



The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

Golden Oldie Griffons

A celebration of the longevity and our love of Griffons



Some of the Golden Oldies and loving owners at the CGBC of NSW Championship Show 2019

Celebrating our wonderful Golden Oldies - Griffon Bruxellois 10 years or older

The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW conducted a celebration of Golden Oldie Griffons over a two week period of time. The Golden Oldies included Griffons past and present, who were 10 years of age or more. The members of the club's Face Book page were requested to send in photos to celebrate our wonderful older Griffons.

The extremists claim that brachycephalic dogs have shorter life spans and live a life of suffering, ill health, breathing difficulties and misery. Our Golden Oldies show that this is not the case with our Griffons

Unhealthy dogs do not have long lives. Dogs that struggle to breath or move do not live long lives. Our snapshot of Golden Oldies show that Griffons live long and active lives. There are a number of Griffons who lived until 14-16 years of age. There are many photos of Griffons 10-12 years of age still living happy, active lives, playful and energetic.

The dogs featured come from all corners of the globe, some are top winning show dogs and all are much loved pets. Some include family groups that have all enjoyed a long lifespan.

Limited research on the longevity of different breeds carried out in the USA did not identify brachycephaly as a cause of shortened lifespan.

<https://cgejournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s40575-020-00086-8?fbclid=IwAR29nLRr7VAeDiiDQ-rNNBfGjsZDWGMr>

The photos show Griffons that are fulfilling their breed purpose as companion dogs and they show the close bond that owners have with their Griffons. They are all much loved and adored family members and companions of their owners and it was a privilege to have their photos and stories shared with us.

I hope everyone enjoys these wonderful Golden Oldies and we thank everyone who shared these fabulous old dogs with us



1. Julie Debenham Australia Tommy 26/2/2004 - 8/7/2018
This was taken the day we had to put him down (cancer). Only issue was mild, un-medicated epilepsy - medication made him lethargic and fat. Never had any other issues, minimal snoring on his back - the sweetest, gentlest, cat adoring Griffon. He thought his "sisters" bull mastiffs puppies where his - much more maternal than their mother! Never left their side. The reason I adore Griffs



2. Fandí Dobrota Czech Republic

Sean 13 yrs June 2020



3. Donna M. Vartanian USA

Here is our first home bred girl whose Dad was Erik in the photo below.

Ch. Doll House Lucy I'm Home passed away 3 months before she turned 16

4. Donna M. Vartanian

My. Ch. Wisselwood Erik the Red passed away 2 short months of being 15.





5. Donna M. Vartanian

This is Erik's 1/2 sister, Julie; Doveland Undeniable. She, too, lived until almost 16.



6. Donna Vartanian
USA This was a young Luigi...my Erik bred to a pretty little girl owned by Marge Shriver. He became much more substantial as he matured and lived to 16yrs. I took his passing really hard; not very long ago.



7. Kerry and John LeCuddenac Australia. This is my father in laws, Katie, she will be 14 on 7th July, she is a tuff little girl, only her sight is failing her now. She came from Melbourne from Alana Sharpe Alwood Kennels, she has been perfect with no major health problems and definitely no breathing problems. We are lucky she now lives with us joining Teddy & Coco.



8. Cathryn Feaver New Zealand - Harriet; 10 yrs young.

Born 16/4/2010



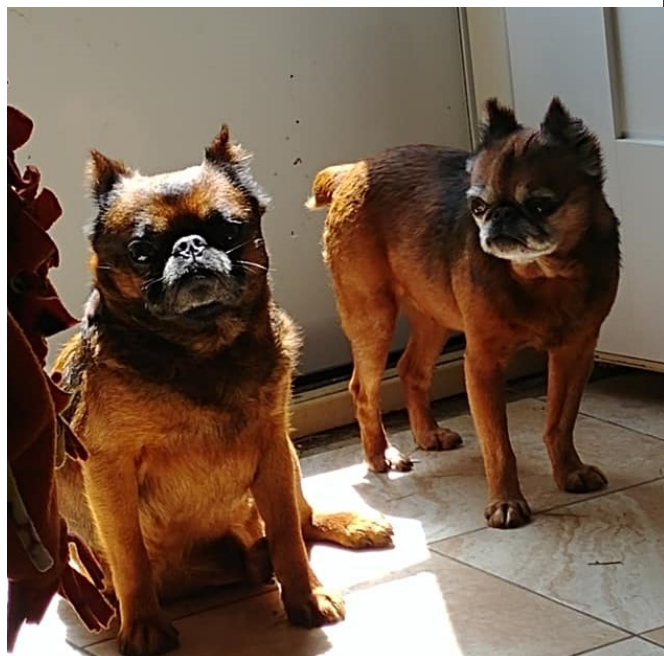
9. Jill Dennis USA U.S. Ch. Doveland Solar Flare. Age 11 this month. Her dam and grand-dam lived elsewhere; as did her sire. Her great grand-dam, great-great grand dam, great-great-grand-sire, lived to 16, 16 1/2, and 17, respectively.

I sincerely hope she does the same.

Her sire is Am. CH. St. John's Too Hot to Handle ex Ch. Doveland StellaByStarlight.

She shows little sign of slowing down except for greying.

Her son by Int Ch Doveland Connoisseur of Glen Valley, at almost 8, is likewise. Last picture shows them together, last year





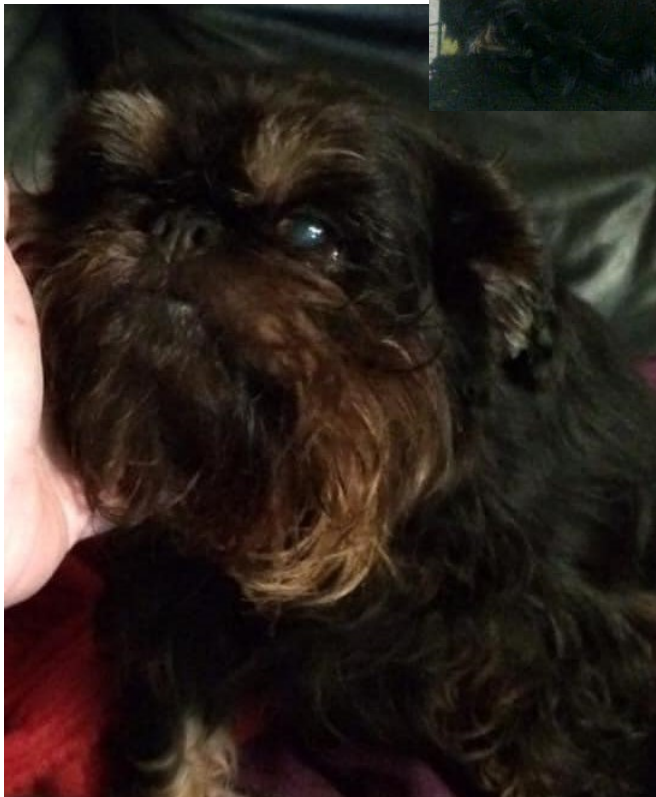
10. Astrid Krog Norway

Elma Multi Ch winner Leo Belgicus Well-Marked

♡ My heart dog ♡

28.09.2002 - 20.10.2016

First picture in the Netherlands with her breeders Hans and Jan Den Otter.
She came with me to Norway in June 2007

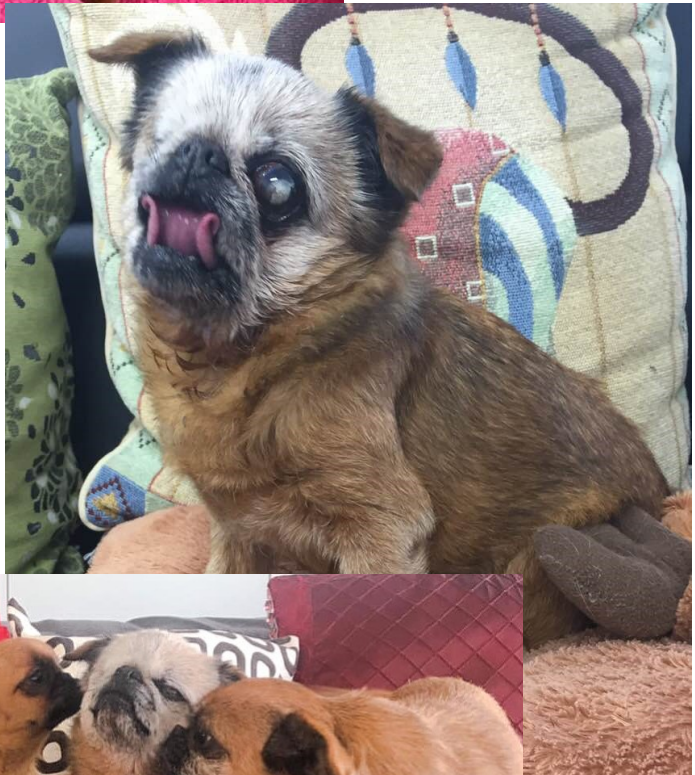




11. Claire Parker OSullivan
Australia
Ch Raweke Yogi Bear CCD CD
2001-2017
The first Griffon in Australia to
have CCD title. Regularly
competed in all breeds
obedience trials.

12. Claire Parker OSullivan Australia
Ch/Neuter Ch Raweke Bunty Bear
2005-2020

4 Generations with Great grandmother
Ch/Neuter Ch Raweke Bunty Bear, getting
kisses from her daughter, Pansie Ch Balliol
Esmerelda Easter Egg 9yrs and her great
granddaughter , baby Rita, Nevafollo Quick
Quill Quotes. Looking on is grand daughter,
Ginny, Ch Balliol
Jinny Juniper





13. Constance Davis USA Our first Griff, a gift from a friend. She was a first generation American, as her daddy was born on London. She was the dog of our heart and lived to be 14.



14. Constance Davis USA Our next Griffs, Precious and Patrick. They were rescues and each lived again to be 14. Precious was diabetic and eventually blind. Patrick had a heart murmur. They were characters and are missed.



15. Andrew Georgiou Australia

The heart of our home is Igby, 11 years.

He is the first of my three boys, and a wonderful big brother to them. Sadly his lower back and hips are troubling him and his walking ability is declining. However, he is a happy chappy, eats very well and sleeps soundly by the fireplace.

There may be a touch of dementia setting in, but then again I'm probably wearing my undies back to front myself this morning and have already lost my keys. We love you Igby.

16. Anne-Cathrine Furnes
Norway

29 May

3 beautiful 11,5 Years old
from same litter ♥♥♥

Hulda & Even lives with their
breeder Nancy Elvin and Lotte
lives with me and my
bunch. Their pedigree name is
Nordic Design Eilin(Hulda),
Nordic Design Eyolf(Even) &
Nordic Design Enigma(Lotte)
Dob: 22.11.2008.

They are all Champions,
Hulda N & DK CH, Even
NORD.CH & Lotte N & SE CH.



This photo was taken 3 days ago.



17. Ruth Casserley

'Harley'

21/05/2005 - 03/12/2019

Sapsorrel Point of No Return

Harley was diagnosed with Addison's disease in 2013, his condition was well controlled once his medication was optimised.

He suffered from colitis and a heart murmur (no medication needed) and he had cataracts in

later life.

He had deformed back legs and paws (we don't know why as he was a rescue) but he still walked well, if a little slowly. He had a great quality of life, despite his challenges.



He died at 14.5 years of suspected heart failure, at home in his favourite spot on the sofa with us and his sister Layla by his side ♥



18. Loralie Leigh Australia

Tzani Fanny Mae (aka Ruby) - will soon be 11 years old.

Loves long walks and puts on a turn of speed regularly when playing with our other (younger) Griff.

No significant health issues - occasional reverse sneezing is the only respiratory issue she seems to experience.



19. Kelly Pilgrim-Byrne Australia

My beautiful old Harvey Bean who died last year at 16.5 years. We had his mum bred by Hilary Swain and Hilary's boy was the sire. It's so long now I can't remember their show names.



20. Jannelle Tremenheere Australia

Ch Balliol Esmerelda Easteregg aka Pansie Parkinson 10.5 years and still the boss



21. Jannelle Tremenheere Australia NZ Ch Toi Toi Dance n shout aka Dance a respectable 12 and a half years of age. Never had any breathing problems -always sleeps with her tongue out.



22. Geoff Duncan

Otto" Rosndae Monkey Magic born 2007. Insta @ottogriffon

13.5 years. Still strong and happy as the day he came to me as a puppy. Lost a few teeth and going grey like me.





23. Alice Robinson Australia

This is our beautiful boy Charlie who is coming up to 12 years of age 🥰

I can't remember his pedigree but he is from the Shigriff lines.

Other than some bladder stones, he has been very fit and well his whole life!

24. Fern Feaver New Zealand

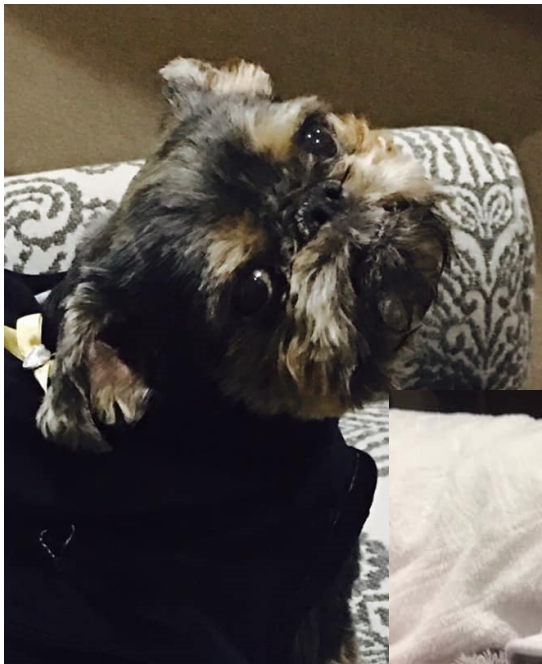
Kiri aged 12 and her daughter, Sydney 7 years





25. Karen S Mccutchan USA
Some golden oldies both 11 years

Gracie (belge, AKC Star of Gracelan) and
Tessa (Black and Tan, AKC Parragons
Barefoot Contessa) my griffs.





26. Victoria Mercer

Taco aka Giggleswick Cheeky Monkey

11 years young

27. Hilary Swain Australia

Ebony 11.11.2004 - 17.06.2020

We had to say goodbye to Ebony,
Conamoore Queen Amidala. She has
gone to join her sister. Sadly missed.





28. Olga Baranova Russia

Emili of Nevskogo Hobbita, 12.5 years young
(born Nov 27, 2007), weight 6.5 kg

Patellas 0/0, HD free, eyes clear, SM A

2 x European Winner, multichampion,
International Champion

Produced 3 litters (all born naturally) of 3, 2
and 4 puppies - champions in each litter.

Foundation bitch of HARPERSBAND GRIFFONS,
still doing strong 🐾 Bless her!

Pictured with her great-great-grandson (4th
generation of Harpersband Griffons).





29. Linda George New Zealand

Nimrock from Von Ronkim kennels.
Died 2012 at 16 yrs old. Just had
dementia towards the end.

30. Linda George New Zealand

Merlot (Brugge Night Owl) a long history of
agility and obedience wins. Died 2017 at 16+
yrs old. Only diagnosed with Cushings at 14.
Age related blind and deaf.





31. Linda George New Zealand . Bexley (Paris tangled in black), now 14 yrs old. Blind with cataracts and now showing some dementia.



32. Michelle Parker
Brien Australia

Ch Raweke Pattie Mae
CCD 2006-2018



33. Michelle Parker Brien Australia
Ch Raweke Teasel Toadfax 2004- 2018

Below are three of Teasel's children; Ch
Balliol Dolly Dimple 11 yrs, Ch Balliol
Alfred Apple 13.5 yrs , Ch/Neut Ch
Balliol Fezzywig Fever 10 yrs



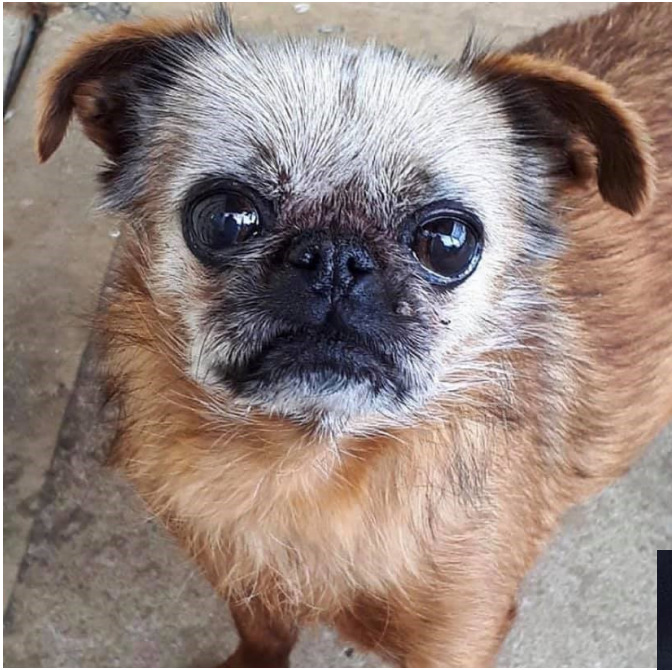


34. Michelle Parker Brien Australia Ch Rawke Basil Brush 2002 -2016



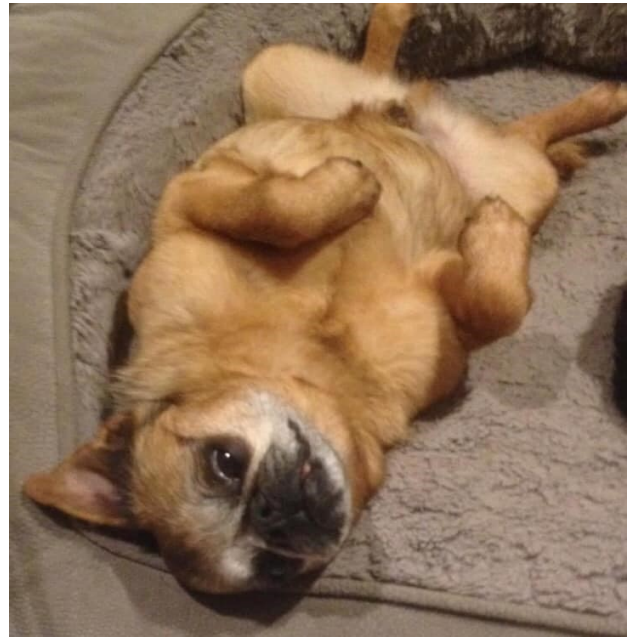
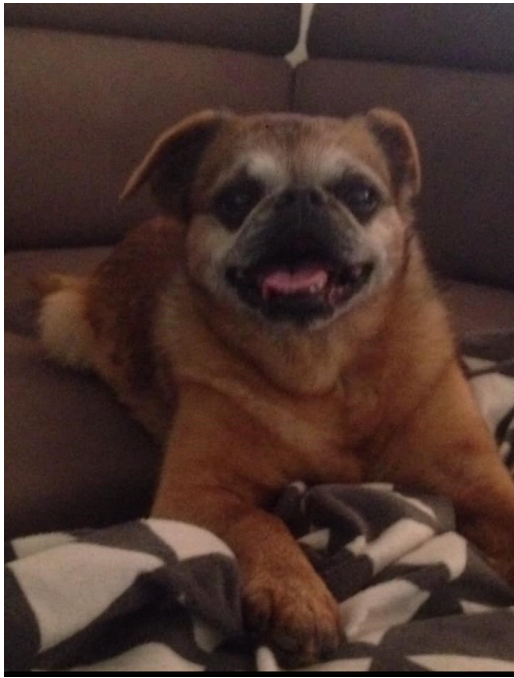
35. Stephanie Paige Australia
Ch. Millbank Hot Patootie "Trixie"
10/11/2004 - 4/12/2019 (15 years)





36. Stephanie Paige Australia
Shigriff Burst My Bubble "Bubbles"
23/07/2006 - 24/09/2019 (13 years)
Some photos at varying ages





37. Jacki Gauci Australia
Velbeauf Even Steven -aka Snootas!
2005-2018 13 years young ❤️





38. Jillian Mathieson Australia

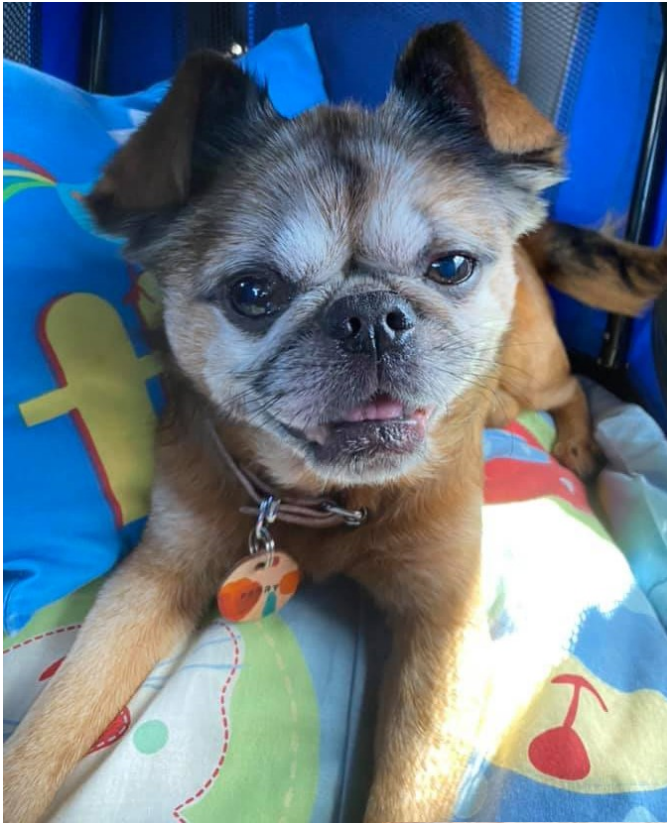
Henry (Ch Balliol Alfred Apple) at almost 13.5 years old. Still moody and demanding, but cute AF!

39. Jillian Mathieson Australia

Mavis (Ch Raweke Bindi with a Bow) 13.5 years on the left with her 1 year old brother Morty. Still having a great life!



Mavis and her daughter Gertie 9.5 yrs



40. Leah Browne Australia
Perry just turned 11!



41. Debra Warner
Parkinson Australia
Yogi is approx 14 yrs old



42. Marissa
Waddington Australia

Ernie is 13 ❤️



43. Nina Kumpulainen Finland Saimi, 11 years.



44. Judith Ottosen
Australia
Yogi born 15/3/2006



45. Julie Ottosen Australia
Willow 2005 -2020

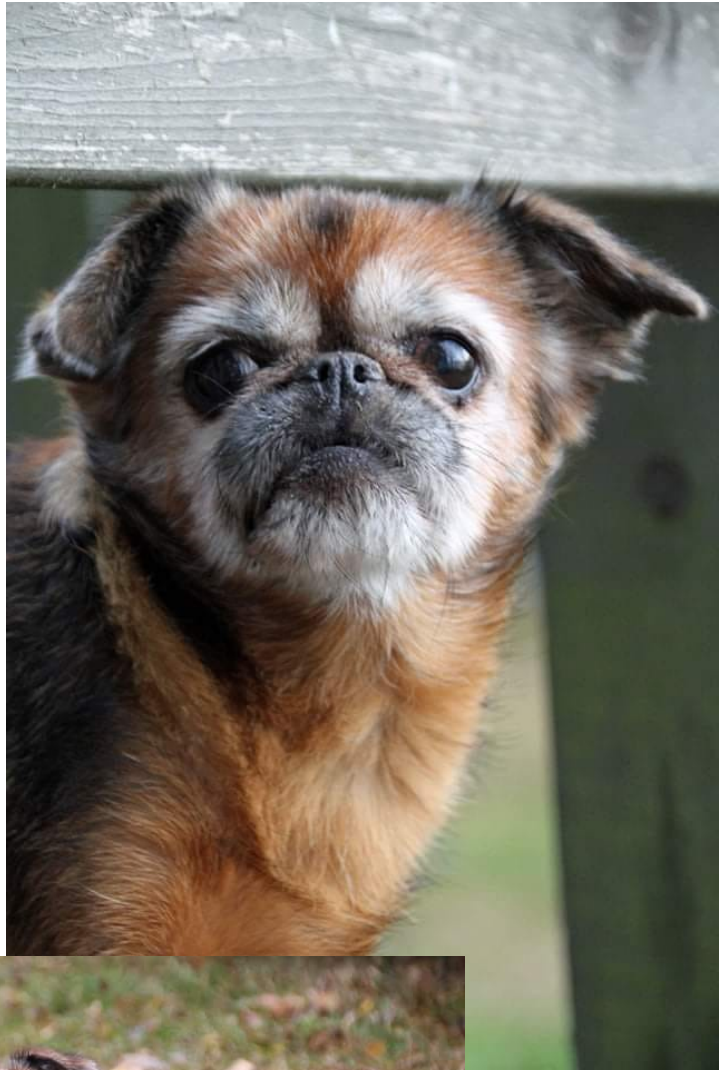


46. Marika Bander Estonia
Poppy almost 12

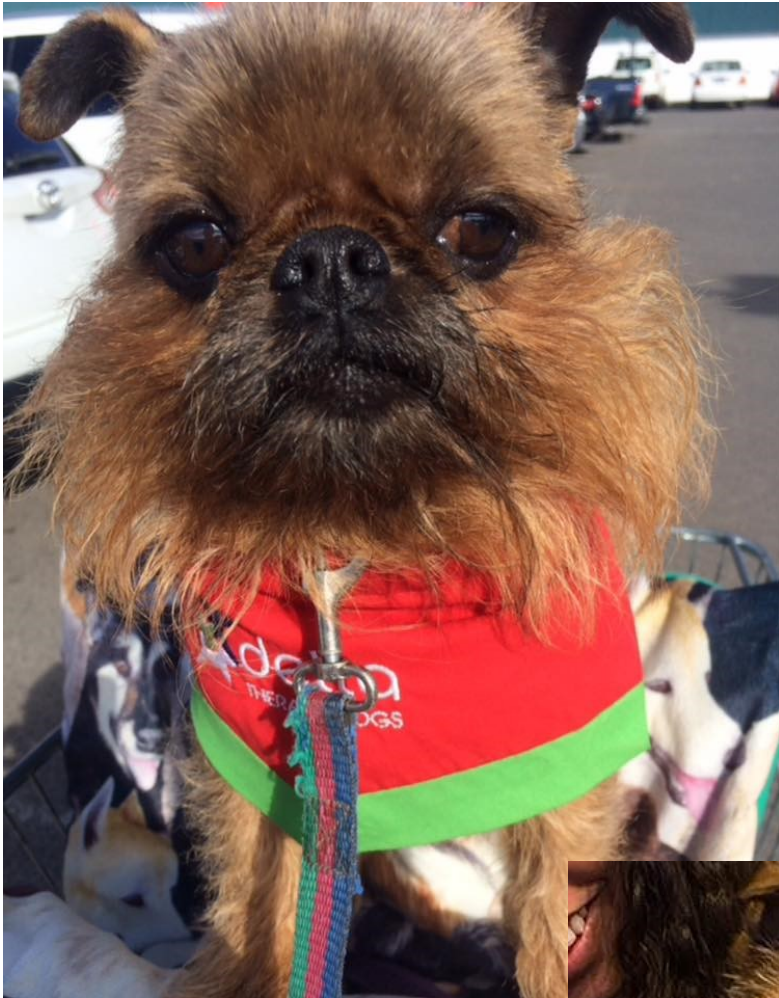


47. Jenny Kasfeldt USA

48. Riikka Nyman Finland
Lilli going to be 13 very soon (11.7.07)



Lilli with her
favourite toy. Still
playful at 12.5yrs



49. Jeanette Walters Australia
Happy 10 .5 years old





50. Sari Semi Finland Nougat, nearly 16 years old when passed away.

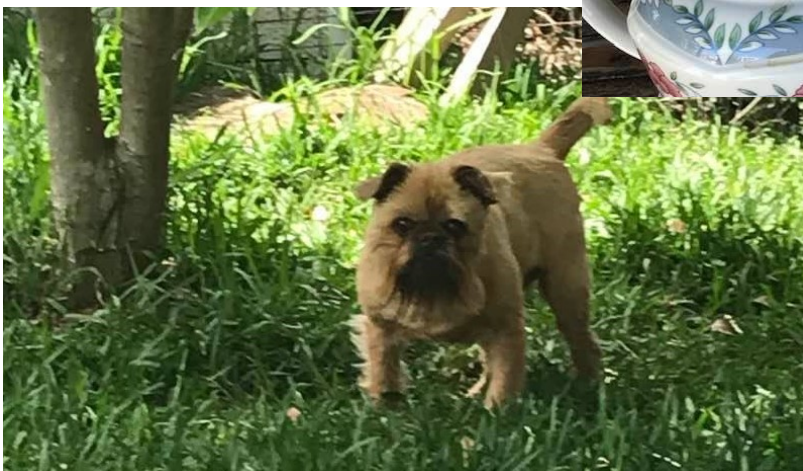


51. Sus Fjordside Denmark Bertha 11 years



52. Sus Fjordside Denmark Moffi 13 years

53. Michelle Parker Brien Australia
Ch/Neut Ch Balliol Fezzywig Fever – Ludwig still
enjoying life to the full
10.5 yrs





54. Klaudia Kirchner Germany
York, 12.3 years old





55. Klaudia Kirchner Germany Niki 14 years old



56. Klaudia Kirchner Germany Niki 14 and Emma 10 years old



57. Klaudia Kirchner Germany Ayo 12 years old



58. Kate Scott UK
My beautiful Hope strutting
her stuff, aged 12 in this
photo, lost her June 2014
aged 14.5 years. Wonderful
girl, always in my heart.



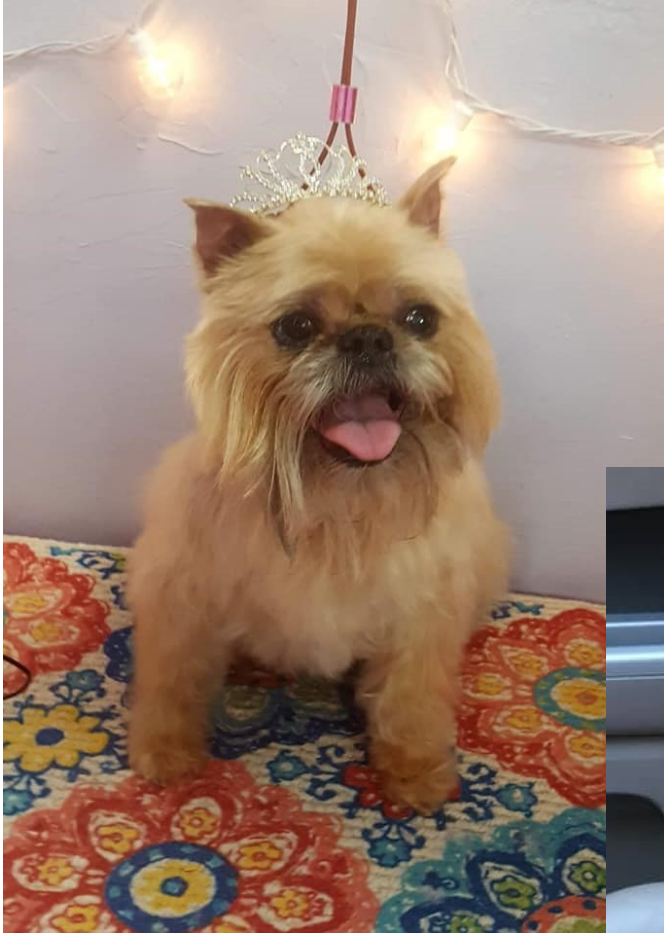
59. Jean Armstrong
Potts UK
Flo dob 23.4.2009. Never
ailed a thing until
diagnosed with sard 2019
and hasn't bothered her
being blind. Eye tested
clear at 3yrs old

60. Jean Armstrong
Potts UK
Merlin dob
9.6.2010.
Still very fit and
active CM0/
SM0 eye tested
clear



Brenda Wallace I'm from the United States and I love seeing all your Griffs!

I have rescued 2 Griffs here in the states, Coco rescued at 6 already blind and diabetic she lived till 13 1/2 years! My current rescue Chester rescued at 10 blind in one eye due to attack by the 4 year old Bull Mastiff in his home. They kept the Mastiff and surrendered Chester. Chester will be 12 in October! Coco is the beige Griff and Chester the red! 😊



61. Coco 13.5 years



62. Chester 11.5 years

63. Chris Sutton Australia

Lulu 13 years - one eye
clouding over otherwise doing
OK



64. Nikki Griffon USA

Nikki will be 14 in a few days



65. Julia Spittle UK This is Lizzie. She is Rhodon Regina (UK Ch. Donzeata Royal Sovereign x Rhodon Go With The Flo)- Bred by Rev. Sue Rose.

She is a lovely, mature lady of 15.5 years. Enjoys her daily walks, eating and she doesn't snore!

The 'Foundation Bitch' of the current Rhodons.

She has a Champion son, and two RCC winning daughters.

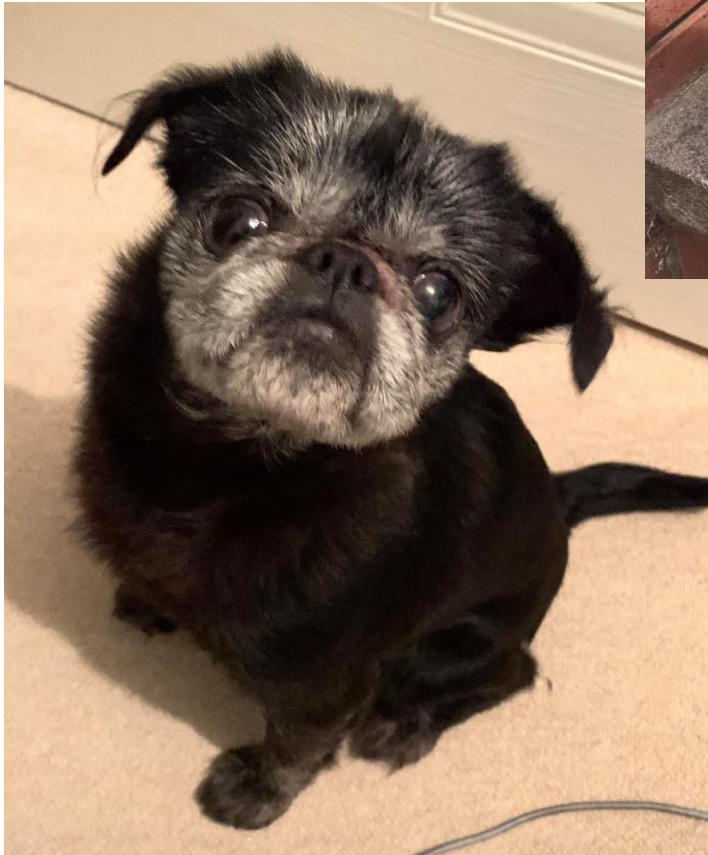
Grandma to Ch. Rhodon Maid To Measure and CC winning granddaughter and grandson.

She has recently become a great, great grandma so her line continues.





66. Julia Spittle UK Rhodon Regal Maid (Dido) now 11.5 and still out runs the others



67. Trace Hershaw UK Beauview Check the Label Pepper, 12 years young



68. Lana Thomas Nesmith USA

This is Caillou 🐾💙🐾 He will be 14 in August & is my Sweet Baby💕

69. Jocelyn Walker New Zealand

This is Bizzi who was also known as Ch Prestonville Riski Bizness at Tiroroa - she was 13 when this picture was taken and left us for the Rainbow Bridge at almost 15 yrs old.

The group pic shows her with her granddaughter Loretta and two great grandchildren Minty and Teddy aka

BISS Tiroroa D'vyne Mint Treat and BISS Ch Tiroroa Time for a Treat 💕 she was a sweet lady

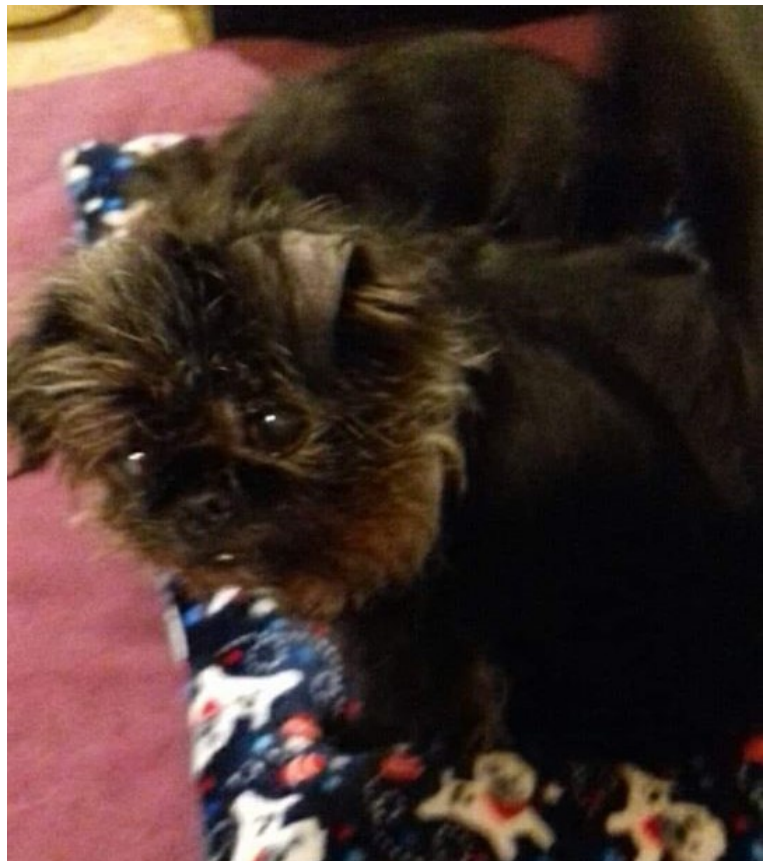


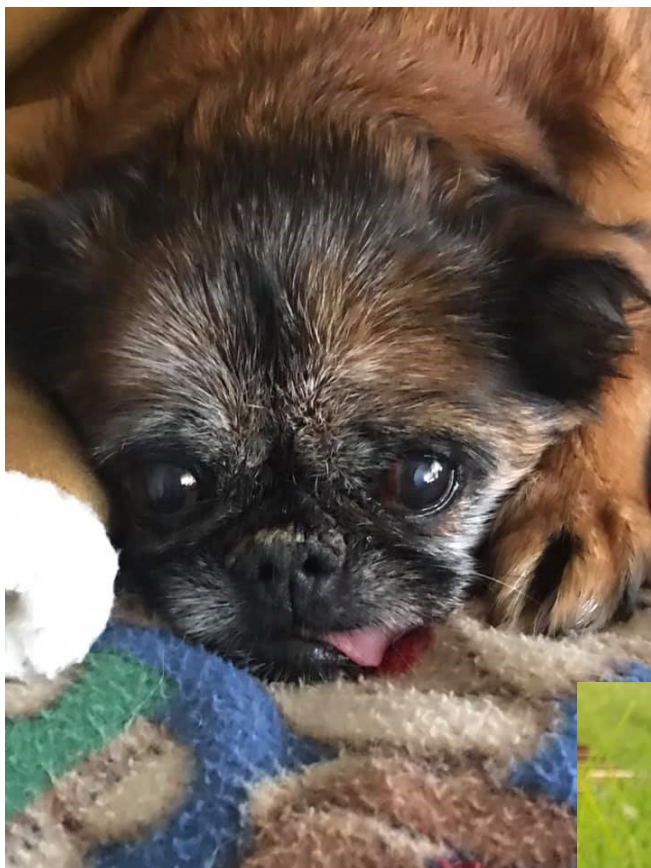


70. ольга
мазирко Russia
Petrovskoe Divo
Dzhenni

My beloved girl is
12.10 years old.

71. Kate Scott UK
This is Harmony at 13.5 years, just
before she passed with cancer just
a year ago this month. A grand old
lady who blessed me with such a
wonderful legacy

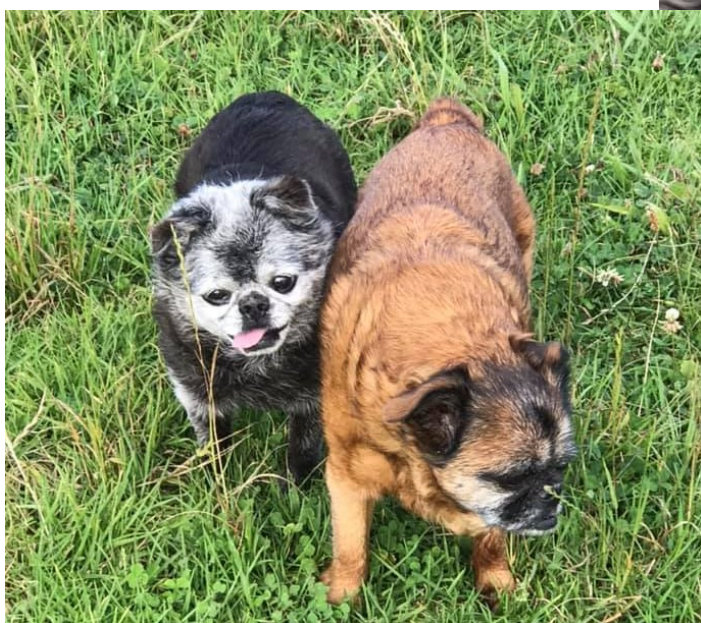




72. Sally Cottle New Zealand
Luigi now 16 years old



73. Sally Cottle New Zealand Enzo, who died at 15
years



Sally Cottle New Zealand

Enzo and Luigi taken two years ago (RIP
Enzo)



74. Line Marie Johnsen Norway

Oscar will be 12 in August

75. Julie Halkett UK

This is Ruby dob 19.06.10 so 10 years old a few days ago. Still looking young, no grey hairs yet.





76. Jane Conway UK
My heart dog Fagan,
died at 15 and 4
months, never ill. He
was BOAS tested clear
for research in
Rowena's study. Love
you Fay

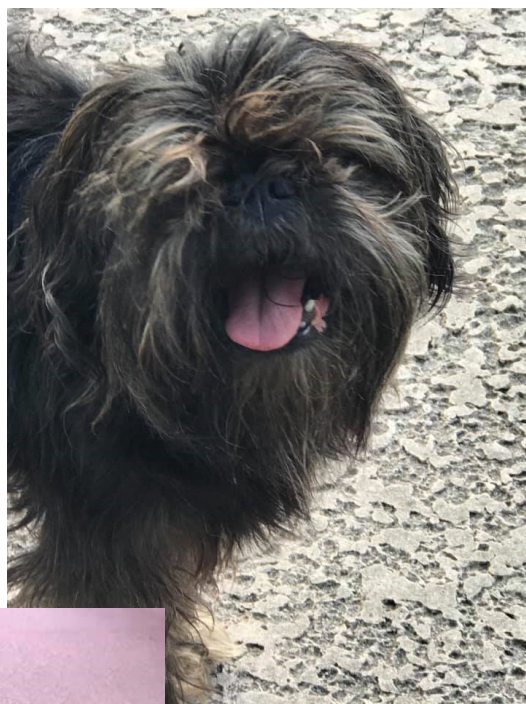
77. Sharyn Wood Australia
Toto 13.5 years



78. Lisa Silver USA My girl Squid! 14 years old I
had her put to sleep last year Easter weekend. My
best mate, miss her everyday



79. Jema Staton USA My Kramer turned 15 on May 15th, he is my best friend, my travel buddy and snuggle bug. I love him more than I love my husband.....shhhh



80. Gae Yammarino Riley USA Roscoe 15yrs



81. Nancy Andreas USA Tequila, Cali and Carlota. Tequila and Cali are sisters, both 10 and Carlota is 11



82. Marika Bander Estonia Catlyn almost 15 yrs, (14y10m). Photo taken today. She has good health for this age.

83. Paloma Pegorer Brazil Fefê who passed last year at the age of 16

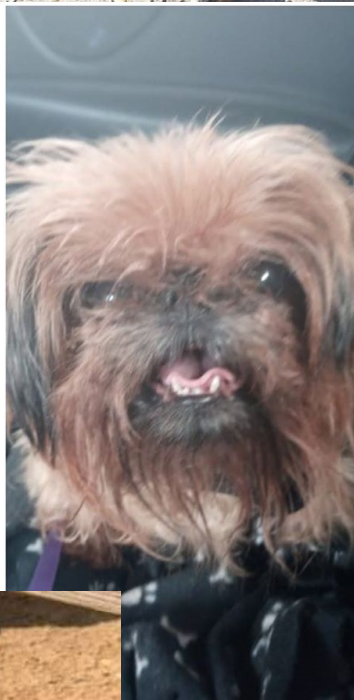


84. Mary Mascheck USA Cuz 14 years old!

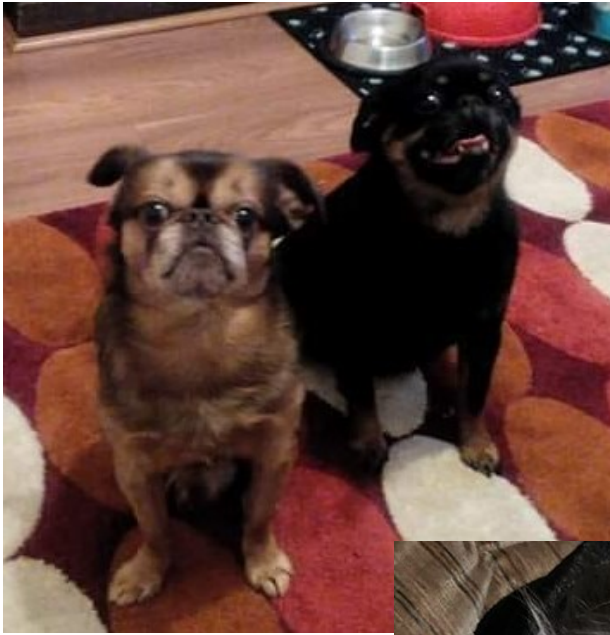


85. Georgie Gena USA This is Lola she is a young 10yrs

86. Jo Masterson UK Dizzy 13 before and after last week's hairdo. One of five but she's my life.



87. Jane Taggart UK Compo was 10 on the 9th June.



88. Angi McCarry Carroll Ireland. Dante, on the left will be 11 years old this year and Karma, on the right will be 12 years old.



89. Tiffany Willis USA. Taz 14-.5
He is spoiled rotten 😊😘



90. Amy Claborn USA Zeus, 13!



91. Sue Mitchell Canada
Minnie and Mim



92. Stephanie Allen Canada Ethel is 13
on Saturday



93. Ambre Sultan
Poland From the left:
Jacobs 14 years old,
Nana 11years old,
Randi 10 years old

94. Lucia Baloghova Czech Republic Channel Černý Onyx
10yrs





95. Angy Lindblom
Australia

Bubbles, Roxbud Made To Order, is 12 and has never needed a vet except for immunisation and babies. Healthy as a pup

96. Natalia Griaznova Russia,
Toitoti The Heart Breaker,
12 years old, breeder
Susan Berkahn (New
Zealand)





97. Julie Calleja Australia. Duchess, she will be 11 in December

98. Sara Burford Australia Coco 10 in 2017



99. Ольга Борисова Russia. 10.5 years



100. Jodi K. Miles-
Summeril USA This is
Rudy. My best Griff ever.
He crossed the rainbow
bridge a year ago last
week. He was 12

101. Leonie Donaldson
Australia Abby on her 12th
Birthday



102. Bohdana Vokounová Czech
Republic Denzel 10.5 y



103. Tilly Bean UK Millie 11 years old

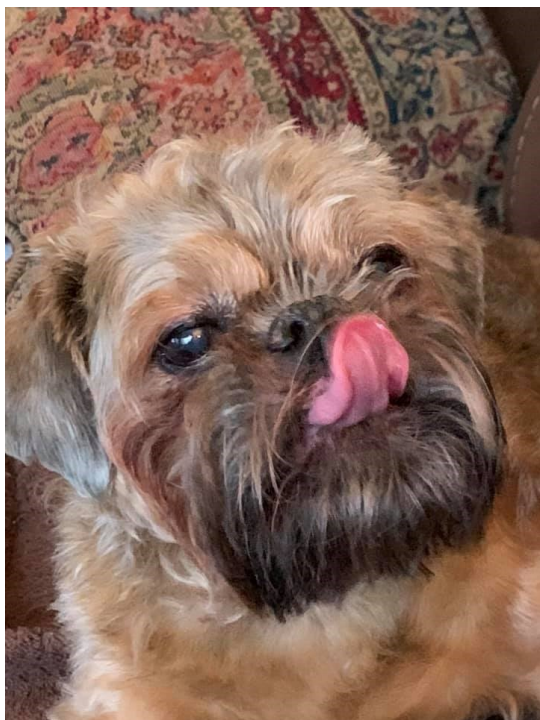
104. Tilly Bean UK Marmaduke 11 years old long haired smooth





105. Yvonne Aarebrot Norway Naomi
13yrs

106. Sara Proctor Bryant USA My little old
man Stewie He just had his 10th birthday May
1st



107. Sue Appleton Australia

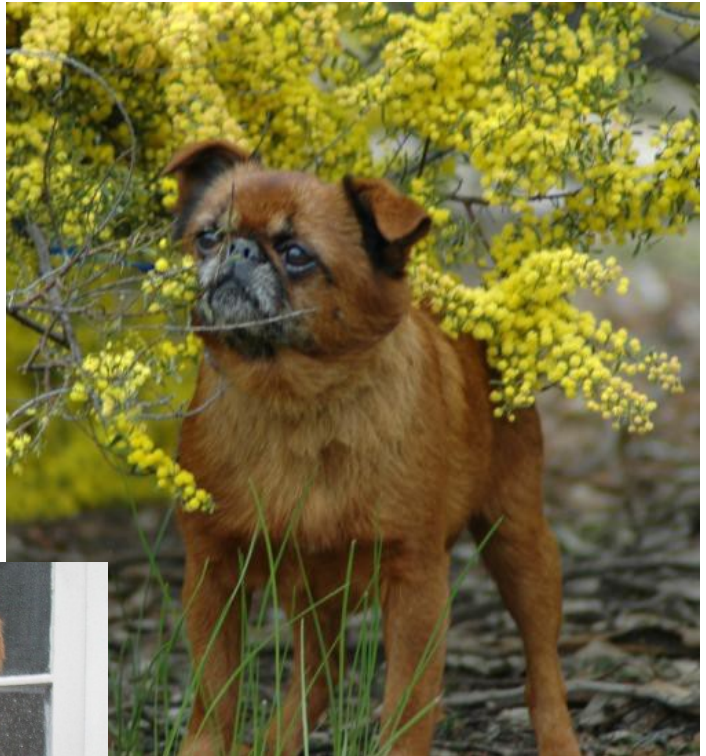


108. Leslie Fox USA Walter turns 11 next month



109. Sandra Petty USA Sugarlands Whispering Echo. Call name sugar. She is almost 12

110. Sandie Meads New Zealand Hunter – Aust/NZ Ch Paris Night Fever. MRI Grade A at 8yrs of age. Lived until 14.5 years



111. Sandie Meads Ch Paris Chicago. Chicago was from Ch Beagriff Hotshot and Ch Mauti Timepiece. 12.09.1997 – Dec 2011

112. Sandie Meads New Zealand Maud Ch Maud Earl of Paris. DOB 18.01.2004. She would have been about 11 here. Died young at 12.



113. Sandie Meads New Zealand
Grace, Ch Glen Oak of Paris.
10.04.1999. Died due to dementia at 14
years.

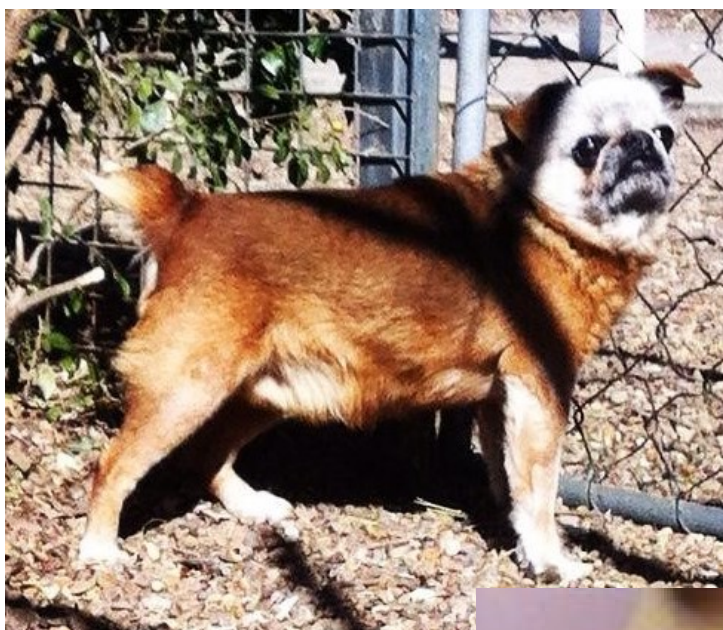


114. Sandie Meads New Zealand Ch
Paris Feenagh -the lovely Fee, a red
smooth, was born in 1997 and was almost
15. She collapsed suddenly and died in
Fern's arms as she and Sandie rushed her
to the vets. Fee was a top winner in her
youth and a dignified lady in her old age.
She is known not only for her own loving
personality but also as the mother of some
of the top winning Griffons in both
Australia and New Zealand- her sons who

are both champions in two countries- NZ/AUS Ch Ned D'Vyne of Paris at Upmarket and NZ/Aust Ch
Paris Night Fever and her daughter NZ Ch Maud Earl of Paris

115. Shane Thomas Australia -Ch Nouveau Dermonica (*photo not available*) died in August 2015 at the
age of 18 years.

She was born in New Zealand, bred by Alistair Cliquot of Nouveau Griffons in 1998. After gaining her New Zealand title and whelping a litter she moved to Australia to live with Jocelyn Croad and later Shane Thomas of Raweke Griffons. She produced the well- known NZ/Aust Ch Nouveau Delinquent, who later joined her in Australia and who features behind so many quality pedigrees and she also produced Ch Raweke Yogi Bear CCD/ CD, the first Griffon in Australia to gain his CCD title. Both these sons lived until the ages of 15.8yrs and 14.5 years. In this day and age when so many uninformed people make disparaging comments about brachycephalic breeds and accuse them of health issues it is good to see that a well bred Griffon from strong healthy lines can live a long, happy and healthy life.



116. Jocelyn and Edward Croad, Australia
Alvin, NZ/Aust Ch Nouveau Delinquent. Died
at 14.5 yrs

117. Jocelyn and Edward
Croad Australia – Hansel
NZ/Aust Ch Raweke Hansel
Died at 14.8 yrs. Sired his last
litter at 14 yrs.



118. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Phoebe -Ch Rosndae
Up Town Girl. Born 18/8/2000 died 2015.

Phoebe was a devoted mother and had four litters and in
that four litters she never lost a puppy and successfully
whelped 21 puppies, many of which became champions.



119. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Boston Ch Rosndae (Charlie Brown) was born 18-11-2004 to 13-02-2019



120. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Lucy Locket Ch Raweke Lucy Locket, was born 28-06-2002 to 24-08-2015



Ros and Dave Finch Australia, Lucy and Boston mother and son



121. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Chelsea- Ch Rosndae Sunset Glow was born 29-09-03 to 18-11-19



122. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Meggy Ch Rosndae Magic Moments) was born 28-09-01 to 23-03-17



123. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Misha Ch Rosndae Charlies Angel 28-02-09 and is still with us.



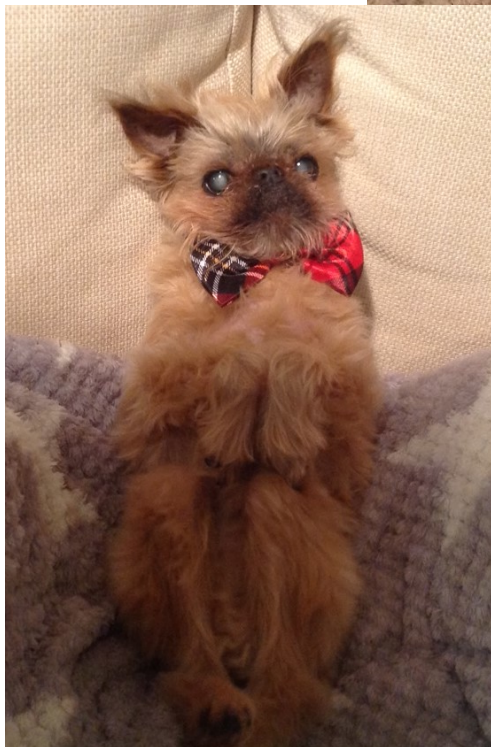
124. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Rosie Ch Rosndae Desert Rose Was born 18-12-06 and is still with us.



125. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Sophie Azande Putn on the Ritz was born 19-11-98 to 21-03-10



126. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Peaches Ch
Rosndae Peaches and Cream 15-01-06 and is still
with Sylvia



127. Kerryyn Lefoe Australia Rosndae Cool Dude
Born 29-09-2003 and died in October 2019



128. Jocelyn and Edward Croad
Australia Raweke Tassie Tiger -dob
29 June 2002- died 2016

129. Jocelyn and Edward Croad Australia
Ch Raweke Buster Brown b Nov 2004 died
29 June 2020



130. Sue Brewin Australia Ch Rosndae Captain
Nemo b 17-11-04 and died on 25-08-2018



131. Shane Thomas Australia Kingsleigh,
Supreme Ch Toitoti Northn Kiwi 2008-2020

132. Shane Thomas Australia, Dom Ch
Nouveau Dominican b 2010 and still
going strong



133. Shane Thomas Australia Micky, Sup Ch
Raweke Micky Mouse b 2001 died 2016



134. Michelle Parker Brien Australia – Dolly – Ch Balliol Dolly Dimple 11.5 years of age



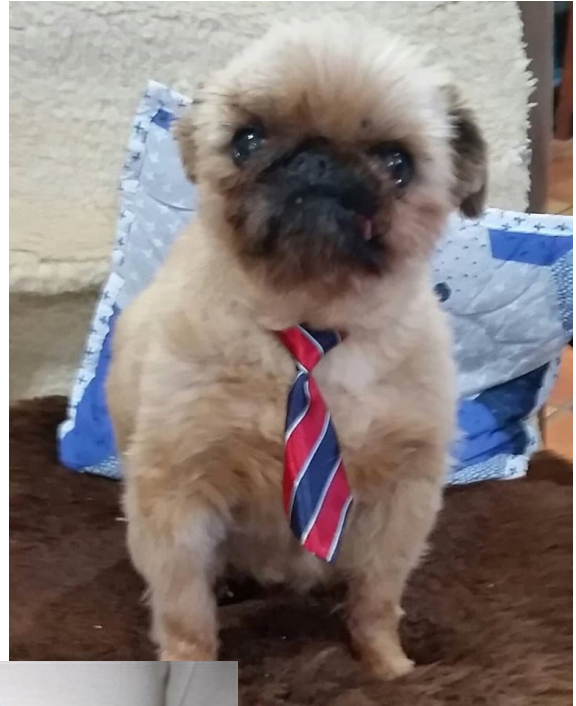
135. Ros and Dave Finch Australia Bronte 14yrs



136. Liz Hollingshead Australia Ch Raweke Nellie Knickerbokers 17.06.2007 - 17.04.2020. Aka 'Bubble'.



137. Liz Hollingshead Australia- Raweke Adelaide Almighty – 11.6 yrs



138. Liz Hollingshead Australia Raweke Augustus Almighty 11.6 yrs. Born with a hair lip and hand raised. Still happy and active



Liz Hollingshead The Almighty twins, Augustus and Adelaide as babies