of an increasing number of scammers operating, targeting people who want a Griffon and taking advantage of them. We strongly advise people to avoid Gumtree because no ethical breeder advertises Griffons on Gumtree (they don't need to) and this is where most of the scams seem to be occurring. The scams range from selling non-existent Griffons, to offering free (non-existent) Griffons if you pay for transport only. There are also people breeding Pug cross Griffons and selling them as pure Griffons or selling them as a breed with a phoney name. These dogs are more expensive than a healthy well bred Griffon from an ethical breeder.

We were recently made aware of a person who lost \$3,000 after she paid a deposit for a non-existent Griffon.

Please contact the club for advice before you pay any money to anyone. The club is here to help and advise you in an impartial manner and if we don't know, we have plenty of contacts around Australia that we can check for you

Our Registrar and membership Secretary provides educational material to everyone who contacts us, even if they don't join the club so it will save heartache to get advice first



Editors Message

This issue is jampacked with information about the recent club Griffon shows plus information about the point score, the recent Griffon meet up and lots of other information.

A reminder that all information on club activities will be announced on the club's face book group Griffons NSW. If you are not a member and wish to join then you must answer all three questions properly and also agree to the rules. If you invite someone to join, they must also answer all the questions properly. People have a week to answer questions and if they don't then they are declined. This is to ensure

that the group remains a happy, friendly and supportive group and to keep out trolls, back yard breeders, puppy farmers and scammers

The club also has a Face Book page called The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW and this linked to the club Insta page of the same name. Like us on Instagram. I hope you enjoy the newsletter

Griffon Pyjama Party



The cooler autumn has brough out Griffons modelling their latest fashion PJ's

Eddie is not sure if blue check is really her colour

But Louis is loving his pj's





with doing the washing





Rita in her Bubble O Bill PJ's

Osha is pretty in furry pink piggy PJs's





Support Responsible Breeders





Griffon Corner

This is **Harvey** who was bred by **Terri and Grant Odell** and is owned by Ashley & Carly Powell. Ashley works for Moet and when Harvey was young the family moved to Korea for his work. Harvey has been living in Seoul the past couple of years. The family will be moving back to Australia soon and Harvey made the long journey ahead of them to ensure that he arrived safely. He had to fly from Korea via Abu Dhabi then to quarantine in

Melbourne. I am happy to say that he made the flight and quarantine successfully and is now happily living with his grandparents while waiting for his family to join him. The first photo is Harvey saying good bye to his



family and the second one is in his special harness for the flight in Abu Dhabi stopover.



Congratulations to our club Vice President, Ashleigh Barber and her partner, Tiffany Dale (also club Catering Officer), who have just announced their engagement

Tiffany was a cat person until she met Ashleigh, but the Griffons, especially Rita, have converted her.

Tiffany is also a very keen collector of cacti and succulents so they celebrated with a bespoke, handcrafted engagement ring



Club Raffle



This is the prize for the Griffon Club Raffle. Thank you very much to Terri and Grant Odell from **Pets on the Park** for their very generous donation.

The prize is a medium bed 70cm in length & can easily fit several Griffons at the same time. It is a pale lime colour & has a separate pillow for easy washing.

In addition to the extras included in the photo, Terri and Grant will also add a bottle of ProVida Flax Seed oil 500ml

You can still buy tickets by emailing or messaging Terri at <u>terri@petsonthepark.com.au</u> and she will send you a photo of your tickets.

Tickets are only \$2 each or 3 for \$5

To pay you can simply deposit the ticket money into the Club's bank account. *The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW. BSB - 012-559 (ANZ) Acc.No- 3890-43729*

Make sure you put your name and RAF on the deposit for identification.

The Raffle will be drawn at the next Point score show – Nor West Club at Castle Hill on 19th June Good luck everyone

Membership Renewals are Due by June 30th 2021



Membership Application/ Renewal Form

(Please send this membership application to The Assistant Secretary – Sharyn Wood Sharynwood54@gmail.com

and 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/RENEWAL

Name/s:				
Address:				
Phone	Mobile:			
Email Address:				
I am a member of Dogs NSW -	Dogs NSW Number			
Yes / No (circle one)	(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:(only new members)				
Membership Fee: \$10.00 <i>per person</i> . I enclose my / our fee offor annual membership (Several names may be on the form but adjust the fee accordingly)				
I agree to abide by the Rules, Regulations, Codes of Ethics and Conduct of this club				
Signed:				

The 2021 Championship Shows

2020 saw the last-minute cancellation of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW double championship shows, just a few weeks out, due to the Covid outbreak.

2021 was more fortunate and the championship shows were successfully held on 27th March, despite torrential rain and state wide flooding the week prior.

The trophy table was outstanding and there was generous sponsorship from Black Hawk

The shows were a memorial for Mr Edward Croad who had died at the end of 2019. He was a respected international All breeds Judge and breeder and the husband of Mrs Jocelyn Croad of the respected Raweke Griffon kennels. Luckily the state borders had opened and Jocelyn Croad was able to fly down from Queensland to be a guest of honour at the



shows and to present the Edward Croad Memorial Trophy to the winner of the Gold Show. The shows always open with a Parade of Golden Oldies, open to any Griffon 10 years and over to celebrate our wonderful older Griffons. A number of the oldies were top winners in their youth and they enjoy the outing and strutting around the ring once again



Golden Oldies with Ms Anu Lummevaara- (L to R) Mavis and Henry, both 14 yrs, Dumbledore 10yrs, Dolly 12 yrs, Ludwig 11yrs and Gertie 10yrs

THE PARTY

The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.

It was also good to welcome, trainee judges and a number of visitors who came along with their family and Griffons to meet the breeders and to see the exhibits strut their stuff in the ring.



Greg Egan came down from Kempsey to watch the judging, despite having had his entire property under water from the floods only a few days earlier.

Our club has always prided itself on being a friendly club and it was gratifying to have a number of people tell committee members how much they enjoyed the show and how friendly, welcoming and supportive everyone was to visitors.

Of course, a successful show would not happen without the work of the committee behind the scenes. Some people are hoping to buy a Griffon in the near future and they were able to meet the dogs and get to know their Griffonny personalities, even though the show is always a bit of a mad rush.

Because of Covid restrictions we were not able to have our usual social gathering and champagne buffet lunch but I think that most people were able to have a relaxed time enjoying the show and the dogs.

Our visiting guest of honour, Jocelyn Croad, watching the judging carefully



I would like to thank all the committee members and helpers who gave up their time to ensure that the show ran smoothly.

Our hardworking Trophy Manager, Sarah Petty McGuirk, who arrived at 8 am from Sydney to set up all the trophies.

Our committee members, Jane Wistuba and Sharyn Wood who arrived at 7.30 am from Sydney to help set up the rings.

Terri and Grant Odell who also made the early drive from Sydney with the display items for the Trophy display and also very generously donated the raffle

prize and sold tickets.

The Secretary and Vice President, Jannelle Tremenheere and Ashleigh Barber, along with Adam Tremeheere, who were also there at 7.30 to get the rings set up and the canteen organised.

Our catering officer, Tiffany Dale, who prepared the food and fed the judges.

Thanks also to Jillian Mathieson and Bernadette Bull who assisted in the set up and the take down which is often the harder job

And last but not least, our Treasurer, Matt O'Sullivan and Show Secretary Claire Parker O'Sullivan who did all the prior cataloguing, and organisation plus a full day at the show despite Claire having given birth in the lead up to the shows and having three week old Jemima at her very first show. Our club is very fortunate to have such dedicated and hard-

working committee and executive members. Thank you to all





Reserve in Show and Dog Challenge and also Best Veteran in Show was **Supreme Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris**, at 9 years of age. He is owned by Ashleigh Barber and Michelle Parker Brien and handled by Ashleigh

The Silver Show

The Golden Oldies Parade was followed by the Silver show, judged by Ms Anu Lummevaara.

Her Best in Show and Bitch Challenge and also Intermediate in Show was awarded to **Ch Tzani Giggle McDimples,** owned by Kerry and Robert Bell and handled by Emily Bell





Reserve Bitch Challenge and also Best Bred by Exhibitor in Show was **Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke**, owned and handled by Michelle Parker Brien

Reserve Dog Challenge was Supreme Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac, owned by Kerry and

Robert Bell and handled by Emily Bell









Best Baby Puppy in Show was **Balliol Poppy Pomphrey**, owned and handled by Michelle Parker Brien

Baby Puppy bitches- Nagpuni Quarter Past Midnight and Balliol Poppy Pomphrey during judging.

The was no Opposite Baby Puppy

Minor Puppy in Show was Beaufox Beatrice de la Tulipe. It was the first show for her and for her owner Morag Craigen, ably assisted by breeder Jane Wistuba. Despite having difficulty keeping four feet on the ground, she had a great time in the ring There was no opposite Minor Puppy





Puppy in Show was **Balliol Octavia Owl**, handled by another first time exhibitor, Bernadette Bull, at her very first dog show.

Opposite Puppy in Show was Lochtay Carbon Copy owned by Kerry and Robert Bell and handled by Emily Bell





Best Intermediate in Show was the Best in Show winner, Ch Tzani Giggle McDimples

Best Junior in Show was **Nevafollo Mischief Managed**, owned and handled by Ashleigh Barber

There was no Opposite Junior





Opposite Intermediate in Show was **Balliol Nichols de Nimsey-** Jillian Mathieson and Michelle Parker Brien

Best Australian Bred in Show was **Ch Balliol Kaptain Krum** owned by Claire Parker O'Sullivan, who also had her 3 week old baby Jemima cheering from the sideines









Best Bred by Exhibitor in Show was the Reserve Bitch challenge, Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke

Opposite Australian Bred in Show was the only black and tan Griffon entered in the show, **Nevaending Dark Fortune**, owned by Jannelle Tremenheere and Ashleigh Barber





Opposite Bred by Exhibitor was Ch Beaufox Comte de la

Fere, owned by Sharyn Wood and Jane Wistuba

Best Open in Show was Ch Los Chatos Del Norte All Of Me Owned by Ven Grasso





Opposite Open in Show was **Supreme Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac** owned by Kerry and Robert Bell and handled by Emily Bell

Best Veteran in Show was **Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris,** owned by Ashleigh Barber and Michelle Parker Brien





Best Opposite Veteran in Show was **Ch Balliol Jinny Juniper,** owned by Michelle Parker Brien and Ashleigh Barber and handled by Ashleigh

Best Neuter in Show was Neuter Ch Kango Lady Ma Donna, owned by Marousa Polias

Neuter Dog Challenge was Neuter Ch Griffonsberg

General Sherman owned by Sharyn Wood



Runner Up Neuter in Show was **Ch Balliol** Impish Incantation owned by Michelle Parker Brien



Some photos from the Silver Show



Henry checking out the crowds in Golden Oldies

Ch Raweke Toby Lannister in Open Dog





Nagpuni Quarter Past Midnight in Baby Puppy Bitch class

Ch Beaufox M Du Vallon in Aust bred dog class



Grant , being a responsible dog owner





Nevafollo Mischief Managed in Junior bitch



Balliol Norberta Niffler in Intermediate bitch class

Balliol Octavia Owl having fun in the ring in the Puppy bitch class





The Gold Show

The Gold Show judge was Mr John Sheppard, who has over 40 year's experience with Griffons as well as being an international All breeds Judge The Show was won by Ch Los Chatos del Norte Rasta Man (imp Esp), owned by Ven Grasso, who also braved the flooded roads to drive down from Queensland.

Best in Show at the Gold Show, Ch Los Chato del Norte Rasta Man, being presented with the Edward Croad Memorial Trophy with Mrs Jocelyn Croad and judge John Sheppard



Reserve in Show, from the Veteran Class was **Supreme Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris (i**mp NZ) owned by Michelle Parker Brien and Ashleigh Barber and handled, as always, by Ashleigh. At 9 years of age he came out of retirement to show the youngsters how it is done

Supreme Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris with Ashleigh Barber and Judge John Sheppard

Bitch Challenge, Best Opposite in Show and Best Bred by Exhibitor was **Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke**, owned by Michelle Parker Brien.

Keeping it in the family, Tilly happens to be a grand daughter of the Reserve in Show, Supreme Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris.

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Best Baby Puppy in Show was **Balliol Poppy Pomphrey,** owned by Michelle Parker Brien, the daughter of the Bitch Challenge winner and the great grand daughter of the Reserve in Show winner

Reserve Bitch Challenge was **Nagpuni Midnight in the Oasis** owned by Nichola McLean and Terri Odell and handled by Nichola McLean





There was no Opposite Baby Puppy

Best Minor Puppy in Show was **Beaufox Beatrice de la Tulipe,** owned by Morag Craigen and Jane Wistuba. Young Tiggy found shows so exciting that she didn't know how to walk. When she finally settled into a show gait in the Bitch challenge line up she received a rousing cheer from everyone, including the other exhibitors in the Challenge line up There was no opposite Minor Puppy.

Best Puppy in Show was **Balliol Octavia Owl** owned by Bernadette Bull and Michelle Parker Brien and handled by Bernadette. Another first time exhibitor, Boots got the gaiting bit right but thought that the table was there to tap dance on. Still, it was great to see new exhibitor and their pups having fun at the show



Best Opposite Puppy in Show was **Lochtay Carbon Copy**, owned by Kerry and Robert Bell and handled by Emily Bell





Best Junior in Show was **Nagpuni Passion for Pickles,** owned by Danielle Osbornanother first time exhibitor. There was no Opposite Junior

Best Intermediate in Show was **Ch Nagpuni Ginger Spice** owned by Terri Odell





Best Opposite Intermediate was **Balliol Nicholas de Nimsey** owned by Jillian Mathieson and Michelle Parker Brien and handled by Jillian





Best Australian Bred in Show was **Ch Balliol Kaptain Krum**, owned by Claire Parker O'Sullivan

Best Opposite Australian Bred was **Nagpuni Midnight in the Oasis**, owned by Nichola McLean and Terri Odell and handled by Nichola





Best Bred by Exhibitor was **Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke,** owned by Michelle Parker Brien

Best Opposite Bred by Exhibitor was **Ch Beaufox Comte del la Fere**, owned by Sharyn Wood & Jane Wistuba







Best Open in Show and Best Opposite Open in Show- Ch Los Chatos del Norte Rasta Man and Ch Los Chatos del Norte All of Me, both owned by Ven Grasso

Best Veteran in Show was **Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris**, owned by Ashleigh Barber & Michelle Parker Brien and handled by Ashleigh





Best Opposite Veteran in Show was **Ch Balliol Jinny** Juniper, owned by Ashleigh Barber & Michelle Parker

Brien and handled by Ashleigh

Best Neuter in Show was **Neuter Ch Bonzabull Squirrel Nutkin,** owned by Claire Parker O'Sullivan and handled by Matt O'Sullivan





Runner Up Neuter in Show was **Neuter Ch Kango** Lady Ma Donna owned by Marousa Polias



Specialty Classes



Best Rough Head was won by Nagpuni Passion for Pickles-Dannielle Osborn Also Best Rough Coat

Best Smooth Head was won by Nagpuni Midnight in the Oasis-Nichola McLean & Terri Odell



Best Smooth coat was Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke- Michelle Parker Brien



Best Top line and Tail set was **Ch Nagpuni Ginger Spice**- Terri Odell

Best Gait was Ch Nagpuni in the Midnight Hour- Terri Odell

Best Parent and offspring was Ch Balliol Kaptain Krum – Claire

Parker O'Sullivan, his Offspring – Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke, Balliol Octavia Owl, Nagpuni Passion for Pickles

Best Brace was Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks at Raweke and Balliol Norberta Niffler





Best Breeders Team in Show was the Nagpuni Griffons of Terri and Grant Odell The team consisted of Ch Nagpuni In the Midnight Hour, Ch Nagpuni Ginger Spice, Nagpuni Midnight at the Oasis, and Nagpuni Passion for Pickles

Photos from the Show



Some Golden oldie photos-Jannelle with Dumbledore, Jillian with Mavis and Bernadette and Dave with Ludwig and Gertie



Part of the Bitch Challenge line up







Griffon visitor enjoying the fun

Leaping puppy- not quite what the judge wanted to see







Judging the Dog Challenge

Some Photos from the Gold Show

Trainee Toy Group judges watching the show and getting some tips from the judge between classes



Best in Show winner CH Los Chatos Del Norte Rasta Man



Reserve in Show winner Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris



Nagpuni Passion for Pickles in Junior bitch

Balliol Nicholas de Nimsey on the table



Ch Beaufox M Du Vallon





Judges Critique from the Gold Show – Judge Mr John Sheppard

THE COUNTRY GRIFFON BRUXELLOIS CLUB OF NSW Inc. EDDIE CROAD MEMORIAL SHOW 27TH March, 2021.

I would like to thank exhibitors for an excellent entry, it is good to see that the breed is in good hands.

They are a cobby, well balanced, SQUARE, little dog.

Mouths have always been a problem, good width of muzzle is essential as is a good turn-up. Body with good bone, a firm level topline and correct tail set.

Temperaments were good even on those who were obviously very spoilt.

I wish you all continued success in the future with your breeding programs knowing how difficult the breed can be.

Class 3 Puppy Dog:

1st: LOCHTAY CARBON COPY, Red Rough, Larger type, lacking bone and body. Not cobby, lacked turnup. Age given incorrect according to catalogue.

Class 5 Intermediate Dog:

1st: BALLIOL NICHOLAS DE NIMSEY, Red rough, good type, more width of jaw required, hindquarters could be stronger. Good coat.

Class 10 Australia Bred Dog:

1st: CH.BALLIOL KAPTAIN KRUM, Red Smooth, good type and size. Would prefer a better turnup of face.

2nd: CH.BEAUFOX M DU VALLON, Red smooth, good size did not move as required

Class 11 Open Dog:

1st: LOS CHATOS DEL NORTE RASTA MAN, Red Rough, Good head and expression. Excellent breed type and balance, correct body, good coat and movement.

2nd: SUP.CH.TZANI ZAZU ZODIAK, Red Rough, good coat, would prefer him shorter in loin and with a smaller ear.

3rd: CH.RAWEKE TOBY LANNISTER, Red rough, overall good type but not the topline of 1 and 2.

Class 12 Veteran Dog 7 years and over:

1st. SUP.CH.CRICKLEWOOD NIGHT OF MAGIC IN PARIS (N.Z.) Red smooth of excellent breed type, good head and expression, good body and balance. Correct coat for a Smooth, excellent movement. 2nd.CH.RAWEKE TYWIN LANNISTER, Red Rough, of good type, good body, Topline could be better.

Challenge Dog: LOS CHATOS DEL NORTE RASTA MAN Res.Challenge Dog: SUP.CH.CRICKLEWOOD NIGHT OF MAGIC IN PARIS

Class 18 Open Neuter Dog

1ST NEUT CH GRIFFONSBERG GENERAL SHERMAN, red rough, taller dog, would prefer more body.

Class 1A Baby Puppy Bitch:

1st. BALLIOL POPPEY POMPHREY, Red Smooth, a very promising youngster with great attitude. Good balance and outline, one to watch in the future.

2nd.NAGPUNI QUARTER PAST MIDNIGHT, Red rough. Another promising youngster, topline needs to settle.



Class 2A Minor Puppy Bitch:

1ST.BEAUFOX BEATRICE DELA TULIPE, Red smooth, good body and temperament but she needs a little training.

Class 3A Puppy Bitch:

1ST BALLIOL OCTAVIA OWL, Red rough at that awkward age, she needs time to mature.

Class 4A Junior Bitch:

1ST. NAGPUNI PASSION FOR PICKLES, Red rough with a nice head and a good coat. 2nd. NEVAFOLLO MISCHIEF MANAGED, good type and balance but would prefer a firmer topline.

Class 5A Intermediate Bitch:

1ST. CH. NAGPUNI GINGER SPICE, Red smooth of excellent type with good body and bone, Correct coat, would prefer a smaller ear and a shorter body.

2nd. BALLIOL NORBERTA NIFFLER, Red smooth, needs to mature, I would prefer a smaller ear and more width of jaw.

3rd. CH TZANI GIGGLE MCDIMPLES, Red rough, well presented but topline not as good as 1 & 2.

Class 10A Australian Bred Bitch:

1st.NAGPUNI MIDNIGHT IN THE OASIS, Red smooth of good type with a cobby body. Correct coat, moved well.

2nd. NEVAENDING GOLDEN CHANTERELLE, Red smooth of good type with good body and bone. 3rd. NEVAENDING DARK FORTUNE, Black and tan with good marking, not the bone and body of 1 & 2.

Class 14A Bred by Exhibitor Bitch:

1st. CH BALLIOL TILLY TONKS OF RAWEKE, Red Smooth, excellent type, good head and expression, good structure, moved well, correct coat

Class 11A Open Bitch:

1st. LOS CHATOS DEL NORTE ALL OF ME (ESP)Red rough with a pleasing head, lacking arch of neck, carrying enough weight which spoilt her outline.

2nd. CH. NAGPUNI IN THE MIDNIGHT HOUR, Red rough of good overall type, well presented, moved well.

3rd. CH.BEAUFOX JEMIMA PUDDLEDUCK, Red rough , better grooming would improve her looks.

Class 12A Veteran Bitch 7 years and over:

1ST CH BALLIOL JINNY JUNIPER, Red smooth, good coat, well balanced and good proportions. Holding age well

2ND CH NOUVEAU DEMONSTRANCE, red rough, correct hard coat, excellent head, good style of dog but did not show to her advantage

CHALLENGE BITCH: CH.BALLIOL TILLY TONKS OF RAWEKE RES.CHALLENGE BITCH: NAGPUNI MIDNIGHT IN THE OASIS

Class 18A Open Neuter Bitch

1ST NEUT CH BONZABULL SQUIRREL NUTKIN, red smooth, some frosting, good type, well bodied, moved freely.

2ND NEUT CH KANGO LADY MA DONNA, red rough, excellent coat, well presented, good head and expression. Would prefer more body and lay of shoulder



3RD CH BALLIOL IMPISH INCANTATION, red smooth, good coat and topline, would prefer more substance and turnup. **NEUTER IN SHOW: NEUT CH BONZABULL SQUIRREL NUTKIN**

RESERVE NEUTER IN SHOW: NEUT CH KANGO LADY MA DONNA

Those Griffon Expressions!!



It's my rose

Nancy



Alfie And Percy

Jean Claude



RUDDY LOVE New Puppy Owners

Congratulations to these proud new Griffon owners. They are always worth the wait



Nathan and Haley - proud new owners of Georgiana, who we will hopefully see in the show ring soon

Baby Alice has joined Boy George and Mel





Ritchie is now proudly owned by Adriana



Chris and Sophie with new puppy, Flynn

Baby Maple joined Karen







Jimmy, discovered a brand new very big sister when he joined Karen and her family

Marousa welcomed baby Zorro to join big sister Zsa Zsa

Rishi was happy to welcome Jean





Claude to the family



Remy Rose joined Rebecca and Marcus

Congratulations on your new family members; these Griffons from ethical breeders, will give years of love and devotion to you. In these times of scammers I will remind everyone that the club is

always available to advise people about breeders. Before you send any money, please email me at <u>mbrienparker@yahoo.com</u> or the Secretary, Jannelle Tremenheere at <u>nevaending@hotmail.com</u>. We offer independent and impartial advice and have contacts in all states where we can confirm information

Salleigh & Nathan with Gomez



Sydney Royal Easter Show

After cancellation in 2020, the Sydney Royal went ahead in 2021 with a number of Covid restrictions in place. Both crowds and entries were restricted and social distancing was in place in the benching area, with the public unable to enter. In addition, some exhibitors were allowed to leave at 12 noon, making it a shorter day

The benching area 2021- lots of room for a change



Because of health concerns and crowds a number of exhibitors did not enter and the Griffon entry was 11 (2 dogs / 9 bitches), in contrast to the 2019 entry of 34 Griffons. Although the numbers were down, the quality was there and the Griffons all strutted their stuff and looked impressive. It was a very successful day for the Lochtay team of rough coat Griffons, under judge Michael Carmac from Victoria



Kerry and Emily Bell with their Royal winning team- Brax, Sup Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac, Breeze, Ch Tzani Giggle Mc Dimples and Bosley, Lochtay Carbon Copy



The full results were as follows; **GRIFFON BRUXELLOIS** CLASS: 3 - Griffon Bruxellois - Puppy Dog MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580 1st 103 LOCHTAY CARBON COPY (2100545780) CLASS: 11 - Griffon Bruxellois - Open Dog 104 MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580SUP.CH. TZANI ZAZU ZODIAK 1st (2100440541)Griffon Bruxellois - Dog – Challenge Winner 1st 104 MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580 SUP.CH. TZANI ZAZU ZODIAK (2100440541) **Griffon Bruxellois - Dog - Reserve Challenge** MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580 103

LOCHTAY CARBON COPY (2100545780)

CLASS: 1A - Griffon Bruxellois - Baby Puppy Bitch

1st 105 MRS T ODELL GLENHAVEN NSW 2156 NAGPUNI QUARTER PAST MIDNIGHT (2100551502)

CLASS: 5A - Griffon Bruxellois - Intermediate Bitch

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CLASS: 10A - Griffon Bruxellois - Australian Bred Bitch

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CLASS: 11A - Griffon Bruxellois - Open Bitch

1st 109 MRS T ODELL GLENHAVEN NSW 2156 CH. NAGPUNI IN THE MIDNIGHT HOUR (2100466712)

Griffon Bruxellois -

Bitch - Challenge 106 MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580 CH. TZANI GIGGLE MCDIMPLES (2100521338)

Griffon Bruxellois -Bitch - Reserve Challenge 107 MRS T ODELL GLENHAVEN NSW 2156 CH. NAGPUNI GINGER SPICE (2100512135)



Reserve Bitch Challenge – Ginger, Ch Nagpuni Ginger Spice with Terri Odell



Griffon Bruxellois - Best of Breed

104 MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580 SUP.CH. TZANI ZAZU ZODIAK (2100440541)

Griffon Bruxellois – Runner up Best of Breed 106 MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW 2580 CH. TZANI GIGGLE MCDIMPLES (2100521338)

Griffon Bruxellois - Best Baby Puppy of Breed 105 MRS T ODELL GLENHAVEN NSW 2156 NAGPUNI QUARTER PAST MIDNIGHT (2100551502)

Griffon Bruxellois - Best Puppy of Breed

103 MR R J BELL & MRS K BELL GOULBURN NSW2580LOCHTAY CARBON COPY (2100545780)



Baby Puppy of Breed, Nagpuni Quarter Past Midnight - Terri Odell

CLASS: 12A - Griffon Bruxellois - Neuter Bitch

1st 110 MRS POLIAS BANKSIA NSW 2216

NEUT. CH. KANGO LADY MA DONNA (3100369551)

Griffon Bruxellois-Neuter Bitch -Challenge

110 MRS POLIAS BANKSIA NSW 2216 NEUT. CH. KANGO LADY MA DONNA (3100369551)

Griffon Bruxellois -Best Neuter of Breed 110 MRS POLIAS BANKSIA NSW 2216 NEUT. CH. KANGO LADY MA DONNA

(3100369551)

Best Neuter of Breed-Neuter Ch Kango Lady Ma Donna, posing here with ribbons from the CGBC of NSW show



Griffon Meet Up -Sydney



The first Sydney Griffon meet up since Covid hit, took place in May at Black Wattle Bay.

A good turn up showed that people were keen to get out and have fun with the Griffons. Thanks to Tom Gregory and Leearne Hill for organising it. The next meet up is in July so put the date in your diary



Blackwattle Bay Park

Sydney Affen & Griff Meet Up

Bellevue Cottage

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Sunday 18th July 2021 @ 3pm Blackwattle Bay Park Up on the grass next to Bellevue Cottage. 55 Leichhardt St, Glebe

Dog Lovers 2021





Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

Stand Number: 902

The Griffon Bruxellois is a breed of toy dog, named for their city of origin: Brussels, Belgium. Another date to put in your diary...... The 2021 Sydney Dog Lovers Show kicking off in a little over 3 months (SO EXCITED!).

Our Griffon Club has a breed stand and soon we will be asking for volunteers to help man the stand. Each person and their Griffons/s will do half a day each so the dogs don't tire from all the attention

Our breed stand is 902

If you want to bring your family as visitors, you can find all the information you need on the website <u>https://dogloversshow.com.au/sydney/</u>

Keep an eye on the club FB group, Griffons NSW for further updates

Some of the crowds around the Griffon Club stand in previous years





2021 Point Score

The point score competition is back for 2021. Ten shows, distributed in Sydney, Southern area and Hunter area, from March to November, averaging one show per month.

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	Nowra &	Flat Face Toy		Southern		Brisbane
	District	Dog	& Tibetan	Hi	ighlands	Water Legacy
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	Southern	Syd	ney	Sc	outhern	Hunter

Breakdown – 10 shows 4 shows in Sydney region 3 shows in Hunter region 3 shows in Southern region

Point Score

Competition

Rules and Scoring System

1. Points will be awarded to exhibits at designated point score shows of the Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

Points will be awarded in the following manner:

Best in Show AB	50 points
Runner Up in Show AB	40 points
Class in Show AB	30 points
Best in Group	25 points
Runner Up in Group	20 points
Class in Group	15 points
Best of Breed	10 points
Runner up in Breed	8 points
Challenge (without BOB or Runner up)	6 points
Reserve Challenge (without BOB or Runner up)	5 points
First in Class	3 points
Second in Class	2 points
Third in class	1 point
Specialty Shows count as groups	Neuter in Group counts as a class in Group

2. Points will be awarded to the exhibit will be highest result gained by an exhibit. They will not be accumulative at a single show.

3. The total points gained by each exhibit will be added together and published in The Phoenix

4. The competition will be open to all exhibits including those in Baby Puppy

5. Recognition will be given to the Winner of the Point Score and the Runner Up in the Point Score.

6. Only club members are eligible. Should a non-member win. the points won by the member will be awarded only. Eg if a non-member wins BOB and a member wins Runner Up BOB then no BOB points will be awarded and the member will be awarded the points for Runner Up BOB

7. Neuter BOB and CC has the same value as entire BOB or CC
Puppy Point Score Competition

This competition is open to Puppies from 3 months of age up to the age of 18 months. Points will be awarded in the same way as the Open Point score competition. Puppies may compete in the Open Point score competition and the Puppy Competition simultaneously

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 Puppies will compete in this until they reach the age of 18 months. All points accumulated up to the age of 18 months will be counted towards the point score. All points gained after the age of 18 months will not be counted in the Puppy Point Score but will go towards the Open Point Score
 A separate recognition will be given for the best Puppy in the Point score and the Runner up.
 If 2 puppies achieve equal results at a show the award will go to the Griffon that defeats the most dogs in its class. Eg- if there are 2 baby puppies and 3 Junior then the award will go to the Junior winner as it defeated more dogs. If the results are still equal then both will be acknowledged.

At the time of publication, the club has held three point score shows, one in each of the designated areas, Sydney, Hunter and Southern

First Point Score Show -March 7th 2021-Hillsborough

The first point score show was in the Hunter region at Lake District Canine Club and it was a day for the smooths.

Best of Breed and Bitch CC was **Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke** – Michelle Parker Brien





Runner Up Best of Breed and Reserve Bitch CC was **Balliol Norberta Niffler** – Michelle Parker Brien

Dog CC was Ch Raweke Toby Lannister-Jannelle Tremenheere and Shane Thomas



Reserve Dog CC was Balliol Nicholas de Nimsey- Jillian Mathieson & Michelle Parker Brien

Best of Breed Neuter and Neuter Bitch was **Neuter Ch Kango** Lady Ma Donna-Marousa Polias



Second Point Score Show -April 3rd 2021- Orchard Hills.

The second point score show was the Flat Face Toy Club show held over the Easter period. This time it was the turn of the rough coats to dominate

Best of Breed, Dog CC and Reserve in Show was **Sup Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac** – Kerry, Robert and Emily Bell



Runner up Best of Breed and Bitch CC was Ch Tzani Giggle Mc Dimples-Kerry, Robert and

Emily Bell

Reserve Dog CC was Lochtay Carbon Copy-Kerry, Robert and Emily Bell

Reserve Bitch CC was Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks of Raweke- Michelle Parker Brien

Best of Breed Neuter and Neuter Bitch was Neuter Ch Kango Lady Ma Donna- Marousa Polias





Third Point Score Show -May 1st 2021- Albion Park

The third point score show saw a repeat of the second in placings. Sadly, numbers were down and there was only one entire bitch entered but I thank the two exhibitors who supported the club by attending. Despite the low entry the quality was still there.

Best of Breed and Dog CC was again, Sup Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac - Kerry, Robert and Emily Bell





Runner up Best of Breed and Bitch CC was **Ch Tzani Giggle Mc Dimples**- Kerry, Robert and Emily Bell

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Reserve Dog CC was Lochtay Carbon Copy-Kerry, Robert and Emily Bell

Best of Breed Neuter





and Neuter Bitch was **Neuter Ch Kango Lady Ma Donna**-Marousa Polias

And Marousa's new baby, Zorro or Krusayd Griffon Don Diago, made his show debut in baby puppy



After three shows the results are as follows

Open Point Score

Neut. Ch. Kango Lady Ma Donna 30 1. Sup Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac 30 1 3 Ch Tzani Giggle Mc Dimples 16 Ch Balliol Tilly Tonks Of Raweke 4 15 Balliol Norberta Niffler 5 10 5 Lochtay Carbon Copy 10

Puppy Point Score

1 Lochtay Carbon Copy

10

6

3

2

- 2 Balliol Poppy Pomphrey
- 3 Krusayd Griffon Don Diego
- 4. Nagpuni Quarter Past Midnight

The Next Point Score show will be on 19/06/2021- Norwest Canine Association Castle Hill. It has not yet been advertised and should be in the June Journal

Notice of General Meeting



AGENDA The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW General Meeting June 19th 2021 Time: Lunchbreak or after judging- 12 noon approx

In Attendance: Apologies:

Treasurers Report: Secretary- Minutes of Previous meeting Business Arising Outgoing Correspondence: Incoming Correspondence: New members: to be voted on GENERAL BUSINESS

Donations from 4 Ps Club June 2020

• Show Committee Report Trophies 2022 Report on 2021 shows Selection of judges for 2022

Events

Report on Last Griffon Get Together Report on proceedings for Dog Lovers Organisation Future events

• Griffon Buyer Register and Membership Report

- Point score updates and review
- Raffle report and draw
- General Business

Any Other Business



Is this where the meeting is ?



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Happy Birthday to You!!!

We have had a lot of Griffon birthdays since the last newsletter. Happy Birthday to all

Gizmo turned 10 yrs

Ludwig turned 11 yrs



Dolly turned 12 yrs

Wizz turned 7 yrs

Rita turned 2 yrs

Bowski turned 4yrs

Bowski's litter brothers, Porthos and George, were also 4 and got a brand new leads and harness





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Edwina and her brother Cornelius turned 3





The three sisters, Bunny, Betty and Lola turned 4 yrs

Grommet turned 7 years





Muggle turned 7 yrs









Show News

Congratulations to Ros and Dave Finch and Millie, Rosndae Little Black Dress, who won Best Neuter in group and Reserve Neuter in Show at Albion Park Kennel Club show



always expertly handled by Emily



Congratulations to Kerry, Robert and Emily Bell for the continued success enjoyed by Brax, Sup Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac.

Since February he has won two Runner up In Group, One Best in Group and two Runner Up in Show

awards. A very impressive haul. Beautifully presented and





Lady Ma Donna, who has won four Runner Up Neuter in Group awards since February

Congratulations to Jillian Mathieson and Balliol Nicholas de Nimsey, who was Intermediate in group at the Autumn Spectacular in Newcastle

Congratulations

to Balliol Poppy Pomphrey and Claire Parker OSullivan who won Baby in Group at the Autumn Spectacular







Huge congratulations to Terri Odell and Bunny, **Ch. Nagpuni In the**

Midnight Hour. Bunny added a Rally Novice title to her name when she scored 90/100 in the Metropolitan Mid-Week trial.

She placed 5th in a very large entry. Terri said "she would have placed third if her handler hadn't mucked it up." Terri is an experienced trainer and has a number of Griffons who have gained both Rally and Obedience titles.

She is now known as **Ch. Nagpuni In the Midnight Hour RN**





Kenzie, owned by Kelly Pilgrim Byrne, is just beginning her obedience training and she graduated from Level 1 Obedience with Dogs United Training Academy

How can I get involved in Obedience

Obedience training is fun for Griffons and always worthwhile. Rally Obedience is a fun way to trial, combining obedience with various low impact obstacles and commands.

Formal obedience has a variety for exercise without obstacle although when they reach higher levels they retrieve and jump. The complexity of the tasks increases as they progress to higher levels. Griffons are highly intelligent and love the mental stimulation. People often just want to run their dogs when they have excess energy but in many cases training can be more effective. Training your Griffon creates a closer bond with you and your dog, increases the dog's confidence, stops it getting bored and yappy, uses energy in a positive way and reduces the chances of separation anxiety and a stressed dog.

It also teaches you as the owner how to manage your dog and read its body language accurately, making you a more effective owner

There are many obedience clubs in NSW run by Dogs NSW on a voluntary and low cost basis. Information about them can be found on the Dogs NSW website at



https://www.dogsnsw.org.au/clubs/find-a-club/

These clubs also offer training in obedience and agility. Other activities open to Griffons include Fly Ball, Trick training, Dancing with Dogs and Free style Heeling to Music and Nose work

Health

What do quality Breeders do??

There is a world of difference between a quality breeder and a puppy producer.

A puppy producer just mates any two dogs together that will produce pups. The pups could look like any dog and even if the same breed they may not be recognisable Griffons.

Poorly bred Griffons from puppy producers could be very large or very small, they could have skinny spindly bodies, weak feeble legs, flat feet or pointy ears. The puppy producer doesn't care. They just want to produce pups to sell and make an income.

The quality breeder cares about the dogs they breed and they don't just mate their girls to the most convenient male. They do what they can to breed healthy typical dogs.

In order to have healthy, well bred dogs, you need to have knowledgeable breeders who know exactly what they are doing, who have the skills to read and understand pedigrees, who have a good knowledge of the breed standard and who care about the breed and take pride in breeding high quality, typical, true to type Griffons.

The people who benefit from these knowledgeable breeders are the people who buy the puppies because they reap the benefits of the years of study and knowledge of the breeders.

I have heard people say- "But I only want a pet- I don't want a show dog"

Yes you do want a pet - but don't you want a pet that is healthy and looks and behaves like a Griffon?

If you did not want a Griffon you could buy any number of cross breed dogs from pounds and rescues.

If you have made up your mind that you want the unique personality and appearance of a Griffon, then you have the right to expect that the puppy you buy will look like a Griffon.

It will be the size of a Griffon (3.2-5kg) It will have the looks of a Griffon and most of all it will have the loving, cheeky Griffon personality. Good breeders take all of this into consideration.

I have heard puppy producers say that as long as the pups are healthy that is all that matters. You can get a healthy crossbreed dog but that doesn't make it a Griffon.

For a quality breeder, a healthy puppy is only the starting point, it is not the final point. All quality breeders automatically assume the pups will be healthy and they plan the breeding in such a way that it is 'a given'. The personality, size, breed type, coat, etc is all part of the additional layers of consideration on top of the healthy.

The first article discusses the importance of the Brood Bitch to a serious breeder of quality dogs. Even though it refers to Basenjis it is of significance to all breeders and it explains how you assess bitches and what you look for.

Because the article refers to the importance of understanding a pedigree the second article looks at how to read and understand a pedigree

The Value of the Brood Bitch

WRITTEN BY DR. BRAXTON B. SAWYER THE BASENJI - JUNE 1980

The Reverend Dr Sawyer of Arkansas was a long time breeder and American KC judge. He was widely known for his study of genetics. He was well known for his Foxhounds which were raised in his large kennel. This article reflects raising dogs within a kennel situation but also offers insights for those with just a few dogs.

Most articles set forth the facts, rather than draw conclusions. That is the way I usually write; but for this article on the VALUE OF THE BROOD BITCH in a breeding kennel, I am turning things around, so to speak. I shall first give my conclusions and then give the reasons for these conclusions. These conclusions are very deep and positive since they represent my experience in breeding seventeen different breeds to championships over a period of more than forty years as well as a thorough study of genetics.

Also, during these years, I have served as a consultant planning the breeding programs for about as many litters for my friends as I have for myself. Careful and detailed records have been kept both of my own litters and of those I have observed.

From this study and experience, my conclusions are:

The success of every dog-breeding kennel centers primarily in the selection of the proper brood bitch. The foundation of all things must be strong and free from faults or the structure upon which we build will crumble.

A single producing bitch may be, and has been, more often than not, the very cornerstone of a successful strain of any breed.

No kennel is stronger than its brood bitches regardless of how many big name stud dogs they boast.

Why do I think your brood bitch is so important to your breeding kennel? What has been my experience with all kinds of brood bitches? Why do I think more careful research should be given in selecting your brood bitch than your stud dog? The length of this article precludes giving all the answers, but here are some. Your BROOD BITCH IS A FIXTURE OF THE STRAIN. The bitch contributes one of the two haploid sets of chromosomes which determine every zygote; and at this point, she (genetically speaking) contributes exactly one



half. The stud dog is through with the puppies at the break of the 'tie', but the bitch is not. Her overall health and skin condition can affect the puppies.

Her diet will affect the puppies – so will her parasites, her food, her general care; but most of all, her TYPE and TEMPERAMENT.

My experience tells me overwhelmingly that what we call 'breed-type' is more dependent upon the brood bitch than the stud dog.

Above, I mentioned that I had kept seventeen different breeds; and for the past ten years, I have kept every catalogue of every show and have checked and kept detailed breeding records of all the great winners of all breeds over the past ten years.

These records have corroborated and confirmed my kennel breeding records and conclusions. The one over-all fault I have observed with the majority (not all) of the top winning males of all breeds is that they have not been "dripping with breed-type". "Breed type" is a must with me for any breed. To breed the average bitch and add a large number of top winning stud dogs in the columns of your pedigree is to get farther away from 'breed-type' in your puppies. My records show that it has been great brood bitches that have come through and saved what little 'breed-type' we have left in some breeds.

My records, my study and my experience tell me LOUD and CLEAR that the temperament of the puppies is more dependent upon the bitch than the stud dog. Oh yes, I realize that temperament is a genetic as well as environmental problem, but God deliver me, and may he deliver you, from ever breeding any more wild, crazy bitches.



The temperament of the bitch while she is carrying the puppies affects the puppies. Her temperament while she nurses them greatly affects them. Her temperament in a run next to them for the first three to four months of their lives just about fixes them for life.

If your breed is one you actually hunt in the field, the habits your puppies learn from their mother in the field stay with them for life. Temperament is getting to be a problem in all breeds. It can be reduced more than one half if we recognize it for what it is – a brood bitch problem.

Brood bitches are hidden from the public more than stud dogs. That helps the temperament problem leak in through the brood bitch.

Selecting a real top producing brood bitch is much more difficult than selecting a top producing stud.

The main reason being that the brood bitch is capable of producing a much smaller number of offspring than is the stud. The largest number of puppies I ever got from one brood bitch was fifty. I kept records on one stud dog that produced over 1000 puppies. Suppose he did produce sixty champions and she produced two? That is not the test. When I select a brood bitch for my kennels, this is how I go about it. I want a good full sized specimen of the breed. I want good rich colour and perfect colour pattern of the breed. Her whole conformation must be without SERIOUS fault.

You don't find absolute perfection, but not one SERIOUS conformation fault will I tolerate in a brood bitch. Her eyes must have proper colour. Her mouth and bite must be perfect. She need not be a top winner or a littermate to a top winner. Neither must her pedigree be full of unfamiliar dogs. She must be a good, free eater.

These are the things I demand of the individual. Then, when I have found this individual that improcess makes much I look "under the back



individual that impresses me so much, I look "under the hood."

First, I want to see her **pedigree**. One's ability to read and interpret a pedigree from a breeder's viewpoint is absolutely essential. The word "pedigree" comes from a word that means literally "crane's foot".

This is due to the resemblance of the long, spreading toes of the crane. The term "family tree" expresses the idea which I have in mind somewhat better. I want to analyze her "family tree". I am not counting the number of big name stud dogs. I am studying her genetic "gene bank". Space will not permit that here. Too many breeders, when reading the pedigree of a brood bitch, only see a "crane's foot" with several big name stud dogs hanging on the toes.

In a five generation pedigree, I find sixty two individual dogs. Thirty one of them are stud dogs and thirty one are brood bitches.

Those thirty one brood bitches are, genetically speaking, one half of the "gene bank" of the

particular dog, but they could constitute too many bad genes in making up their mathematical one half. This study is more difficult than the research on the stud dog because the brood bitch does not have the number of offspring as does the stud dog from which to study. Her pedigree must show that she comes from great producing families, not just a scattering of big names. The big names could have been made big with pen and ink and an advertising agent instead of actual performance. Now, if she, as an individual, stands the test; that is if her

pedigree is satisfactory, then I look for her progeny. What has she produced?

When I find this ideal specimen, with an ideal pedigree, and with a top producing record, I next



check my "borrowing power" with my banker. Let's go a little further here. There is more than meets the eye.

I know a friend; and against all my advice, he paid \$5,000 for a big name stud dog. He then bought five bitches for \$100 each and started a breeding program. Five years later, including his initial cost of his stud dog and brood bitches, feed, veterinary bills, travel expenses, entry fees, advertising, etc., he had spent \$25,000, excluding time, work and worry.

All he had produced was a kennel full of culls. Now, he has "retired" and has joined the "judge cussing" club. I understand that he is making more progress at this than producing great dogs. In fact, he is president of the club.

I have another friend who took my advice and paid \$2,000 for a brood bitch and \$200 for stud fees to a stud dog that would have cost him \$10,000 if he had bought him. Five years later, this man has produced three litters of top, top specimens of his breed.

His total expense has been around \$10,000. He is happy and an inspiration to be around. That is not all – he has orders for puppies during 1980 that will repay his capital investment. But that is still not all – the best is yet to come.

This person has experienced the greatest thrill that can come to man in his association with dogs. Man can get a lot of pleasure from "possessing" a dog. He can get a lot of pleasure from

"campaigning" a dog, but the greatest thrill of all is the satisfaction that he has been able to create. This person has been, and is, a sculptor of living flesh.

The joy in the dog game for the breeder is the satisfactions of seeing his scientific efforts succeed. Why don't you go out and get yourself a top, top brood bitch and start all over again. Just because you started wrong one time doesn't mean you must continue in that old bumpy rut. If you wait too long, you will probably wind up being a member of the above mentioned club.

It is my honest conviction that if we are ever to improve our breed-type and temperament, we must start ruthlessly culling in the brood bitch pen, not just sitting in the seat of the scornful.

The following article is by Andrew Brace, one of the UK's most influential and experienced All Breed judges

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PEDIGREE Andrew Brace

I recently read several Facebook posts from experienced and successful breeders in various breeds who were bemoaning the decline of their breeds, placing much of the blame on a new generation of breeders who either lack knowledge or whose prime incentive is commercial gain. Once again it is pertinent to point out the



importance of the pedigree – the family tree of all our dogs.

Three generations of Smooth Griffons

If a "breeder's" main reason for breeding is making money we have to accept from the start that they feel no responsibility to the breed, its health and welfare or maintaining its Breed Standard. Such people will never consider their lack of knowledge an impediment because they feel no obligation to the breed. They will always be a thorn in the side of the dedicated breeder who is constantly aiming to improve their stock as in the eyes of the puppy-buying public (who seldom carry out sufficient research) a puppy is a puppy. To them they are probably more influenced by the price tag than by the level of careful planning (or not) that has gone into producing a puppy that will share their life for more than ten years. They won't be worrying about health tests or in-breeding coefficients; they want a puppy that looks like the breed they've chosen at an affordable price. (Intriguingly it seems that during the pandemic reputable breeders have maintained their prices whilst those churning out litters with no real thought have hiked up their prices to an alarming degree, taking advantage of increased demand.)

Those breeders who think breeding a winner is simply a matter of mating a winning bitch to a winning dog are another matter. They fail to realise the value and implications of the pedigree and do not understand what a valuable breeding tool this is. They are the kind of breeder that sees a dog winning in the ring – regardless of the integrity of its breed type – and rush off to use it, regardless of the compatibility of their bitch's pedigree, expecting that they too will then produce a winner of equal standing.

However, you need to be able to READ a pedigree and this is where the truly great breeders score. The pedigree form supplies a lot of valuable information - provided the reader has researched the dogs who appear in it. They will study a pedigree (of at least five generations) and - if they don't

know all the dogs in it personally – they'll research them through either seeking out photographs or simply by asking the older breeders who are still around exactly where these dogs scored and failed. Of course, it would be fair to say that not all the old breeders are capable of totally impartial recall. I know many who see their own dogs through rose-tinted spectacles and those of their competitors with a somewhat critical eye, but through talking to a cross-section of breeders who were around at the time it is possible to develop a fairly accurate idea of any dog from the past. In this way they build up a comprehensive picture of their dogs' ancestry.

They will over a period of time be able to assess what faults and virtues lie behind their breeding stock and establish which dogs were responsible for producing them. They will analyse the level of line-breeding and consequently determine which dogs have the greatest influence on their own. With this information they will be in a position to decide which dogs can be doubled up on when a



mating is being considered and which should not. With experience breeders get to know which faults are easier to eradicate and which virtues the most difficult to maintain. I have heard several breeders claim that you can put on a head in one generation whilst it takes much longer to correct basic constructional failings.

Four generations down the bitch line

One of the greatest British breeders of our time was Marjorie Bunting of Ragus Norwich, Norfolk and Border Terrier fame. Not only could Marjorie take a blank sheet of paper and write out from memory a five generation pedigree, she was able to describe in detail every dog whose name she wrote. She was one of the master breeders. Like all great breeders she not only proved her ability within her own kennel and the succession of outstanding dogs she produced, she was prepared to give invaluable advice to emerging breeders – provided they were ready to listen and act on that advice. Many of the successful breeders in her breeds today will happily admit that they owe a lot of their early success to the guidance of Marjorie, and subsequently her daughter Lesley Crawley who continues the Ragus kennel with phenomenal success.

The great breeders also understand that correct is not produced by mating two extremes; rather, the potential parent who lacks in one area should be mated to a dog that excels in that failing. As an example, a dog that is slightly straight behind will not produce puppies with perfect rear angulation by mating it to a dog that is hopelessly over-angulated. Its chosen mate should be a dog that has CORRECT angulation. Key words to the master breeder are "correct" and "moderate" as they appreciate that moderation has a beauty of its own when everything is in perfect harmony, and it is these impeccably balanced dogs that draw the eye by virtue of their entirety rather than the dogs who have instant impact because they have one dramatic feature (which may not always be wholly correct for the breed).

Some of the cleverest breeders I have known are Allan Taylor and his late partner Idris Jones who have the Belroyd Pembroke Welsh Corgis. Idris in particular had the knack of seeing something in dogs that weren't necessarily winning if he felt they had something to contribute to their breeding

programme. Having identified such a dog they would study the pedigree to check what was behind it. Sometimes they would gamble on an outcross but then bring the next generation back into their own breeding. They produced some fabulous Pembrokes.

I remember Bill Taylor telling me that some of the most successful St.Aubrey Elsdon Pekingese had been bred from outcross breedings, provided the two parents were themselves strongly line-bred. Dibbie Somerfield was one of the pioneer breeders of Boxers in the UK. Her mother had been a highly successful Great Dane breeder. I well remember Dibbie saying "If you want to breed good looking puppies, you breed a good looking bitch to a good looking dog; if the paperwork looks pretty then that's a bonus."

Other breeders set great store by the "paperwork" and would never countenance a breeding if the pedigree was badly lacking or contained an imbalance of faults. Knowing the dogs in the pedigree is the key and often breeders will tend to seek out dogs that are bred in a particular way as they feel they would complement their bitch's pedigree. In fact, one of the most successful litters of Beagles I bred was down to this kind of thinking. The male I felt instinctively would be perfect for a particular bitch had been exported to New Zealand, but not before he had produced in a handful of litters some really excellent dogs of consistent type and the type I was wanting to breed. So I looked for a son of his and eventually decided on a dog that I had done well as a puppy but who, as a mature adult, had not fared too well when I judged him as he wasn't really right on the day. His owners were a little taken aback when I approached them to use a dog that had been placed Fifth when I judged him on my record—holding bitch but thankfully agreed. The resulting litter had a huge impact on the breed internationally.

Different breeders have different philosophies when it comes to planning a breeding. In a filmed audience with Pat Craige Trotter she explained her own theories perfectly but it would be



marvellous to get the likes of her fellow Americans, Bill Shelton, Doug Johnson and the Helmings to discuss how they approached the whole question, and I strongly suspect that the pedigree would have a very large part to play in their breeding programs.

Three sisters

from the 1930's

THREE CHAMPIONS. These three sisters have taken nineteen championships between them. They were bred by Lady Handley Spicer and owned by Mrs E. H. Mitchell. They are Chs. "Dora Matilda", "Emmeline", and "Betty of Lavenderway".

Whilst breeders of this calibre have proved that they have "green fingers" and an instinctive ability to make the right pairings, their vast knowledge of the dogs that appear through their pedigrees will presumably be a major consideration.

The ability to read a pedigree is an art and is something that can be learnt in time. The pedigree form is not just a piece of paper ... it is something that can be the keynote to a breeder's success.



Group from the famous Glenwood Kennel of the 1920's with a pedigree below of Glenwood Grig

Pedigree o	Date of Birth: 26-1 Colour & Markings: Owned By: Barwel	2-1925 Sex: M rx/rx	nwood Grig Breed: Griffon Bru Reg No.: KCSB 1915 Bred By: Barwell Mr	uxellois, Belge, Brabanç 9 GG
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		Jill of Causeway *	Moutarde *	Coothorne Frills * Anthony * Tosca'10 * Toffee *
		Sultan of Sunnymede *	Ch'10 Poudie 8268 *	Pirkv * Ch. Carlos (UK) (aka Carlo) * Miss (Molteni Mme) *
			Fannie *	Petit Waterloo (aka Garcon) * Mouche *
		Park Place Mariota *	Ch'12 Titi 8774 * Girlie *	Carlo (Thirionet M) * Cora (Thibault de Boesinghe Mme x *
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			Lavender of Sunnymede *	Ch. Copthorne Firebrand * Comer Mignonette *
		Fiona Flip *	Ch. Copthorne Larrikin *	Ch. Copthorne Firebrand * Ch. Copthorne Fatima *
			Afon Zenobia *	Copthorne Presto * Weea *
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			by certify that the foregoing particulars a	ere correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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A even bite, without teeth or tongue showing means, a Griffon is less likely to suffer from dental or eating issues

> Healthy Griffons should have a thick, lush coat. A sparse, dull coat is often a sign of skin issues and illness.

> > www.griffonnsw.com

Support Responsible Breeders

Griffons in Advertising

You can expect to see Griffons in some advertising in the near future. **Darcie,** has recently starred in a yet to be released advertisement for Sydney Water. Shane Jacobsen was also starring along side Darcie

Here are some photos of the shoot. The first one is Terri, giving Darcie the stay command so that she sits on the Fire Engine.



filming

Terrie and Darcie next to the very large Fire Engine. Keep an eye out for Darcie when the Sydney water ads are aired on your TV.



Darcie and her actress mother in a break during





Bean has also been in another advertisement. This time for Rufus and Coco animal products. Here is one f the shots showing a very handsome Bean modelling the new, high fashion collar

The Griffon Buyer Register

The Griffon Buyer Register exists to 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://www.griffonnsw.com/breeders-directory.asp

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



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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. If you have filled out a Griffon Buyer Form and would like to change or update your information please contact our

Please Note

The following information is important

There have not been many litters born to members over the past few months so any members registering need to be aware that they may face a 6 - 12 month wait for a puppy.

If you want a specific coat or gender then you may have a longer wait, depending on the type of pups born. Eg. if you specifically want a rough coat male, you can be sure that Murphy's Law will ensure that the next litter has smooth coat girls etc. The more flexible you are in your choice the sooner you may get a pup.

Please inform the club if you have registered to get a

Griffon but no longer want one. Recently the Registrar has contacted several people only to be told that they have gotten another breed and no longer want a Griffon. It helps us keep our paperwork up to date if we know that you do not require a Griffon any longer





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The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc Breeders Code of Ethics and Conduct

The guidelines are as follows:

- Pre mating testing of prospective parents. Tests to be carried out if validated as a proven scientific screening method and if the evidence indicates that such testing is required in the breed due to scientific validated evidence that indicates a breed concern.
 DNA tests to be carried out if available and relevant. (Note: The only DNA tests available for for Griffons at the present time are for colour inheritance and parentage. There are NO DNA health tests available for Griffons)
- Subject to veterinary advice, no mating where tests indicate inadvisable
- Microchip puppies prior to sale
- Puppy microchip numbers to be included in the Application to Register litter.
- Presale veterinary checks on puppies with written report by veterinary surgeon if required
- Copies of parent's test results and puppy vet check results to be made available to prospective purchasers if requested
- Prospective purchasers can, prior to purchase, view puppies with mother where litter was born and raised. (This will not occur until the pups are vaccinated and protected)
- Provide detailed information on puppy care and welfare to purchasers (All relevant documentation connected with the puppy including inter alia, advice on feeding and care, registration documents, (if already issued) details of vaccinations etc are handed over to the purchaser at the time of sale. When an appropriate contract is available it should be signed by both parties. If registration documents are not available at the time of sale the breeder must comply with Dogs NSW Regulations Part 1 Register and Registration Clauses 13.9 13.11)
- To observe proper standards of management in regard to the housing, health, exercising and socialising of all dogs on the premises managed by the registered breeder. (It is strongly recommended that Accredited Breeders follow the guidelines contained in the NSW Animal Welfare Code of Practice "Breeding Dogs and Cats").
- To ensure that all pups are raised in a home environment and are treated as a member of the family. They are not kennelled outside or kept exclusively as kennelled dogs. The mother is also not a kennelled dog but is a member of the household and is treated as such.
- To keep all pups until **10-12** weeks of age and to ensure that they are socialised prior to leaving.
- To ensure that the breeder is completely honest with the puppy buyer regarding any health issues that may occur
- To ensure that the breeder provides the new owner with detailed information on maintaining the Griffons health and welfare- including information on:
 - o the dangers of overexercising in the first 12 months,
 - the dangers of allowing a pup to jump on and off furniture or run up and down stairs,
 - the dangers of early desexing
 - the need for a correct and nutritionally balanced diet to ensure that the pup grows into a strong and healthy adult

Explanation of Terms for Breeders Scheme

Pre mating testing of prospective parents.

Note: Disease testing means:

Testing for health conditions which are notified by the breed club, ANKC or Dogs NSW as relevant to the breed, and for which scientifically validated, reliable, readily available and cost effective screening procedures are available.

DNA tests for hereditary diseases that are available in the relevant breed. At the present time the most recent comprehensive health survey on the Griffon Bruxellois internationally was carried out by The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW in 2016.

This survey of over 9,000 Griffons identified the most common health issues as; Slipping Patellas, Cleft Palates and undescended testes. At the present time there are no DNA tests available for Griffon Bruxellois.

The CGBC of NSW recommends veterinary checks of all breeding dogs prior to breeding. However, we do not recommend the unnecessary use of anaesthetic to test for conditions that are rare or non- existent in the breed or if the dog does not show any symptoms.

The CGBC of NSW believes that all health testing should be done with the welfare and quality of life experienced by the dog as the prime consideration and the terms of the Accreditation: *scientifically validated, reliable, readily available and cost- effective screening procedures are available* should at all times be kept in mind

In reference to the health conditions identified by the Health Survey we have the following comments:

Cleft Palate – The majority of pups born with this condition are euthanised at birth. Some pups are able to be hand reared by breeders. Breeding not supported

Undescended Testes- This is not a life threatening condition and dogs are usually castrated and live normal healthy lives. Breeding not supported.

Patella Luxation- This condition has various grades of severity. A vet can diagnose the condition in a normal physical examination. Further testing/grading available if a condition is identified. Breeding not supported. Pups have loose ligaments that slowly tighten in the first 12 months of life. Permanent grading cannot be done until the dog is over 12 months.

Anasarca-a condition that commonly affects brachycephalic breeds. While linked to a specific

phenotype there is insufficient research to indicate if it is hereditary. If the pup lives, we would expect the breeder to be guided by veterinary advice.

Inguinal/Scrotal Hernia- this can be diagnosed by a normal veterinary examination. It can be a life-threatening condition and can be hereditary. Breeding not supported

(Please note this is not to be confused with an umbilical hernia which is usually not a problem)

SM/CM – The CGBC of NSW supports the research into this condition and supports breeders who have assisted the research by getting their dogs MRI'd. We acknowledge that at the present it is still very much in the research stage. This procedure so far does not meet with any of the definitions for testing at the present time as it is not yet *scientifically validated, reliable, readily available* or *a cost effective screening procedure(s)*.

MRI's are still a diagnostic process, not a screening process and a permanent grade for a Griffon cannot be issued until the dog is 3.5 years or over.

There are guidelines for breeding published by Claire Rushbridge (UK) which the club recommends members follow as far as is possible but at the present stage it is not essential that members MRI their dogs in order to be accredited as this is still in the research phase.

However, we do recommend that breeders are fully familiar with the genetic lines behind their dogs and take all precautions, including diagnosis, to ensure that they do not breed dogs with this condition.

Other Conditions:

Hips:There is limited evidence that a condition such as H.D is a major issue in the breed in this country.

The club recommends hip X rays with formal, recognized grading if the breeder, after veterinary consultation, feels it is necessary.

The club does not recognize any diagnosis carried out by a vet which is not formally graded under the approved CHEDS grading scheme.

http://www.ava.com.au/cheds

Eyes. We recommend that the eyes are checked during the usual annual veterinary examination. If symptoms of an eye problem are identified by the vet then we recommend a visit to a canine ophthalmologist but do not consider it necessary if the dog does not display symptoms. **Stenotic Nares**. In a limited number of cases we are aware that Griffons have been born with Stenotic Nares. Whilst it is possible that these dogs can have the nostrils enlarged to enable them to breathe we do not support the breeding from affected animals and members who have done so would not be accredited.

Equally we do not support breeding from Griffons who have required surgery for elongated soft palates or narrowed tracheas if these issues are diagnosed as hereditary.

Presale veterinary checks on puppies with written report by veterinary surgeon Copies of parents test results and puppy vet check results to be made available to prospective purchasers

Puppies are vaccinated and checked by a vet at 6-8 weeks of age.

Accredited breeders keep the pups until 10 -12 weeks when they are again vaccinated and vet checked. These check-ups can be considered as a pre- sale vet check. It is not necessary to have an additional vet check prior to sale.

The normal veterinary certificate is sufficient if the pup is healthy and free of health problems. However, if the pup is diagnosed with a health problem the CGBC of NSW expects that breeders will fully inform the prospective purchaser prior to sale.

The CGBC of NSW believes that our member breeders have the love of the breed and the welfare of the breed as their number one priority.

Buyers Rights and Responsibilities

- The majority of breeders do not ask for a deposit. However if a breeder requires one-NEVER pay
 a deposit until after the puppies have been born or there is a puppy available or you have visited
 the litter. Deposits are refundable under Australian Consumer Law unless you change your
 mind. The dam may not conceive or there might not be enough puppies born. Alternatively, your
 circumstances might unexpectedly change because of ill health, a work transfer or other
 unexpected event.
- If you buy a puppy with purchase conditions about future breeding or showing called "breeder's terms", make sure these are spelled out in a written contract, which both breeder and buyer sign and retain respective copies of. Be clear about the conditions and contact The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW if you are concerned or do not quite understand the terminology. This will avoid disagreements later. The breeder should explain every aspect of the agreement.
- You should view the Certificate of Registration and Pedigree for both the dam and sire before paying for the pup. The registration should be ANKC and the pups will be Limited or Main register. See further information -Choosing a Breeder.

If there is a problem - a consumer's right to a remedy

- If you have purchased a pet and something goes wrong, you may have rights against the seller if they failed to meet one or more of the consumer guarantees. Many breeders will sell with a written contract that detail this. Please read carefully and contact The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW if you are unsure
- Generally, you are not entitled to a remedy if you change your mind about a purchase or if the problem is due to something beyond the seller's control. However, if the seller provided an 'express' warranty or an additional promise about the quality, condition, performance or characteristics of the item purchased, they must uphold that guarantee.

• Your entitled remedy will depend on the issue and whether the problem can be classified as major or minor. Effectively, a major problem is when you wouldn't have bought the pet if you had known the nature and extent of the problem prior to purchase; for example, an animal has a terminal or serious health issue.

In this case, the consumer has the right to choose which remedy the seller will provide. This will either be to:

- have the problem with your pet corrected for example, with veterinary
- treatment and/or medication;
- return your pet to the seller and have it replaced with another one; or
- return your pet to the seller and have your money refunded.
- When the problem is minor, the seller can choose which remedy they will provide.
- It is recommended that you attempt to negotiate an outcome that both you and the seller can agree to.

If there continues to be a disagreement, Consumer Protection can provide advice and help you resolve the dispute.

(Note: it is the buyer/consumer who has the right to choose which remedy – such as a refund - if there is a problem with the health of a puppy).

It has come to our attention that some breeders may be falsely asserting their involvement with our club. Please contact us directly to check any breeders involvement with us.