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Happy New Year



The Phoenix

Summer 2018





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Denis Montford

The aims of the club are:

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

Life Member – In Memorium

Kerri Taylor



Summer Griffons

Beedle enjoys dining out in Summer

*Bowski and George use the phone to
chat to each other*





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Show Leads--\$15

The club has a limited number of superfine show leads for sale.

These leads have been handmade and are in a red brown colour specifically chosen to blend in with the red Griffon colour so that they look almost invisible and do not break the line of the dog's neck.

They are a slip lead and so light that the dog cannot feel the lead.

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Presidents Report

(The President's report presented at the AGM December 2017)

The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW 2017 Presidents Report

Once again, we have had another very successful year for our Club and have achieved many positive things for the club and the breed.

Championship Shows

We held our 5th and 6th Championship shows with judge Ms K Sunn and Ms E Cross officiating and Once again we had a strong entry with close to 50 Griffons entered and very few absentees.

Point Score

The club point score competition was once more a great success with strong Griffon entries at the designated shows, thanks to the

enthusiasm and support of our members.

The winner of the 2016-2017 Point Score was Ch Raweke Toby Lannister, owned and bred by Shane Thomas and handled and prepared by Jannelle Tremenheere. He also won the Puppy Pointscore as well.

The point score had 31 dogs competing in the nominated shows. The point score was developed to promote the exhibition of quality Griffon Bruxellois and the strength and depth of quality in the breed can be seen in the many and varied dogs who have been so successful in many shows.

Promoting the breed

RSPCA Million Paws Walk

The club participated in The Million Paws Walk in order to demonstrate that Brachycephalic breeds can be fit and healthy.

About 25 members and Griffons gathered at Olympic Park in Sydney and the Griffons had a wonderful time.

Dogs on Show

The club had a successful breed stand at Dogs on Show and had a large group in the Pageant of Breeds parade.

We were successful in winning the prize for the Most Colourful Breed Stand

Dog Lovers Show

We supported the Dog Lovers Show for the 4th year and once more it was highly successful. The club had a double stand which made it easier to accommodate the many people who wanted to see the Griffons. The crowds both days were huge and the Griffons attracted a lot of attention.

We were fortunate to have a lot of support from our members and had over 20 people assisting over the two days. This allowed each person to get a break and we were able to give the Griffons some timeout to have a rest and escape the crowds for a short while. We are very grateful for the whole-hearted support we get from our members for events like this.

Griffon Buyer Register

The Griffon Buyer Register which was developed in 2014 to assist people in buying a Griffon has gone from strength to strength. Because we are a large club with almost all the quality Griffon breeders in Australia and New Zealand as members, we are in a position to advise people when puppies are available. This has led to an increased membership, we have successfully helped a number of people get a Griffon and we have been able to educate and support members of the public so that they do not choose to get a pup from pet shops or puppy farmers.

In addition, through this register we have several new show exhibitors who have never shown before and the club members have mentored and supported them in their first few showing experiences.



There were not many pups born during 2016-17 so there is still a waiting list. Griffons have always been hard to breed and our members never breed commercially so there have not been many Griffons available

Website and Facebook page.

The club's website continues to provide information on the breed and promoting members achievements. It can be found at <http://oz.dogs.net.au/griffons/>

The Face book page – Griffon News can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/298220046898430/>

and provided news and information about Griffons for members and overseas Griffon owners.

Rescue

There was one requiring rescue in the past 12 months.

She was a bitch owned by a puppy farmer who discarded her heavily in milk when she was no longer useful

Our club worked with the Griffon Club of Queensland to rescue her and she is still undergoing rehabilitation with our rescue officer and making great progress

Maintaining Quality in Griffon Breeding

All Griffon breeders who are members of our club abide by a strict Code of Ethics.

We work to continue to educate members and potential Griffon buyers about ethical breeding practices and to provide them with advice about identifying unethical and commercial breeders. With the rising popularity of Griffons we have seen an increase in commercial and unethical breeding practices and we work with the other two Griffon clubs in Australia to try to minimise the detrimental impact of these breeders

We also continue to be vigilant in our fight against unethical breeding practices. Our members are very supportive in this and often report inappropriate breeding and advertising of Griffons so that we can take action if they are registered breeders.

We continue to try to educate the public and have been happy to welcome new members who are helping to support us

Health

Our club continues to support health research for Griffons. We ensure that members are kept fully informed about the latest health research findings and problems and support proven, reputable research.

Membership

Our membership has grown rapidly over the past year and at the moment we have just under 200 members who are all Griffon owners or Griffon lovers. We ensure that we meet the needs of all members, exhibitors and pet owners alike.

We have been happy to welcome 5 new exhibitors into the ring with their Griffons and the club mentors and assists these people.

New exhibitors are the life blood of the breed and we need to keep encouraging them if the breed is to continue and not stagnate

We have a strict code of conduct for all members which includes the way members treat dogs and the way they behave and communicate with other members. We expect all members to comply with this.

Sadly, we have had to take action against a member for extreme neglect and mistreatment of a Griffon. The club was obliged to take the unprecedented step of expulsion from the club for serious breaches.

Again, the club was able to work proactively with the breeders and the little Griffon was returned to the breeders and has been successfully nursed back to health and fitness

Newsletter

The club produces a newsletter 'The Phoenix' which is issued quarterly and is full of information from Australia and overseas with items of interest for both show and pet owners.



Committee

As in most clubs in this busy life we have a small but very hardworking committee.

I would like to thank the Secretary Jannelle Tremenheere, Treasurer, Dave Finch and the committee members- Jane Wistuba, Ros Finch, Claire Parker, Terri Odell, Victoria Mercer and Ashleigh Barber for their help and support in the past 12 months.

I would also like to thank all our members for their ongoing support and enthusiasm they show for the club and our wonderful little dogs.

We have always been proud to call our club the friendly club and I feel that we are successfully maintaining this.

Michelle Parker Brien (President) 2016-2017



Secretary's Report (2016/2017)

Report tabled at AGM

2017 has been another successful year for The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW and our success would not have been achievable without the help and dedication of our devoted Committee and club members.

This year the decision was made to hold two Championship shows in one day and WOW what a success that was with an entry of over 50 Griffon at both shows. Our Judge for the Gold show was Dr Kate Sun and our Judge for the Silver show was Errolynn Cross who kindly filled in at the last minute when Philip Poulton had pulled out due to work commitments.

Our Show Secretary and Trophy Manager outdid themselves yet again this year, our trophy table which was decorated in our club colours of purple and pink looked fantastic. Thank you to Claire Parker and Ashleigh Barber for purchasing and organising our trophies they were a huge hit with the winners.

The food table was beautifully presented and prepared by Jane Wistuba, thank you Jane for allowing the club to draw on your expertise and knowledge of food presentation and also a big thank you to all members who kindly donated food items, as always, the judge, steward, NSW representative, visiting exhibitors and international guests were extremely impressed.

Fern Feaver and her Mother Sandie Meads decided that another trip down under was in order to attend our show. So they made the trip all the way from New Zealand and watched a dog they co-bred with David Fifield win best in Show at the Gold Show- Supreme CH Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris (Imp NZL) Congratulations Sandie and David and owners Ashleigh and Michelle.

It was also nice to see a new Griffon exhibitor win Best in Show at our Silver show. Well done to Christine Langford on Shigriff Should have been a Cowboy's Best in Show win -he looked fantastic.

Rachel Taylor was our official photographer again this year, thank you for taking the time out to photograph our wonderful breed. The committee and exhibitors were thrilled by the quality of photos taken.

A big thank you to our Steward Sharon Squires our club appreciates you giving up your time to steward our show. Also thank you to Kathy Mins who attends our shows in the capacity of dogs NSW Representative.

In summary I would like to thank the show committee and club members who donated their time to help make this show a success and look forward to our 2018 Shows.

We attended the Dog Lovers Show in August this year and again we had another successful two days. After last year's Dog Lovers Show Ashleigh Barber our Vice President came up with the brilliant idea to charge a gold coin donation to have a picture taken with a Griffon. This was very successful and we raised a considerable sum of money for our rescue griffon Kia. The pictures were taken using a life like cut out of Chewbacca as the background and the Griffons dressed up in Star War themed costumes. The public fell in love with our wonderful breed all over again with lines six



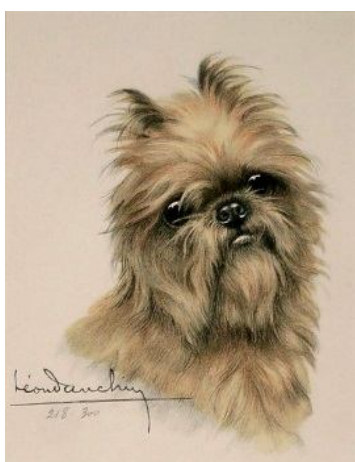
and seven deep. Thank you to the Executive and all of our wonderful members who donated their time the club would not be able to attend events such as this without your support.

I would also like to thank everyone who acted very quickly in making Kia's rescue successful in particular Lysanda who volunteered to pick her up and Jocelyn Croad who looked after her for several weeks until Michelle and I could pick her up.

A big shout goes out to all of our members who kindly donated money to help care for Kia the club really appreciates your support.

Our Point Score competition for 2016 – 2017 was again very successful due to the large number of Griffons entered at these shows. We received positive comments from other exhibitors and judges were delighted to be judging such a large breed entry of Griffons. Club members should give themselves a pat on the back for their support at these shows. Congratulations to the winners and good luck to everyone for the 2017-2018 Point Score competition.

Jannelle Tremenheere
Secretary 2016/2017



Editors Notes

After the Christmas break we now have a busy year ahead of us. Our Griffons all enjoyed their Christmas and so many were thoroughly spoilt. There are a number of photos of them in this issue. Looking forward we also have the Easter shows – Sydney Royal and our club double Championship show and there is information about them. One of the major concerns is the very detrimental proposed Dog and Cat Breeding legislation that the NSW government is considering. If it is enacted it will mean that only puppy farmers will be able to breed dogs. It was intended to stop puppy farming but is so badly constructed that it will have the opposite effect.

The article on this can be seen in this issue and we ask all members to contact their local members. I would like to thank all members who have knowingly and unknowingly contributed to this issue and I hope you enjoy it.



*Ygrette and Osha,
rushing to read this
issue*



Griffon Corner

AGM December

The club held the AGM in December at the Christmas show at Hillsborough. Despite the appalling weather and heavy rain, we still managed to get through the elections efficiently.

We would like to welcome some new faces to our committee and executive. A big welcome to our new Treasurer, Matt O Sullivan. Matt has been a member of the club for a number of years. Although he is not an exhibitor he has been a supporter of our club and has helped with the setting up and running of our shows for the past two years.

Treasurer Matt O Sullivan

Welcome also to our new committee members; Nicola McLean who is the proud mother of Betty Draper and to Tammie Cheng, owner of Gigi Gorgeous, who is now on the Events Committee.

Nicola McLean



Tammie Cheng

Over the past 12 that events person so the

hopefully we will be able to arrange more fun outings and gatherings for members. The committee consists of Sharyn Wood (Chair) Ashleigh Barber, Claire Parker and Tammie Cheng.

A big thank you goes to **Ros and Dave Finch** who decided not to nominate for any positions this year and are taking a well-earned break.

Ros and Dave have been on the executive and committee since the club formed. Ros has been the Social Secretary and Dave has been both Vice President and more recently Treasurer.

Ros and Dave Finch

The club is very grateful for the help that they have given the club over the years. They are still strong supporters of the club and I know that we will be seeing them at shows.

The rest of the committee and executive remain the same and I know that they will work as successfully as they always have.



The Events Committee is new and has been formed to manage the organisation of public events like Dogs on Show, The Dog Lovers Show, Million Paws Walk etc and also club events like Griffon gatherings and parties etc.

months it has been increasingly obvious organisation was too big a job for a single committee has been formed and





Future Dock Dog

Little Lebowski, owned and trained by Ryan and Vickie Clements is following in the pawprints of his big Boxer friends and learning how to be a Dock dog. He is already showing skills in jumping into the water to retrieve so he looks like he is a natural.



Christmas TV Star

Rory, owned and trained by Terri Odell starred in his first TV commercial before Christmas. He was an elf in the Christmas K Mart advertisements. Terri said that the hardest part was getting him to keep his hat on!!

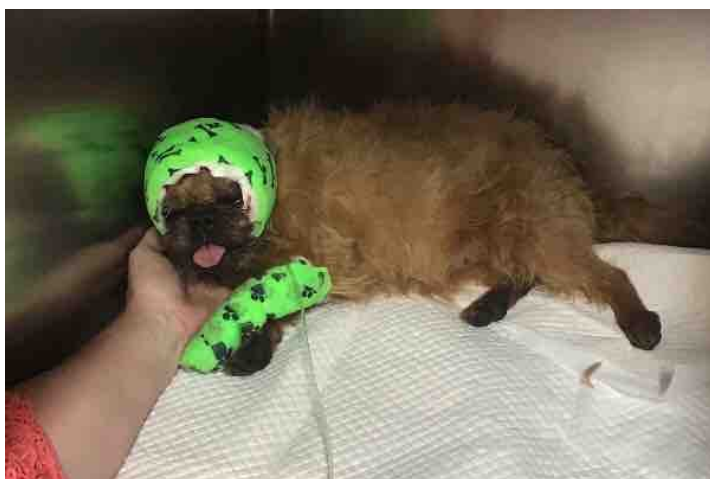


Library Griffon

In Perth a Griffon called Eric the Brave has become a reading dog at the local library. He helps calm the children and encourages to read as they love to read to him. As one of the roles of Griffons historically, was to be a companion dog, they are perfectly suited to this.

Griffon attacked and scalped by neighbour's dog

An 11 years old Griffon in Melbourne was brutally attacked by the neighbouring dog. This dog had been digging under the fence and when Koko looked into the hole the dog seized her head, ripping the skin off her scalp and causing horrific injuries.



not take any action.

The damage was so extensive that the vets were unable to stitch her head and she had to remain in intensive care at the vet clinic. Her young owner, Ryley Ulrich, was unable to pay for the veterinary expenses and started a Go Fund me campaign to raise the necessary money.

Sadly, the neighbours refused to accept any responsibility and removed the dog from their property.

The story appeared on a Channel 9 News report and the police were informed but without the neighbour's dog and witness statements they claimed that they could



The good news is that Griffon owners around Australia rallied to support Koko and Kathy Grass of the Victorian Griffon Club was able to take donations to the vet clinic and meet Koko. Our club also donated money towards her recovery.

I am pleased to say that Koko demonstrated that typical Griffon sturdiness and despite the severity of her injuries has made a steady recovery. After 3 weeks of intensive care she was well enough to go home although she still needs to go into the vet clinic every second day for a change of dressing.

The vets are very happy with how she is healing. She may never have hair on her head again and she has lost an ear but she is expected to fully recover.

Griffon Fashion Footware



Sharyn Wood has been splurging on two pairs of Griffon shoes. Both look great. What the well dressed Griffon owner is wearing this year!!

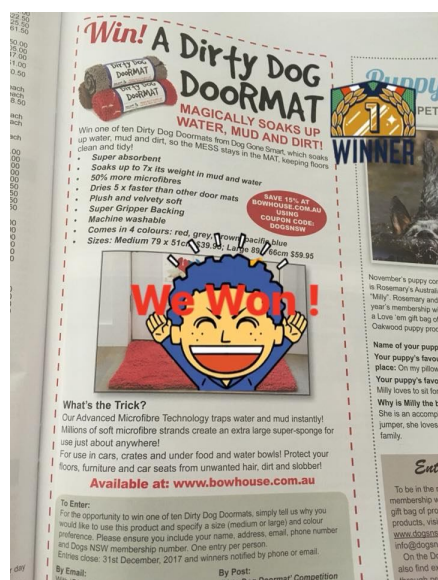


Jodie Frazer received a great Christmas present featuring her Griffons, Henry and Lexie; an individual portrait of each was given to her by her in-laws for Christmas.



We all know that Griffons make wonderful nurses or Doctors when we are not well but they have shown yet another talent. They are also accomplished Nannies and babysitters as well. Here, **Lily and Dwight**, owned by **Blake and Adam Zur**, are on baby-sitting duty with 4 month old Elijah. Both making sure he is well guarded and warm.





worked!!!!

Sharyn Wood won a competition from Dogs NSW and a prize a very handy Dirty Dog Door mat.

It was actually her Griffons George and Billy who won the prize as they wrote a letter to Santa saying why they wanted to give Sharyn a Christmas present

No doubt about Griffons – they are smart little dogs!!

The boys even managed to dirty their feet just so Sharyn could test it out- it



Adelaide Griffon Gathering

There is no Griffon club in South Australia and very few ANKC registered Griffon breeders but there is a very enthusiastic group of Griffon owners. They all got together on January 7th for a gathering of Griffons and a few other non-Griffons. Although the day was a bit warm they had a good turn up and a great time was had by all



Kait Elder got down and dirty with the Tough Mudder endurance competition in Sydney just before Christmas





Christmas Griffon Elves

Our Griffons are all loved and spoilt and never more so than at Christmas when they dress up and join in the celebrations. Some were not quite as enthused about the costumes!!

Beedle and Rocky



Betty and Bunny

Billy and George



Kia



Rocky



Luna





Easter Dates to Remember

The Easter shows in are some of the busiest times of the year for our members

Sydney Royal Benches before the show opens to the public

Sydney Royal

Griffon judging at **Sydney Royal** is on Friday 23rd March 2018 so if you are thinking of coming to The Sydney Royal why not come on the 23rd and say hello to all the Griffon exhibitors.

For competitors the closing day of entry entries for the dog section are:

- Wednesday 17 January 2018. (all entries except those listed below) (CLOSED)
- Entries for the baby puppy conformation and sweepstakes close on Wednesday 14 February 2018.
- Entries for imported dogs (less than 3 months in the country) close on Monday 22 January 2018. Online entries can be found via this link

[https://www.myras.com.au/res/onlineshowentries/\(S\(lsrqgm3z2qunr0wncy0p0knu\)\)/DogDefault.aspx](https://www.myras.com.au/res/onlineshowentries/(S(lsrqgm3z2qunr0wncy0p0knu))/DogDefault.aspx)



Griffons meeting the public at the Royal last year

Sydney Royal Schedule

<http://www.rasnw.com.au/globalassets/document-library/rasnw/competitions/dog/2018dogscheduleweb.pdf>



Scenes from the ring and benches at last year's Sydney Royal





The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc.



Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Championship Shows

Our two NSW Griffon Specialty shows run by our club are the day after Sydney Royal-
Saturday March 24th and the schedule is on the next page.

These two shows are held at the Hillsborough Dog
Showgrounds at Charlestown and all members are

welcome.

Even if you do not show your Griffons we would love to see you at the
show so to say hello and join us in a champagne buffet lunch between the
shows.

Bring your Griffons as a cheer squad, bring a chair to sit on and come and
have a pleasant Griffon Day out



Entries Close 14 March 2018



THE COUNTRY GRIFFON BRUXELLOIS CLUB OF NSW

DOUBLE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

CNCC DOG COMPLEX, HILLSBOROUGH RD,
HILLSBOROUGH

SATURDAY 24 MARCH 2018

Classes to be judged: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11 & 18 (dogs & bitches), Veterans 7 years & over

Entries to: The Show Secretary, C/- 338 Wilson St, Darlington 2008
Ph & Extreme Weather Ph 0459 169 096
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JUDGES
AM Show: Mr P Poulton (NSW)
Griffon Bruxellois
PM Show: Mr D Kill (QLD)
Griffon Bruxellois

Order of Judging Alphabetical
Judging Commences AM Show 9.30 am, PM Show: not before 12.00 pm
Dogs NSW Representative Mrs K Minns
Entry Fees Members: \$15.00 first, \$10.00 subsequent,
Non Members: \$30.00 first, \$20.00 subsequent,
Catalogues Included in first entry
Lunch break between shows

Property Classes (AM Show only) Entry \$5.00
Best Head: Rough & Smooth, Best Coat: Rough & Smooth, Best Gaited, Best Top
Line & Tail Set, Best Brace, Best Breeders Team (3-5 Dogs same prefix)
Parade of Golden Oldies for Dogs aged 10 and over not competing.
Free entry, held at beginning of show

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Donations Requested

Gold Show



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TROPHY	VALUE
Best in Show	\$75.00
Runner Up Best in Show	\$50.00
Opposite in Show	\$15.00
Dog Challenge	\$15.00
Reserve Dog Challenge	\$10.00
Bitch Challenge	\$15.00
Reserve Bitch Challenge	\$10.00
Baby in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Baby in Show	\$15.00
Minor in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Minor in Show	\$15.00
Puppy in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Puppy in Show	\$15.00
Junior in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Junior in Show	\$15.00
Intermediate in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Intermediate in Show	\$15.00
Aust Bred in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Aust Bred in Show	\$15.00
Open in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Open in Show	\$15.00
Veteran in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Veteran in Show	\$15.00
Neuter in Show	\$25.00
Opposite Neuter in Show	\$15.00
Parade of Golden Oldies	\$10.00
Best Smooth Head	\$10.00
Best Rough Head	\$10.00
Best smooth coat	\$10.00
Best Rough Coat	\$10.00
Best Gaited	\$10.00
Best Topline and Tail Set	\$10.00
Best Breeders Team	\$10.00
Best Brace	\$10.00

RIBBON	VALUE
Best in Show	\$18.00
Runner Up Best in Show	\$15.00
Opposite in Show	\$13.00
Dog Challenge	\$13.00
Reserve Dog Challenge	\$13.00
Bitch Challenge	\$11.00
Reserve Bitch Challenge	\$11.00
Baby in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Baby in Show	\$7.00
Minor In Show	\$9.00
Opposite Minor in Show	\$7.00
Puppy in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Puppy in Show	\$7.00
Junior in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Junior in Show	\$7.00
Intermediate in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Intermediate in Show	\$7.00
Aust Bred in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Aust Bred in Show	\$7.00
Open in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Open in Show	\$7.00
Veteran in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Veteran in Show	\$7.00
Neuter in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Neuter in Show	\$7.00

donations for our Championships shows.

We keep our membership fees very low so we ask for help for the funding of our shows.

We have two shows – the Gold and Silver Show and we need your help to maintain our usual high standard of trophies.

All donations are welcome and the amounts can be seen in the tables. Please make your donation by direct deposit to

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

And write your surname and 'Trophies' as your reference.

When you donate could you please email our Show Secretary Claire

Parker to let her know specific trophy you are donating so you name can go in our catalogue. You can contact her at lafolepbgv@yahoo.com.au

Silver Show



TROPHY	VALUE	RIBBON	VALUE
Best in Show	\$75.00	Best in Show	\$18.00
Runner Up Best in Show	\$50.00	Runner Up Best in Show	\$15.00
Opposite in Show	\$15.00	Opposite in Show	\$13.00
Dog Challenge	\$15.00	Dog Challenge	\$13.00
Reserve Dog Challenge	\$10.00	Reserve Dog Challenge	\$13.00
Bitch Challenge	\$15.00	Bitch Challenge	\$11.00
Reserve Bitch Challenge	\$10.00	Reserve Bitch Challenge	\$11.00
Baby in Show	\$25.00	Baby in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Baby in Show	\$15.00	Opposite Baby in Show	\$7.00
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Opposite Aust Bred in Show	\$15.00	Opposite Aust Bred in Show	\$7.00
Open in Show	\$25.00	Open in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Open in Show	\$15.00	Opposite Open in Show	\$7.00
Veteran in Show	\$25.00	Veteran in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Veteran in Show	\$15.00	Opposite Veteran in Show	\$7.00
Neuter in Show	\$25.00	Neuter in Show	\$9.00
Opposite Neuter in Show	\$15.00	Opposite Neuter in Show	\$7.00



Showing Your Dog

With the club Easter shows coming up it is a great time to think about showing your Griffon or if you are an exhibitor, getting some training and practice in ready for the big days.

Experienced exhibitors can make it look very easy but there is more to showing than appears on the surface.

The secret is training and lots of praise and encouragement.

ANKC Registration

In order to show your dog, it must be registered with the ANKC, through one of the State Kennel control bodies- Dogs NSW, Dogs Vic etc.

The registered owner of the dog must also be a member of one of the state control bodies

The Purpose of Showing

All pedigreed dogs have a breed standard and this is a blueprint for the breed. It dictates the requirements of each breed. The judge knows the breed standard and judges each dog against the breed standard.

If you are exhibiting it is important that you read the standard so that you understand what the judge is looking for. (There is a breed lecture for trainee judges at Orchard Hills on Monday 29th January at 7pm. This is a good opportunity for new exhibitors to learn about the breed standard)

The Three Parts of Showing

Showing a dog is in 3 sections and each activity allows the judge to see a particular aspect of the dog. They are:

1. The Table
2. The Gait
3. The Free stand

The Table

The Griffon is tabled to allow the judge to examine it. The handler stands the dog in a way that shows the Griffon off to its best advantage and makes it look as much like the breed standard as possible.

The judge will look at the head, shoulders and front angulation, top line, ribbing, coat texture, tail set, hind angulation balance and overall breed type.

The dog is always stood with its head held in your right hand.

It requires training to get the dog to stand confidently on the table and stand still while a stranger examines the it.





It helps to stand your dog in front of a mirror when training so that you can see what the judge sees.



A good handler can make a dog look fabulous, a poor handler can make the same dog look awkward and unbalanced. Training your dog for the table is a slow steady process with lots of praise and rewards

Start off with food and lots of praise when the dog stands still.

Using the food as seen in the photo on the left you can try to walk the dog into position. It is essential that you give instant praise as soon as the dog responds.

At first just get the dog to stand still, after that you can move the feet into the correct position.

When the dog is relaxed and comfortable on the table then you can try stacking him.

Place one hand under the chest and the other under the belly between the back legs. Gently place the dog on the table and praise. At first the dog will be tense. Keep praising until the dog relaxes. Then you can start to put the feet into position. This may take several days – Be patient

To adjust the legs-Always take hold of the front leg by the elbow – never the wrist. Place the back leg by holding the hock. When placing the back leg make sure that the hock is straight to the ground and not angled out.

Keep praising the dog and stroking with the hand you have now moved under the chin. Only do it for a few seconds to begin with and gradually lengthen the time the dog holds the stand as the dog relaxes.

The top line should be level not hunched. Stroke down the back to relax the dog.

Once you have your dog used to standing on the table get other people to come and pat him gently while you stack him and constantly praise.

When he is standing calmly then stack him in front of a mirror so you can see what the judge sees. Sometimes you may need to straighten the feet or hold the head a little higher or lower to get the dog looking its best

The Mouth

Also get the dog used to having his mouth checked. Begin by running your finger gently across the lips and praise as the dog accepts it. Then extend this to gently lifting the lips with lots of praise. I use a command word "Mouth" so the dog knows what I want.

Eventually the dog will happily allow you to show its teeth by lifting the lips. If you feel the judge is a bit rough checking the mouth then you can show the mouth yourself when the judge approaches the head



The Gait

The dog is required to move at a steady trot so that the judge can see if the dog is moving correctly. The gait of a dog tells the judge a lot about the dog's construction, balance and angulation. You do



not need to run with a Griffon but should move with a steady walk. The lead should be loose so that the dog can move freely. Griffons hate a tight lead around their throat and will not move well. Also, a tight lead prevents the dog from moving out and restricts the length of stride.

Training a dog to gait requires a lot of patience and praise. You want the dog to work with you, not ignore you or fight the lead.



The biggest mistake new exhibitors make is to have the lead too tight. It should be just firm enough to not slide down the neck but no tighter.

The lead should be placed behind the ears at the top of the neck.

Talk to the dog constantly and encourage them. At first concentrate on getting them to walk happily next to you – on the left side.

The dog may walk a little in front of you or alongside you. Never drag the dog. Your training should always be positive and use praise or food treats when the dog is doing what you want.

The judge is looking for a dog that will step out confidently with a level top line and a tail held up high

At all times the dog should do a steady trot and not break gait. As a handler you should determine the right pace for you dog. Practice will show the speed that shows the dog to his best advantage

There are 3 patterns used when gaiting:

- The circle
- The Out and Back
- The triangle

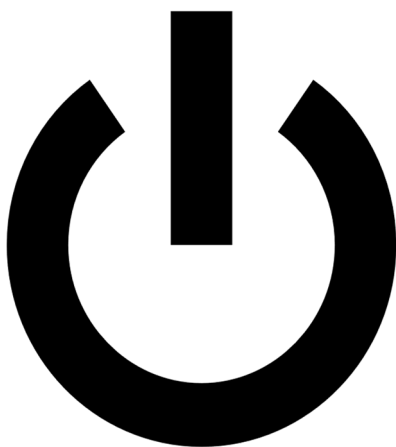
At all times the dog is on your left. Always listen closely to the judge as they will tell you what gaiting pattern that they want

The Circle

The circle involves gaiting the dog around the ring and back to the judge. It gives the judge an opportunity to observe the dogs side gait so that they can see length of stride, top line when on the move and head carriage. The dog should be confident and have the head and tail up.

Direction of dog

Judge



When gaiting your dog - talk to the dog when in the ring, do not stare at the judge but watch your dog to make sure they are gaiting at their best.

Your dog should always be your main focus.

Glance up at the judge and glance at the direction you need to go but mainly watch your dog so that you can correct instantly if he breaks gait or loses a bit of confidence.

A good handler tries to keep the dog looking its best the whole time in the ring.

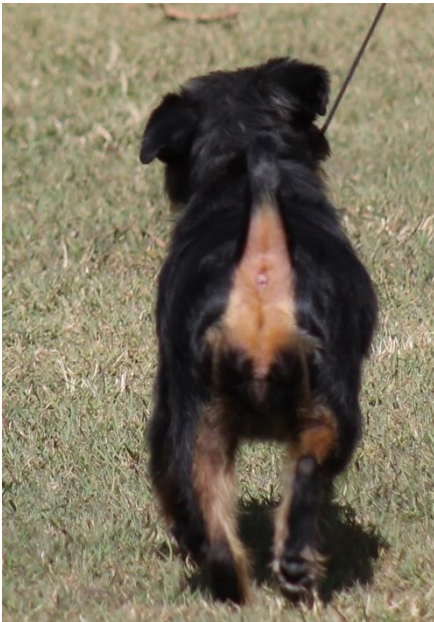
If gaiting in a circle with other dogs always be aware of the other dogs. Do not gait too closely to the dog in front of you.





If the person behind you is gaiting too close to your dog and upsetting it, stop, turn around, and then start off again. If they persist, ask them to give you space.

The Out and Back



The purpose of the out and back is to give the judge the opportunity to see the rear gait of the dog as he goes away and the front gait as he returns. The judge is looking for such things as a straight gait without cow hocks, bow legs, elbows out or too tight. As a handler you need to go in a straight line directly away from the judge.

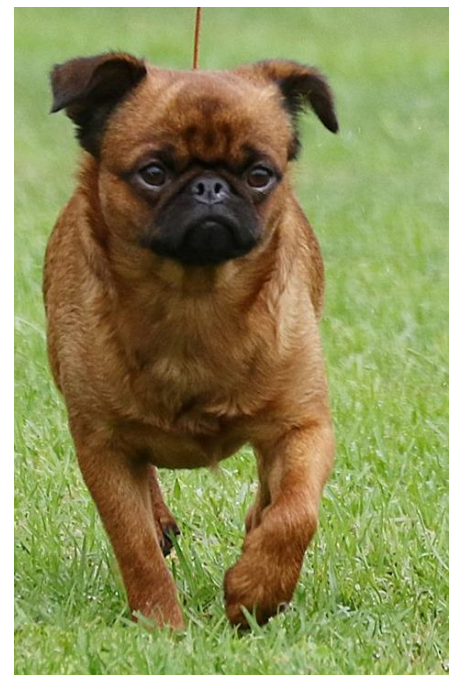
When you turn around you need to line up the judge and come back in a straight line to the judge with the dog heading to the judge.

When you approach the judge you need to stop about 6 feet in front so that the judge can see the dog. Don't stop so close to the judge that you almost knock

them over. Teach the dog to stop in a free stand on his toes and alert.

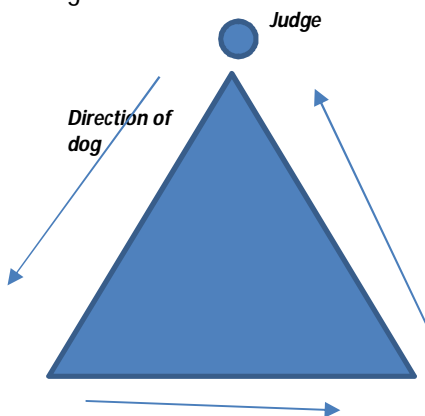
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You should move at a steady pace so that the dog is moving at an even trot



The Triangle

The Triangle allows the judge to see both side gait and front and rear gait.



When doing the triangle you move directly away from the judge to the corner, then move across the back of the ring and return in a straight line to the judge. Once again the pace should be steady, not running and the dog should move at an even trot, not galloping or breaking gait.





The Free Stand

The free stand is the hardest to train and it involves the dog standing in front of you on a loose lead, looking alert and showing himself off to his best advantage.

Correct Straight front

The dog should stand still in this position to allow the judge to assess him and his overall demeanour and construction.

Ideally a Griffon is not stacked and held on the ground. like some other breeds but free stands.

To train you need food as a treat and you use it to walk the dog into position, as you did for the table.



Use a command word like 'show' or 'stand' so the dog understands what you want.

At first just concentrate on getting the dog to stand still

Baby learning to free stand

Start with a very short time of a few seconds and then over time gradually increase the time. Give lots of praise. At this stage the most important thing is

to get the dog standing still and looking happy and alert as he does it.



Once the dog is confident standing still then work on getting the feet in the perfect position.

Two Adults Free standing



In the perfect free stand you will stand in front of the dog, the dog's front feet will be straight down in front of him not turning in or out.

The dog's hindquarters will be stretched back

slightly with the hocks straight.

The top line will be level.

The dog will be alert and have his neck slightly stretched up and forward.

Training the dog to stand like this will take time and lots of food and praise. Use the food to encourage the dog to move forward or back to get the feet into place. When the dog puts his feet into the position you want then praise instantly and reward.

Eventually the dog will understand what you want and will go into the stand you want.



Standing in front of the dog to encourage the free stand in the correct position

It is important that the free stand shows the dog off to his best advantage. If the back feet are too far under the body the dog will look hunched and lose the level top line so practice, patience and consistency in training is essential. Training and showing should be fun for the dog. If it is not then you are probably not making the training enjoyable for the dog. All the best behaved dogs get regular training and because Griffons love to please they will respond very well to praise.

Show Outfits

- Your show clothes should be neat and tidy with no loose flappy bits of fabric, long jangling beads or jewellery or any item which could distract the dog
- The colour of your clothes should contrast with your dog. Don't wear black if you have a black dog as the dog will not be seen clearly against the background.
- Wear comfortable and practical clothes that will allow you to bend over with decorum- skirts should not be so short that you show your

knickers

- Shoes should be flat and easy to walk briskly in on grass-no high heels
- Skirts should not be too loose and floaty or too long as they will flap in the dog's face
- Men's clothes should be neat and tidy. Make sure pockets do not have jingling coins or keys etc

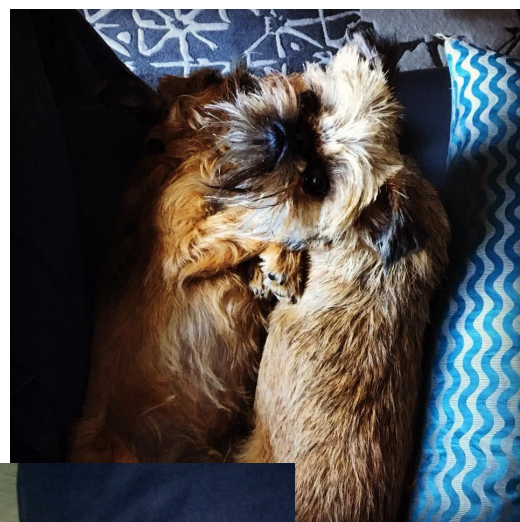
And last but not least- relax and have fun. Nerves travel down the lead and can prevent the dog from showing at its best



Summertime Relaxation

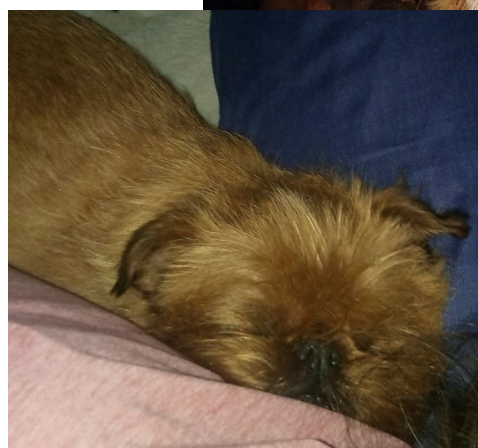
A bundle of babies belonging to Sandie Mead

Benny and Lola have a summer snooze



More summer snoozing from Nancy

Annicka at the beach





The Tale of the Trolley



Jannelle Tremenheere inherited a small storage trolley from Ashleigh Barber, who no longer needed it. It was a small blue trolley with two shelves and Jannelle thought it would be handy to place near the bathroom with spare towels in it. Despite the fact that Miss Pansie Parkinson has a choice of several soft beds and two lounges to sit on, she decided that the trolley was hers.

Jannelle found her sound asleep on the clean towels. Pansie continued to use the trolley and Jannelle had to put clean towels in it every day for Pansie to use. Pansie was not impressed when anyone was rude enough to disturb her.



Then there was a take- over bid.

Cunningly waiting until Pansie was asleep, little Miss Devina crept up and sneaked onto the trolley and curled up quietly next to her.

Now it's a two Griffon trolley and Jannelle still has nowhere to put her towels!!

Club Instagram Page

We now have an official Club Instagram page which we will be using to promote responsible breeding and ownership of Griffons. You can follow us @Griffons_NSW. It would also be great if people could submit photos that they are happy to be used on the page in the comments below.

Submit then photos to either Claire Parker or Ashleigh Barber via their FB pages or the Griffon News page.

We are slowly building up or followers



griffons_nsw

Following Options 3 posts 49 followers 31 following

Griffons NSW

The official page of Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW, a nonprofit organisation promoting the responsible breeding and ownership of Griffons
www.griffonnsw.com



Griffon Birthdays



Happy Birthday to these Griffons

Boston, Ch Rosndae Charlie Brown celebrated his 13th birthday with a special treat

Inch High Private Eye turned 6 years of age and strongly objected to being woken up for his photo



Teasel – Ch Raweke Teasel Toadfax also turned 13

Several litter brothers and sisters also celebrated their birthdays

The Swedendreams sisters, Jennifer and Stina (Swedendreams Chiquitita and Ch. Swedendreams Dancing Queen) celebrated turning 1 at home. Sydney based litter sister Annicka celebrated her birthday with a swim



Gertie Gr Ch Balliol Gertie Giggles and her brother Dumbledore, Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald turned 7





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The Nagpuni sisters, Bunny, Betty and Lola all celebrated their first birthday in style with a lunch out at a fashionable restaurant



Also celebrating were the Beaufox boys, Bowski, Porthos and George who also turned 1. They were not able to celebrate together but each had their own little party.



George in the Southern Highlands, celebrated with Jemima, Cider and Beatrix

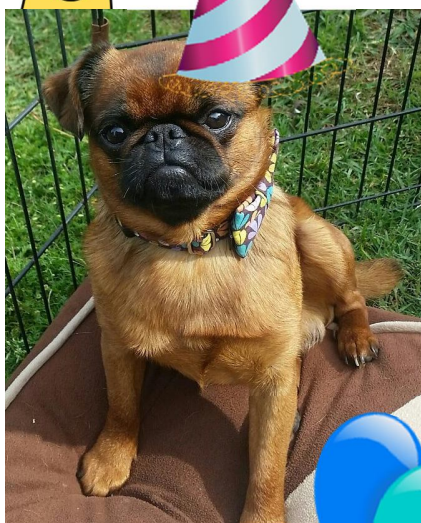
Bowski, in Perth celebrated with his Boxer family



George in Sydney, had a picnic party with all his friends, two and four legged



Luna - celebrated her 5th birthday with her two daughters, Agnes and Devina



Bart, Ch Raweke Bart, celebrated his 4th birthday

Dance was 10 in January





Healthy Dog Food

We often get asked about feeding our Griffons and there are some healthy recipes which are easy, more nutritious and cheaper than prepared supermarket food.

The food that you buy in most supermarkets, especially the canned food, cheaper dry food and treats, is the equivalent of feeding your children McDonalds all the time.

It has a lot of 'fillers', artificial flavours, fat and sugar but little nutrition. The canned foods and cheaper biscuits, use waste from animals as the protein- this will include chicken feathers, hoofs, ground bone etc plus the fat and waste meat.

Treats like Goodos, Smackos and the like are made up almost entirely of fat and artificial colours and flavours.

Feeding

We recommend a high quality dry biscuit(kibble) as a basis of the diet and this should be accompanied by a healthy nutritious wet food such as a casserole or stew.

The dry and the wet food should be given in about 50/50 quantities in a meal.

Some of the dry food brands we recommend are Royal Canin, Advance , Ala Carte, Artimus and Ziwi Peak.

If feeding a puppy use the special dry food made for puppies up to 18 months of age

These dry foods can be purchased from most pet warehouses such as Pet Stock or Pet Barn

They can they can also be purchased on line from several online outlets and are usually cheaper when purchased that way.

Ala Carte can be bought from the manufacturers at

<http://oempetcare.com/>

And of course, our own club members Terri and Grant Odell run **Pets on the Park** which also has high quality dog food including Ziwi Peak, Artimus and Advance as well as food for dogs with sensitive stomachs.

As Griffon owners they can give you the best advice for your dogs



They can be found at

<https://www.petsonthepark.com.au/>

Dog's Chicken Casserole *(To be made in a slow cooker)*

- A 2kg bag of chicken drumsticks *(a smaller quantity can be used but the 2 kg is most economical)*
- 1 bag of 1kg frozen mixed vegetable *(any combination of vegetables can be used but you should chose a variety without onion) (smaller quantity if using less chicken)*
- Dried Soup mix *(optional)*
- Brown Rice or bag of pasta *(Optional)*

Place the chicken drumsticks and the vegetables in the slow cooker and cover with water. Cook on low for about 8 hours. I usually cook overnight or during the day when at work.





If using pasta, it can be added in the last hour of cooking- mix through thoroughly.

When chicken and vegetables are cooked, place in the fridge to cool. This allows the fat to rise and set on the surface

Once cool remove the fat and discard

Now this is the messy bit- Remove each drumstick from the mixture and pull the meat off the bones. Drumsticks only have two bones – the main one and the small fine thin one. Make sure all bones are removed and then mix the meat back into the vegetables

If using brown rice it is better to cook separately and add to the meat and vegetable mix after the bones have been removed otherwise it goes gluggy.

Place the mixture into containers and refrigerate. Freeze any extra containers for later use.

When serving, dish out and heat for about 20 seconds in the microwave and mix with high quality biscuits

A **beef casserole** can be made the same way using beef mince

from the supermarket and it provides variety for your Griffons without the need to remove the bones.

NOTE: Always buy Human grade meat- never pet mince.

Pet mince has colouring and preservatives that are very detrimental. Human grade mince is subject to stricter controls and is much healthier for your Griffons



For variety use different vegetables in your casseroles- peas, beans, winter vegetables etc.

Dried soup mixes are also handy and can be kept in the pantry in case you run out of frozen vegetables and they are very economical.

You can use corn but it usually comes out the other end still intact- although it will not harm them in any way

If you want to put weight on your dog or in cold weather if you want them to have some more carbohydrate in the diet then throw some potato chips into the crock pot as well. Of course, you can use fresh vegetables but I am lazy and try to reduce the amount of

work needed so I use frozen

This casseroles basically cook themselves and it takes a no more than a minute to throw the ingredients into the crock pot and cover with water.

You will find that they are cheaper to buy than the commercially made products and they are far healthier for your Griffon.





Where should you purchase your new puppy from?



A registered pedigree dog breeder who...

- Carefully plans litters
- Raises puppies in the home
- Health tests their dogs
- Provides you with a comprehensive puppy pack including diet and general care information
- Provides you with pedigree papers
- Gives you a clean, happy and healthy puppy who has been socialised, raised with care and is free from parasites and disease
- Offers ongoing support for the life of your puppy

NSW Government Proposed Dog and Cat Breeding Legislation

Proposed Law will help puppy farmers

The NSW Government has proposed legislation that will make it illegal to breed and raise a litter of Griffon Bruxellois in your home.

The law is supposed to stop puppy farmers. Instead it is so badly written that it will help the puppy farmers and stop ethical breeders.

All good breeders keep their mothers in the home and have litters in their home so that they can give the pups 24/7 care.

The new draft legislation will make that illegal. Instead anyone who even has one litter will be classed as a commercial breeder and will have to build concrete kennels and keep the mother and pups in them.

This law if it is passed will wipe out all the ethical breeders and make it easier for puppy farmers to mass produce pups.

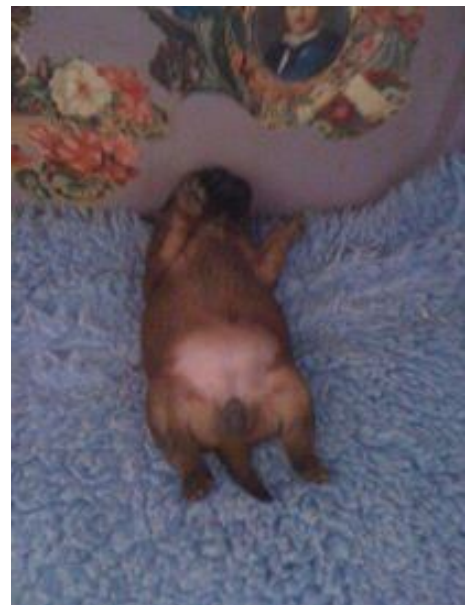
And it will still allow them to sell these pups in pet shops!!!!

No good breeder will make their Griffon suffer by having litters outside in kennels. Griffons are hard enough to breed as it is without this.



5 week old puppies in the house, playing in some old clothes. High quality breeders give their pups lots of different experiences so that they adapt to life as happy and confident pets. In the background can be seen a vacuum cleaner, used to accustom pups to household sounds

A contented puppy bred by an ethical 'Rolls Royce' breeder, in the house, on soft, clean dry bed, warm, safe and happy.



Concrete kennel blocks. This is where the NSW government wants puppies to be born and raised. This is considered to be a high standard kennel.





If you have been waiting for a Griffon puppy from an ethical breeder then you may have to wait forever if this law comes in because no one who loves their Griffons and treats them as part of their family, will be able to breed.



The NSW Government did not bother to consult Dogs NSW when drawing up this draft legislation.

Dog NSW registered breeders have to go through a 12-18 month education course which includes exams and home inspections before they are even approved to become a registered ANKC breeder.

Griffon puppies playing in the house. This type of socialisation and experience makes it easier for new owners to house train their pups. Pups will not get this attention if forced to live in a kennel

In addition, Dogs NSW members have to follow a code of ethics that states that:

A Member shall breed only with the intent of maintaining and/or improving the standard of the Breed and the health, welfare and soundness of their dogs having regard to the following:-

- (i) be being the holder of a financial ANKC Registered Prefix; and (10/17)*
- (ii) by striving to eliminate hereditary diseases within their dogs and their breed.*
- (iii) that the health, physical welfare and fitness for function of dogs is of prime importance, and*
- (iv) that a Member shall make every reasonable effort to ensure that dogs bred by them do not suffer from any disorder that impedes their sight, breathing or ability to move freely or which is otherwise detrimental to their comfort and wellbeing*

The NSW Government was not aware of any of these requirements. They only consulted the rescue groups and animal rights people and automatically assumed that all breeders are commercial.

Contented pups from a high quality breeder- again note the soft, clean bed. Good breeders do everything for the pup's welfare and comfort because their Griffons are a member of their family- not a breeding commodity



An additional worry is that some of the so-called welfare organisations have links with the big puppy farmers and pet shops.

We have long had concerns about the Animal Welfare League but now more news is coming out about their duplicity.

The is the latest news regarding this organisation:

The [Animal Welfare League NSW](#) decided to close one of its two NSW shelters (Ingleside) BUT chose to accept \$\$\$ from John Grima of Kellyville Pets (pet shop). John Grima who sits of the PIAA board currently has a planning proposal for a PUPPY FACTORY under assessment with [Bathurst Regional Council](#).

The Animal Welfare League NSW has taken nearly \$35,000 in three years, from a man who is at the exact same time trying to gain approval to build a mega-puppy farm facility to stock his pet store, and while simultaneously being legally responsible for auditing his company for welfare compliance.

Complaints can be directed to the Animal Welfare League NSW at helpingpets@awlsw.com.au



As this appears to be a conflict of interest, we would encourage people to also lodge complaints with [Niall Blair MLC](https://www.nsw.gov.au/.../minister-for-primary-industries-m...) who in his role as Minister for Primary Industries, oversees animal cruelty and the state's animal welfare authorities – RSPCA NSW and AWL NSW <https://www.nsw.gov.au/.../minister-for-primary-industries-m...>



This conflict of interest is obvious yet the Government choses to pay more attention to groups like this than to established and ethical organisations like Dogs NSW.

An 8 week old Griffon from a high quality breeder- out on the grass to continue experiencing a wide range of adventures so she develops into a confident little Griffon

Dogs NSW have issued the following statement

Proposed animal cruelty laws threaten the future of ethical dog breeding and ownership, Dogs NSW says

Dogs NSW, the peak body for all purebred dogs in New South Wales, is raising serious concerns over the proposed anti-puppy farm legislation, saying it is threatening the future of ethical dog breeding and ownership

I ask all members to contact Niall Blair and/ or their local member to tell them that this draft law is ridiculous and detrimental to all ethical registered breeders of purebred Griffons

A sample letter is available on our club website at the following link
<http://www.griffonnsww.com/proposed-govt-legislation.asp>

If this law come in as it is currently written, the only dogs available in the next few years will be dogs bred by puppy farmers with all the health problems they produce

Do you want a dog bred by someone who breeds for the love of the breed or from someone who breeds for money??



A 5 week old pup on the grass, exploring the garden under the watchful eye of her mother

Please send your protest. Remind the politicians that you vote and you care

A contented new born puppy from a high quality breeder. Clean, warm, soft bed, heat pack for additional warmth, a relaxed mother and in the home for constant care and attention





Christmas Griffon Gathering

Unfortunately, the club was unable to hold the usual Christmas party in 2017, due to many other commitments of most of our committee members. However that did not stop some of our inner Sydney members from having fun anyway.

Tom Gregory sent out an open invitation to club members and Griffon owners to meet up in Moore

Park at the end of November.

It was a relaxed and informal meeting with some of the Griffons showing the festive spirit with Christmas collars and ruffles.

The club now has an Events committee with, chaired by Sharyn Wood and we hope to have

more informal meet ups in various parts of NSW.

We are now such a large club and our members are so well distributed that we will have a number of smaller gatherings as well as the large full club picnics and events that require so much organising.

Ideas Needed

If you have any good ideas for locations or activities for Griffon Gatherings please contact our Events committee members as we are always looking for new ideas. The Events committee members are:

Chair- Sharyn Wood, Claire Parker, Tammie Cheng and Ashleigh Barber

One event that is planned when the weather is cooler is a meet up in Newcastle at the Empire Café on Honeysuckle.

This is a Star Wars themed café on the foreshore and Griffons will be able to have a walk along the harbour before we gather at the café with our little Chewies, Ewoks and Yodas for coffee. At the moment we are looking at the May /June time for this meet up so keep an eye on Griffon News for updates





You Looking at Me?!!!

Griffons giving "the look" as only they can



Bowski



Ginny



Gigi Gorgeous



Jessica and Percy



Nellie and Diablo



Janey





House training your New Puppy

So, after a long wait you have finally got your Griffon puppy.



The following are some tips to help introduce you puppy to your home and successfully toilet train it

1. When Your Puppy Arrives

You need to put yourself into your pup's mind. The puppy is a baby and has suddenly been taken from the only environment it knows and has arrived into a totally different place. It may have had a long journey, it is surrounded by strangers and it could be confused, tired or overwhelmed.

Make sure your pup has a space to call his own.

You should have a pen set up for your pup with a bed and toys so that he has somewhere to go to sleep and rest.

Some puppies will have been crate trained. If that is the case your job will be easier. A crate is like a safe little cave for your puppy, it provides a sheltered and secluded space where they can rest or hide. Place the crate in the pen and leave it open- it will become the pups bed and he will love running in and out of it when he is in the pen.

The safe pen area is especially necessary if you have children. Children can get excited and overtire both themselves and the pup so you do need a time out area which the pup will feel safe in and which the children learn to respect.

Pups are like small children, they can get over tired and they need to rest in order to grow.

The pup should also be in the pen whenever you are out or at night.

If the pup is used to sleeping in the crate you can lock him in the crate at night and this will help with the toilet training because well reared pups will always try to stay clean.

The pup may wake you in the night to go to the toilet but this is part of the toilet training and if you respond promptly and praise you will help the pup learn a lot more quickly

Never let the pup roam freely through the entire house. It is too big an area for a tiny dog and you will never toilet train them if they cannot learn to distinguish between the different areas.

To a small puppy or even a small dog the large area of a house is like a huge play area and potential toilet area. To teach the pup where you want them to toilet you start off with small spaces and gradually enlarge them as the pup grows and learns

Choosing a Pen

There are a variety of pens you can buy. Baby pens with bars are excellent and Aldi sometimes have them but they can also be bought at any baby store.

Baby pen with narrow bars.



Just make sure that the bars are close enough together so that a tiny Griffon cannot squeeze through. This pen has the advantage of making it impossible for the pup to climb out of it.



This is a pen that is made specifically for dogs and can be bought from a good dog supply site. If your puppy is not a climber then it is an excellent pen

BUT beware – Griffons do not just look like little monkeys- some of them can climb like monkeys too.

Never allow them to do this as they can seriously injure joints and bones, including displacing patellas or hips

Training your Puppy

Be aware that your puppy only has a small bladder and cannot hang on for long periods. Like children they are learning to control themselves so do not expect them to last all night or long periods during the day.

1. You need to decide what area you want your puppy to use as a toilet area.
2. You need to take you puppy to that area every time you want him to go to the toilet
3. You need to take you puppy out to the toilet
 - as soon as he wakes up,
 - after every meal
 - every hour
4. You need to pick a word to use when your pup goes to the toilet. I use 'toilet', some people say 'wee wee', some say 'potty'. It doesn't matter what word you use as long as you use the same word all the time and your family all use the same word.
5. When you are trying to get your pup to go to the toilet, you should repeat the word frequently in a happy voice
6. When the pup does go to the toilet give lots and lots of verbal praise. Griffons love to please you
7. Watch your puppy like a hawk. Because they are small signs that they want to go to the toilet can be easily missed. Watch for restlessness, sniffing the floor, walking in circles etc and take out instantly
8. If the pup has an accident in the house DO NOT yell or punish. Take the pup outside and go through steps 1-6 again.
9. If the pup is kept in a small space when you are not with him then he will learn more quickly.

A New Adult Dog

Sometimes you may get an older dog who is already housetrained.

Do not automatically expect that older dog to know what to do in your house.

The dog needs to learn their way around your house and they need to know where you want them to go to the toilet. They also need to have time to adjust to a big change in their life. DO NOT expect the dog to be telepathic and know what you want.

Treat your new older dog exactly as you would with a puppy, following steps 1-9 as listed above. A trained older dog will probably pick things up more quickly but give the dog time to adjust.

Always remember- A Griffon wants to please you. It is up to you as the owner to show the dog what actions do please you. If you are patient and consistent then the dog will be confident and will learn more quickly





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Follow Up on Jennifer

In the last issue you read about Jennifer, the little girl who was eventually returned to her breeders, Karen and Bert Olsen after running the streets and suffering severe neglect and malnutrition. After 4 months of good care she has transformed from a starved neurotic dog to a blossoming young



lady
From this-

To this in 5 months

Her owner was formally contacted by our club and asked to provide reasons for such neglect. She did not respond and at the December meeting Mironne Golan was formally expelled from our club for

serious breaches of our Code of Conduct.

This Code is shown below and it applies to all members. Please read it carefully.

We make no apology for our high standards.



The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc Members Code of Conduct

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

Behaviour

1. To treat all members with respect and courtesy at all times
2. To refrain from making public comments about other members that could be interpreted as offensive, bullying, belittling or insulting
3. To ensure that any disagreements are dealt with in a polite and civilized manner, especially in public when representing the club
4. To always remember that I am representing the club and the breed when out in public with my Griffon
5. To discuss and present the Griffon Bruxellois breed in an honest and positive manner to the general public.

Care and Maintenance of Griffons

6. To ensure that all dogs that I own are kept in a safe and secure environment where they are free from physical and psychological harm at all times
7. To ensure that any dogs that I breed, only go to a home where they will be loved, valued and kept safe and secure, to take whatever safeguards that I feel are necessary to achieve this.
8. To ensure that no dog I breed will be passed onto a 'puppy farmer' or someone who will indiscriminately breed from my dog without a concern for the welfare of the dog or the future of the breed.
9. To never allow my dog to be mated indiscriminately or to a dog of another breed
10. To respect my breeder's wishes if they do not want the dog to be bred from
11. To socialise and train my dogs so that they will be responsible and obedient members of society and present Griffons in a positive light to the public.
12. To provide adequate food, water, exercise and shelter for my dogs at all times.
13. To provide all necessary veterinary care and treatment and to ensure that all necessary protections are up to date.
14. To be completely honest with the breeder when purchasing a puppy from them and to truthfully state my intentions for the puppy.
15. To always contact the breeder first if at any time I am unable to keep the Griffon and give the breeder the opportunity to take the dog back, regardless of the dog's age.
16. If I am unable to contact the breeder I will work with the club to suitably rehome my Griffon if I am unable to keep it
17. To always keep in touch with the breeder so that they always know how my Griffon is going throughout the course of its life
18. To ensure that any Griffon I own never ends up in a pound or rescue organization.
19. To only buy a puppy from a reputable and registered breeder or from a rescue organisation.
20. To ensure that my dogs will never roam the streets and will be under effective control at all times.





The Point Score Competition

2017- 2018 Point Score Competition

Remaining Shows

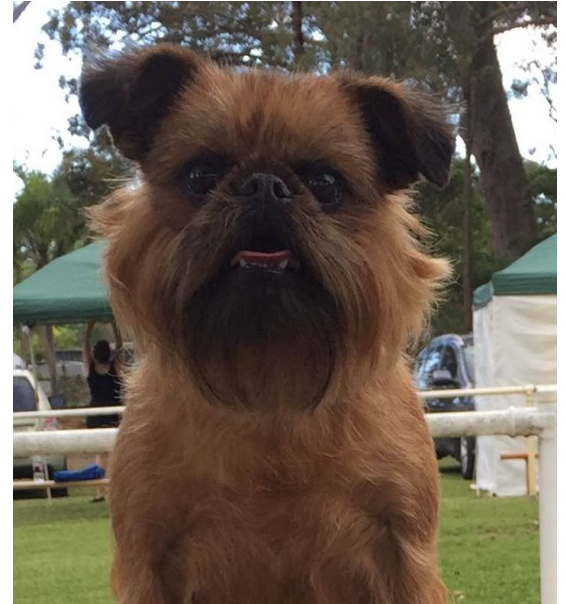
Armidale All Breeds Kennel Club Sat 17 Feb 2018 (Northern)	Camden Ag Show Sat 17/03/18 (Southern)	Medowie & District All Breeds Kennel Club TBA May 2018 (Hunter)	Nor West Canine Association Sat TBA June 2018 (Sydney)
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There have been two point score shows held since the last edition of The Phoenix

Northern All Breeds Kennel Club



This show was held on Saturday 4th November and the judge was Mrs R Seare from Queensland. Best of Breed and Bitch Challenge was awarded to **Sibermoon Ms Banks Too U** owned and handled by Michelle Parker Brien



Sibermoon Ms Banks Too U

Runner up Best of Breed and Reserve Bitch Challenge was **Raweke Gooseberry Gertze**, owned and handled by Tammie Cheng

Raweke Gooseberry Gertze,

Gosford City Show.

This was the last Point score show of 2017 held on

Saturday 2nd December.

The Judge was Mrs J Croad. The entry was excellent with 17

Griffons, a very pleasing number as three exhibitors were not able to exhibit under Mrs Croad because they had been in contact with her in August. Although the entry was great the





weather was appalling with the rain bucketing down all night with a lot of very wet exhibitors and dogs. The Christmas party we planned was not a success as it was so wet that members huddled under gazebos and umbrellas

Unfortunately the rain became worse as the night

wore on and by Group specials the dogs were not at their showy best when it came to performing in the wet Best of Breed and Dog CC was Ch Nouveau Dear Parker- owned by Jane Wistuba and bred by Alastair Clicquot



Best of Breed and Dog CC - Ch Nouveau Dear Parker

Runner up BOB was again the dog - Ch Rosndae Upper Crust owned and bred by Dave and Roslyn Finch



Runner up BOB & Res DCC- Ch Rosndae Upper Crust

Bitch CC was Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief owned and bred by Terri Odell

Bitch CC - Ch Nagpuni Midnight

Reserve Bitch Challenge Raweke Beatrix Potter owned by Jane Wistuba and bred by Shane Thomas



Mischief

was awarded to Ch

Reserve Bitch CC- Ch Raweke Beatrix Potter

Best Intermediate in Group was also awarded to Ch Balliol Kaptain Krum owned by Claire Parker

Ch Balliol Kaptain Krum

Current Placings

The point score is now half way and has seen a few changes in places The top 10 dogs are now:



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1. Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief- 25 pts
2. Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac - 20pts
3. Ch Rosndae Upper Crust- 15pt

Equal 3. Ch Balliol Kaptain Krum - 15 pts

4. Ch Nouveau Dear Parker- 14pts
5. Ch Balliol Kendra Kadabra- 13
6. Sibermoon Miss Banks too U-12

Equal 6. Nagpuni In The Midnight Hour – 12- And Leading Puppy

7. Ch Tzani Belltrix Lestrangle – 11
8. Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald - 10



The next two point score shows will be Armidale in February and Camden in March.

2017 Dogz on Line Point Score Competition

Dogz online is a site for registered breeders and they run a point score competition each year for exhibitors.

Some exhibitors take it very seriously and some treat it as a bit of fun and some like me keep forgetting to enter their results. However, it gives exhibitors a chance to compete with dogs all over Australia even though they may never meet in the flesh, due to the vast distances involved. It also allows competitors to compete against all other breeds

It has 4 competitions-

- Show dog of the Year which is based on

Group and Show awards

- Best of Breed



Competition which is based on Challenge points won when competing against you own breed

- Rising Star Competition which is for young dogs up to the age of 18 months
- Neuter of the Year for all neutered dogs who compete in the Neuter class

Many of our members enjoy participating in these point score competitions and in 2017 they did very well, highlighting the high quality of Griffons in Australia at the moment.

In the **Show Dog of the Year Competition** no Griffons made the National top 50 All Breeds but **Gr Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac** (Owned and bred by Tzani -Diana Norman, Tim Mills and Kerry Bell and handled by Emily Bell) He made Number 27 in the National Top 50 Toy Group and had a successful year, also coming in at No 8 in the NSW Top Toys.

Gr Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac (photo by Goldmaid)



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Also in the Top 50 NSW Toy winners was **Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris** (owned by Michelle Parker Brien & Ashleigh Barber and handled by Ashleigh) who came in at No.21 despite very limited showing in 2017

Sup Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris

In Queensland **Ch Tzani Mr Magoo** (Owned and bred by Tzani -Diana Norman, Tim Mills and Kerry Bell) was No 26 in that State's Toy competition.

Ch Tzani Mr Magoo


Congratulations





In the **National Best of Breed Competition**, a number of members did very well and gained the following positions in the top 20 in Australia

No 2- Gr Ch Tzani Zazu Zodiac



No 4 – Ch Tzani Bellatrix Lestrangle

(Owned & bred by Tzani -Diana Norman, Tim Mills & Kerry Bell)

Ch Tzani Bellatrix Lestrangle(photo Cabal)

No.7 Ch Nagpuni Shaken Not Stirred

(owned, bred & handled by Terri Odell)

Ch Nagpuni Shaken Not Stirred

No. 9 Ch Tzani Mr Magoo

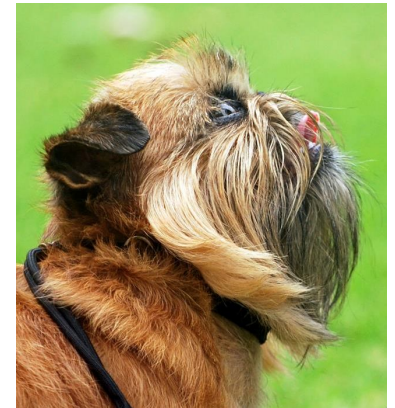
No. 10 Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief (owned, bred & handled by Terri Odell)

Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief

No. 12 Ch Beaufox Rene Dherblay (owned Vickie Clements. Bred Jane Wistuba)

Ch Beaufox Rene Dherblay

No. 14 Ch Nagpuni Secret Agent (Terri Odell)



Ch Nagpuni Secret Agent

No. 16 Eng & Aust Ch Marquant The Lover

(Imp UK) Tzani -Diana Norman, Tim Mills & Kerry Bell. Bred Alison Price)

Eng & Aust Ch Marquant The Lover



No. 17 Ch Tzani Aunty Jack

(Diana Norman/Tim Mills/ Kerry Bell)

Ch Tzani Aunty Jack



No. 19 Ch Nouveau Dear Parker (Imp NZ)

(Owned Jane Wistuba Bred Alastair Cliquot)

Ch Nouveau Dear Parker




Congratulations



The Story of Kia (continued)

In the last edition we told the story of the rescue and rehabilitation of Kia, from a miserable half-starved life as a breeding machine, belonging to a puppy farmer to a happy, healthy girl. Kia's adventures have continued since then.

Kia was desexed so that she would avoid pyometra and any other complications that could arise from such massive overbreeding. She came through the surgery very well although she decided that she deserved special attention while convalescing

Kia recuperating on the lounge on the Griffon pillow following her surgery

Then came the hard job of finding the perfect home for Kia.

We had a number of people who were interested in adopting her and we thank them all for their



interest.

As a club we apply the same high standards to our rescue dogs as we do to any pups we breed. We place the needs of the dogs first and we keep in touch with any owners and we insist that the dog be returned to us is at any stage the owner does not want it.

Due to Kia's previous difficult life, we did not want her to travel too far away from our rescue officers. We also did not want to fly interstate and cause her unnecessary stress.



Christine with Kia

Although she got on well with all of Jannelle's Griffons we felt that she would be happier in

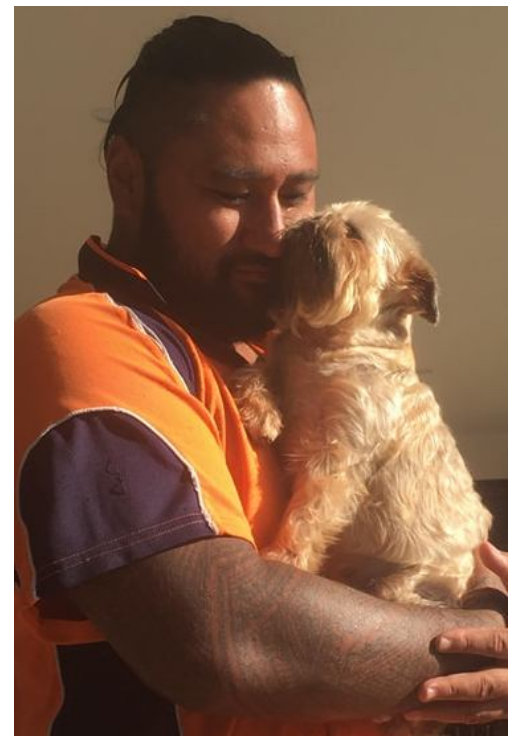
a home with fewer dogs and we did not want her to go to a home with large, boisterous dogs.

Eventually we found the perfect home. Christine has been a member of our club for over 12 months and had been waiting for a Griffon. She helped out on the club breed stand at the Dog Lovers Show and she had followed Kia's story with interest.

Abel and Kia

When Christine and Abel came up to meet Kia it was love at first sight.

Christine's daughter had a young, six month old Boston Terrier cross who was full of mischief so it was a matter of seeing how the two dogs would settle in together.



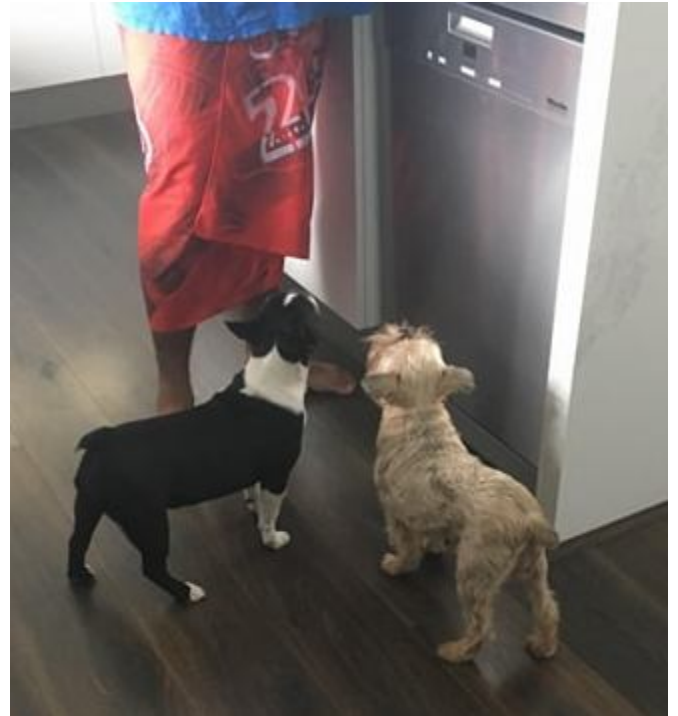


It did not take long before they were going for walks together and helping to supervise food preparation in the kitchen.

Kia has now got a loving home where she will be safe and well cared for the rest of

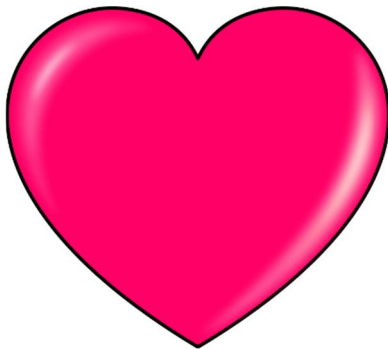
her life.

She now goes for walks, watches TV and has a new playmate.



She does yoga by the pool
She is very contented and happy and as you can see- very relaxed.

A happy ending for a lovely girl





More Griffmas Celebrations

Tank wants to know what the fuss is about



Ashleigh's four legged family all posed nicely



Donna's family all got into the Christmas spirit



Duke and Archie told Santa that they had been good- all year



Henry got to play Santa at the office- he already has the beard



Chewie cuddled up with his Teddy Santa

Benny and Lola met Santa





Overseas News

USA

The American Kennel Club National Championship took place at the end of 2017

This is one of the most prestigious shows in the USA and it draws a large entry of many of the top winning dogs in the country
results:

A Griffon Bruxellois called Newton, took all before him and won Best in Show

Officially known as Gold Grand Ch Somerset Wynzall Hashtag he finished off a very successful year with this win. On the way he won 26 Best in Show awards and was also Best in Show at the American Brussels Griffon Club Show

Of interest to Australian Griffon people is the fact that he is co owned by an Australian- Ven Grasso who has recently been elected as President of the Queensland Griffon Club

Congratulations to Ven and all of Newtons connections on such a prestigious win

Newton with his handler Susan De Pew and on the move



Full Griffon Results from the National

Best of Breed - GCHG CH Somerset Wynzall Hashtag
Best of Opposite Sex - CH Jn Windtrotter Rollin In The Stars
Select Dog - CH New Years Somerset Single Barrel Batch
Select Bitch - GCH CH St Johns Independence Day At Whichwire
Best Bred By in Breed/Variety - CH New

Years Somerset Single Barrel Batch
Best of Winners - Sleepyhollow Burnt Toast
Winners Dog - Sleepyhollow Burnt Toast
Winners Bitch - Bobcat See A Penny Pick It Up
1st Award of Excellence - GCH CH Grellis Top Brass
2nd Award of Excellence - GCHS CH Marsdon The Maestro
3rd Award of Excellence - GCHB CH Sleepyhollow Jb-Shua Dancing Lover Boy



Show Results

Congratulations to the following members who have done well over the past few months



In NZ, Fern Feaver handled Cricklewood Red Alert to several Puppy in Show awards, bred by David Fifield and co owned by Sandie Meads

Ros and Dave Finch won Best in Group with Ch Rosndae Upper Crust, at the Liverpool show. He continued his success by going on to Aust Bred in Show



At the large Christmas show Terri Odell and Ch Nagpuni Shaken Not Stirred won Best Intermediate in the Toy Group under judge Mrs D Wright. It was very large group with 170 toys entered.



Terri's luck continued when Nagpuni In The Midnight Hour won Best Puppy in 'Toy Group' under judge Elizabeth Gunter at the Library Archives show at Orchard Hills.



At Maryborough, Swedendreams Chiquitita, handled by Bert Olson, won Junior In Group.

Jennifer has come a long way from the half starved and neglected girl we wrote about in the last edition. It shows what love, care and responsible ownership can do



At Gosford City Sunday Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief won Runner Up in Group





More Christmas Griffon Celebrations



*Karen Schrodter and the
Griffon gang*

*Tammie Cheng's girls
just love Christmas*



*Sheena, Benny and Lola sent
Christmas greetings*

Rory decided to photobomb Marc



*Rachael and
Terri posed
with Santa*



*A very
cute little Christmas
gift*



*The smooth Griffon
girls pose for
Christmas*





Griffon Buyer Register

Sheena Jackson and Sharyn Woods are doing a great job as Assistant Secretaries.

Sheena and Sharyn are responsible for the Griffon Buyer Register and all memberships- new and renewals so please contact them if you have any questions.

If you have your name on the Griffon Buyer Register please make sure your information is accurate and up to date.

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

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

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

Our members also all follow a Code of Ethics and do all they can to breed healthy well socialised Griffons so that you have the best chance of getting a healthy and happy new family member

If you are interested in getting a Griffon please look at our register and complete the forms which can be downloaded there and we will do everything we can to help you get your new Griffon friend and companion

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

If you have filled out a Griffon Buyer Form and would like to change or update your information please contact our Assistant Secretaries – Sheena Jackson at sheenamaryjackson@icloud.com and Sharyn Wood at sharynwood1@bigpond.com

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. E.g. 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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Membership Application/ Renewal Form

(Please send this membership application to The Assistant Secretary Sharyn Wood or Sheena Jackson)

Email address - Sharynwood54@gmail.com

and do a direct bank transfer to

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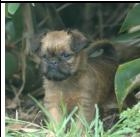







I wish to join / renew membership of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc

DATE of APPLICATION/RENEWAL _____

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



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