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## Letter from the Chairman.

Welcome to this edition of Bat Ears. After Maureen Bootle asked me to send her this letter, I put the task on the 'back burner'; not because I could not be bothered but due to the work I had to do in respect of the AGM.

Cajoled by my wife, (and recently, Maureen), I now sit at the computer typing away. This edition of Bat ears will be published to coincide with our AGM; therefore, I am just in time before the Committee re-elects the Officers of the Committee for another twelve months.

This last year, in the office of Chairman, has been a very challenging one, never the less, an enjoyable and a very rewarding experience.

You may recall, that at our last AGM, I asked for volunteers to help out on DISCOVER DOGS. If memory serves me correctly, I have also mentioned this at our shows. We, the Committee, really do need your assistance on this issue.

I make no apologies for typing Discover Dogs in capital letters. We honestly do struggle to find volunteers to help out on our booth. This year has been no exception. You, the member(s), can really make a difference and make the club's contribution to CRUFTS an outstanding one.

About 18 years ago, having got our first two Frenchies, Sue & I helped out on Discover Dogs. Neither of us were committee members, we just wanted to support the club. We both found the day very enjoyable. To this day, we continue to lend our time to Discover Dogs.

Discover Dogs is where we, The Midland & Northern Counties French Bulldog Club represent our breed.

So, please, please, do volunteer to assist, even if it is only for a few hours.

The club's Secretary, Jackie and her husband, Richard, by the end of CRUFTS this year, will have spent three days at the NEC., including, setting up and closing down the Discover Dogs booth. I really do sincerely thank them both for all their hard work & dedication.

May I also take this opportunity to ask everyone who attends our shows to feel free to help out. This can be from helping someone into the hall with their dogs & cages, to serving a cup of tea when there is a riot at the kitchen counter.

It is not my intention to turn this into a role call, however, I really must thank Linda Banks for her sterling work as Treasurer. She stepped 'into the breach' during our financial year and has worked diligently to get our accounts to the auditors on time.

I would also like to thank Maureen Bootle and Dr. Christine Towner, for all the help and support they have given to me over the last year.

The committee is going to review our Web Site, which I think you will agree, needs a bit of a revamp. Hopefully, during the forthcoming year, those of you who are on line will see marked improvement.

Finally, I really must thank all of you for your continued support of our club and the club's shows. Without you, there would be no Midland & Northern Counties French Bulldog Club, a club which I think you will agree, is one to be very proud to be a member of.

Tim Griffiths, Chairman.

#### **EDITORS LETTER**

We are so very grateful to all those who gave such a warm welcome to our first effort, the Winter edition of Bat Ears. Thank you to the members who sent cards, phoned and emailed; your support was greatly appreciated. A special thank you to the Judges on our A list who contacted us with their thanks. Some years ago, when it was first mooted in Committee that Bat Ears should go to judges, the main idea was to encourage articles on the breed standard, health, judging and maybe critique writing. How about it members? — or judges of course?

While we really want the lovely show winner's photographs in our magazine, and we need and appreciate your support, we would love to see more members' pets in our pages please. Frenchies doing what Frenchies do best; pictures of them enjoying life alongside the photos of their show winning relatives would be wonderful.

To the breeders, please encourage your puppy buyers to become club members. We need their support, especially in the current climate, and they may well enjoy being members. It used to be a standard practice, putting a membership application form out with every puppy pack. Why not try it – we do.

One member has suggested Profiles of the Committee members, and we hope to start this in the Winter issue. We were a little oversubscribed with articles this time and have held over one or two for the Winter issue. However, please don't think we don't need more, we do – and articles of the calibre we have in this issue would be oh, so welcome. Credit will be given to the writer every time; we do not plan to publish anything anonymously!

Thank you again for your encouragement, please keep on supporting us – it is your magazine. It is also your club, and, all too often, it is left to a few to do all the hard work, while others sit, maybe for years, without ever putting anything back. Please play your part; the club and the breed needs you and your help.

We hope the Summer is pleasant and enjoyable for you and your Frenchies.

#### Maureen Bootle,

On behalf of the Bat Ears Team.

#### **OBITUARY**

At the end of last year I was saddened to learn of the sudden death of John Sheridan.

John, an American came to England 45 years ago, and was a solid and loyal part of the dog scene. With his partner Bryn he had the Wyndsmoor Kennel of Gundogs, mainly Pointers. He came into Frenchies for a while, and had two attractive and memorable pieds, Ch. Love and Kisses for Wyndsmoor and Ch. Sweet William of Wyndsmoor. John was on the M&NCFBC Committee for a while, judged our breed at Championship show level, and was always interested in Frenchies – in fact he was seriously considering having another one to show. He was such good company, well mannered, charming and amusing. I shall miss meeting him around the shows so very much. He enjoyed judging many breeds, and was so looking forward to judging his beloved Pointers at Crufts this year. Words are inadequate at a time like this, but to Bryn, John's partner for over 40 years, our sincere sympathy.

Maureen Bootle

## **Midland & Northern Counties** French Bulldog Club

29th November 2009 Judge: Marion Sargent

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me to judge this show, and for the exhibitors for entering. Some really nice, quality dogs for me to get my hands on. Thank you to my stewards and the committee for making my day so enjoyable. The puppy classes were very good quality which should bode well for the future of the breed.



L-R .. BIS: Ch Wildax Miss Moneypenny RBIS: Gizyjo Remmisson With Nachadbe JW Judge BV: Ch Birique Prinzessen BPIS: Glenlee Spirit Dancer

Minor Puppy Dog

1st Banks NELLBANK SWINDLERS ROCK - 6 \_ mth balanced brindle, lovely head and eye, good ear set, correct cobby body, good width of front, correct roach when free stood, lovely rear, correct rear stifle, moved well. Best puppy Dog & Reserve Best Puppy in Show

2nd Drummonds GLENLEE CHIEF SANTOS - fawn 6 mths old. Another lovely balanced dog. When stacked was a lovely picture, good head and eye, with good ear set. Nice width of front. Today just preferred the front movement on 1, but another cracker.

3rd Ash's ZANDAPLATZ QOCHATA - 7 mth old Pied. Heavier type but lovely head with good ear set and lovely eye. Touch down in pasterns today, which showed on move. Lovely rear action.

Junior Dog (8,3)

1st Howarths GIZYJO MR MCCLOUD - 13 mth old brindle, well balanced dog. Lovely head with correct eye, and ear set. Would like slightly wider and stronger front. Good powerful neck. Good wide brisket and correct ribbing. Moved well on profile and rear.

2nd Eskretts RANACANI RIDDICK STONER - 12 mth old fawn, Pleasing head and eye. Good neck, good brisket and chest, touch long on loin, which fell away on rear. Moved well.3rd Dealaselles KENOCTO BUNDLE OF FUN - 17 mth old fawn, was heavier in head, which spoilt overall look for me. Well bodied, correct ribs, and brisket. Nice profile movement.

1st Pipers AGEANCOURT JIMSON WEED AT HEIDSIECK - 17 mth old brindle - nice shape, correct size, good head and eye, correct ears, good chest and brisket, nice tight elbows, moved well.

2nd Birks BIRIQUE YUNGUN - 16 mth old brindle, nice shape, slightly spoilt by being a touch heavy over shoulders and front. Pleasing head with good eye and ear set. Nice rear, moved well.

3rd Kennedy & Bootles TOMMYVILLE TOO MANY BAGELS - 18 mth old brindle - nice overall shape, pleasing head, touch lighter in eye, nice front, good rear, was a reluctant mover!

Post Graduate Dog (4,2)

1st Welshs FENITON FINEAS FOGG OVER DESREBTES - 2 yr old pied, nice shape, slightly bigger dog. Good head and eye, good ear set, nice straight front but can be lazy with it. Nice body, good angles front and rear. Moved out well.

2nd Shomeys MORVERN DOMINIC - 5 yr old brindle, nice head and eye, good ear set, nice neck going into a good front, good body, very straight angulation on rear, moved well.

Mid Limit Dog (3,1)

1st Birks BIRIQUE WREIGNMAKER - 2 yr old brindle, nice body, ok roach, heavier in head with more wrinkle, would like a touch narrower on front, nice rear, moved well

2nd Towners TWINHOE BRIAN - 3 yr old brindle, good head and eye, would like flatter skull, good angles front and rear, touch longer in body, moved

Limit Dog (3,1)

1st Greensmiths GIZYJO REMMISSON WITH NACHADBE JW - 18 mth old pied that I have judged before. Lovely profile, good head with correct pigment, good ear carriage, and correct shaped eye. Nice skull, with correctly domed forehead. Good strong muzzle, Good angles front and rear, correct length of body giving that cobby appearance, good bone, correct amount of roach, good cut up. Nice stifle, moved well. Best Dog & reserve best in show

2nd Fitzgerald, Smith & Bootles ACIREMA MR JEREMY FISHER FOR TOMMYVILLE - brindle of 3yrs old, Lovely headed dog, with good ear set and nice eye. Had a bit too much roach for me, but had good angles, moved well on profile. He was messing about a bit on the up and down.

Open Dog (2,0) 1st Smiths AGEANCOURT SWEET ROCKET - 2 yr old fawn, cobby dog with all the correct proportions. Nice head with good ear set and eye. Nice muzzle. Good angles front and rear, nice stifle, didn't move out as I expected, and was a bit choppy.

2nd Kennedys TAXMAN TOMMYVILLE - brindle of 2 yrs old. Pleasing head with good ear and eye, nice front and rear, touch longer in body than 1, moved

Veteran Dog (3,0)

1st Stewarts CH JOLEROB FOREIGN AFFAIR - 8 yr old brindle, lovely cobby profile with correct proportions, nice head with good ear and eye. Correct amount of muzzle. Good angles front and rear, enough stifle, Reserve

2nd Birks BIRIQUE PRINZREGENT - 8 yr old fawn, another lovely type, good head and muzzle, nice ears and eye, good front. Nice rear moved well. Just preferred the ribbing and chest on 1.

3rd Worsleys JAYDANIA SIR WILFRED WITH MALPA

Special Open Pied Dog (1,0) 1st Greensmiths GIZYJO REMMISSON WITH NACHADBE JW-

Special Open Brindle Dog (4,2) 1st Shomeys MORVERN DOMINIC

2nd Kennedys TAXMAN TOMMYVILLE

Special Open Fawn Dog (5,0) 1st Birks BIRIQUE PRINZREGENT

2nd Fitzgerald, Smith & Bootles TOMMYVILLE THE TYTAN -2 yr old fawn, pleasing head, good ears and eye, nice shape of skull. Nice roach, good rear, nice overall shape. Touch longer in body, just preferred the movement of 1.

3rd Eskretts RANACANI RIDDICK STONER



L-R., RBD & BVD: Ch Jolerob Foreign Affair Judge BD & RBIS: Gizyjo Remmission With Nachadbe JW

**RPD:** Nellbank Swindlers Rock

#### Minor Puppy Bitch (7,1)

1st Drummonds GLENLEES SPIRIT DANCER – Loved this little 6 mth old fawn as soon as she came in the ring. Typifies a Frenchie. Lovely shape and make. Head was correct proportions with high set ears, and lovely round dark eye. Straight front and rear with correct angles. Correct ribbing and cut up, lovely cobby body, correct roach, nice stifle, moved out well. Will watch her future with interest. BPIS

2nd Bunns NELLBANK LIMITED EDITION – 6 mth old brindle, another lovely shape and it was close. Many of the same attributes, a touch longer in body than 1, moved well.

3rd Smiths AGEANCOURT SWEET SAGE – 6 mth old brindle, rawer than 1st two, lovely shape when stood correctly, good head, lovely ear and eye. Just needs to relax more. Moved well.

#### Puppy Bitch (9,2)

1st Ashs CRINDLES HOT GOSSIP AT FABELHAFT – 10 mth old brindle, nice shape and size, Good head with correct ear and eye, nice front, good angles front and rear, correct roach, nice rear, good stifle, moved well.

2nd Conways ANASHELL ALLOVAPUZZAL - 9 mth old pied, heavier in type to 1. Good head, with correct pigmented eye and high set ear. Good front, nice stifle, moved well, would like a touch more roach.

3rd Dallisons CHELMBULL COVER GIRL – 10 mth old dark brindle, another nice shape, pleasing head with correct eye and well set ears. Would like touch more muzzle to finish picture. Touch down in pastern, nice angles, moved well.

#### Junior Bitch (10,2)

1st Kendrick & Jones ACIREMA LADY GEMMA – 14 mth old brindle, lovely shape and make, pleasing head with good front, nice ears and eye, correct proportions, nice roach and rear. Moved well – Reserve Best Bitch

2nd Smiths RISCHALE PATSY - 17 mth old brindle, similar to 1st, pleasing head, ear and eye, would like a touch more roach, was lethargic on the move which cost her.

 $3rd\ Longdons\ ALSUMA\ MORNING\ SHADOW-15\ mth\ old\ pied,\ lovely\ head,\ good\ eye,\ although\ a\ touch\ light,\ and\ good\ ear\ set,\ nice\ front\ and\ rear\ angulation.\ Moved\ ok.$ 

#### Yearling Bitch (3,0)

1st Longdons ALSUMA MORNING SHADOW

2nd Fisher & Binns GRANDESIGNS CENTERFOLD – 19 mth old brindle, nice shape and make, pleasing head with good skull & forehead, would like a touch more muzzle, nice length and roach, just lost out to 1 on movement.

3rd Dealaselles ROSSBALILS SUGAR BUTTY – 14 mth old brindle, nice head with good ear set and eye., would like a touch more width of stifle. Needs to strengthen up on movement.

#### Post Graduate Bitch (4,0)

1st Ainsworths VAGHNAS JEZZABEL OF KALHOL - 2 yr old brindle bitch, nice shape and make, pleasing head, good eye and ear, good straight front, touch straight on stifle, moved well.

**2nd** Bootes DEVINITYS RENAGADE RUBY – 15 mth old brindle, another nice shape. Good head and eye, good ear set. Is a bit loose on the front which showed on her movement. Nice profile and rear movement.

3rd Sandersons CONYSLUCK TRACY – 13 mth old fawn. Looks good on profile, good shape, pleasing head, well defined muzzle. Would like tighter elbow. Threw front on the move but nice rear movement.

#### Mid Limit Bitch (7,4)

1st Gavaghans VAGHNA'S IZZADORA – 2 yr old brindle, lovely shape, loved her head, correct amount of muzzle with good width, lovely mouth, can be a touch close on front, would like a touch more stifle, moved well.

2nd Conways BIRIQUE WANNAGOTU ANASHELL - 3 yr old brindle.

another nice shape, could do with a touch more roach and width of stifle, nice front, good eye and earset, touch heavy over muzzle for me. Would like stronger pasterns, nice rear movement.

3rd Longdons BREMARS TOUCH THE WIZARD ALSUMA – 17 mth old brindle, good shape, pleasing head, good skull, nice ears, wouldn't settle on move. Would like her in harder condition.

#### Limit Bitch (4,2)

1st Birks BIRIQUE XCEPSHIONAL – 2 yr old fawn, nice overall picture when settled, pleasing head, touch of wrinkle but good ears, nice front, correct body, touch straight on stifle, moved well.

2nd Gavaghans VAGHNA'S OOPSA DAISY – nearly 4-year-old brindle, loved her head with correct width of muzzle, good ear and eye, lost to 1 on front and topline. Nice profile movement.

#### Open Bitch (4,1)

1st Wildmans CH. WILDAX MISS MONEY PENNY – 19 mth old brindle, lovely picture, to complete I would like a touch more roach for my preference but that is just being picky. Showed herself which ever way you looked at her, four square all the time, Lovely head and eye, good width of muzzle, lovely skull and foreface. Straight front, with required brisket and chest, good ribbing and nice short loin making that cobby body. Adequate stifle. Moved well. Best Bitch and Best in Show.

2nd Birks BIRIQUE TREACLE PUDDIN – 6 yr old brindle. Cobby body with depth, nice head, eye touch more prominent than I like, lovely width of muzzle and jaw, good ears, nice body, moved ok.

3rd Stansfields NOKOMIS WHISPERING BREEZE AT MAYOBIE ShCM -3 yr old brindle, another nice bitch, pleasing head, would like slightly darker eye. Lost out to 1 & 2 on length of body. Moved ok.

#### Veteran Bitch (3,1)

1st Birks CH. BIRIQUE PRINZESSEN JW – 8 yr old fawn, lovely shape and make, Pleasing head with good ear set. Good straight front and rear with good angles. Lovely cobby body with correct roach, good ribbing and brisket, nice short loin. Moved well. Best Veteran

2nd Poulsons BOSSYBOOTS AT PATCHDOWN – 11 yr old brindle, another lovely bitch, nice head with good ear and eye. Just lost to 1 on roach, but moved well for age.

#### Special Open Pied Bitch (4,2)

1st Longdons ALSUMA MORNING SHADOW

2nd Conways ANASHELL ALLOVAPUZZAL

#### Special Open Brindle Bitch (4,1)

1st Birks BIRIQUE TREACLE PUDDIN

2nd Dealaselles ROSSBALILS SUGAR BUTTY



L-R .. Best Bitch & BIS: Ch Wildax Miss Moneypenny Judge RBB: Acirema Łady Gemma

BPB & BPIS: Glenlee Spirit Dancer BVIS: Ch Birique Prinzessen JW

Judge - Marion Sargent - Tegwani

## "A TALE OF TWO PUPPIES"

Early this year Anna Sutton, one of our members from the South coast kindly wrote to us about two Frenchies who had been helped by her local Rescue Society, Sussex Pet Rescue (Registered Charity No. 1048731). Anna subsequently sent me an article from their magazine, which appeared in December 2008. I wrote to ask permission to reproduce this and received a gracious reply, which, amongst other things, sent the Club and its members their best wishes for 2010. This is the story of Pierre and Claude

Towards the middle of 2008, we were approached by one of our veterinary groups as a matter of urgency. In fact it was a matter of life or death as a decision had to be made within an hour about two pups.

Two French Bulldog puppies had been purchased from a "puppy farm" in Wales at a cost of about £2,000 each. They were duly taken to the owners vet to be checked out and, as normal procedure the vet scanned them to see if they had been micro-chipped. They had, but the chip numbers were not European ones and it was found that the puppies had been smuggled in from Belarus. It is standard practise to scan animals before inserting a microchip to ensure that there is not already one in place. When the vet did this, the scanner picked up data for chips in both puppies. A veterinary nurse then contacted the organisation responsible for maintaining the database of micro-chipped animals and was informed that the numbers were neither British nor in fact from any other EU country.



Pierre & Claude as they were then, in quarantine in 2008

As the puppies had no documentation, which allowed them to be brought into the UK legally (i.e. 'Pet Passports'), the authorities had to be informed and the owner was then told that the animals must be quarantined with immediate effect. The owner was horrified at the news, as she felt unable to pay the quarantine fees.

The authorities informed her that both puppies would have to be put to sleep (because of the potential risk of rabies and other infections) unless the expensive fees could be found within an hour.

Local and National animal welfare organisations were then contacted to try to raise the money needed to keep the puppies in quarantine for six months. Most of the charities were unable to give an answer in the extremely short deadline because of the process needed to agree to that level of spending. However, we decided that we should help and pledged within an hour to pay the fees.

The quarantine kennels where the puppies were being looked after very kindly halved their fees to £2,000, and some veterinary costs, including rabies jabs etc, were waived by Grove Lodge and Acorn veterinary practices.

The two male puppies were signed over to the care of Sussex Pet Rescue and then given the names of 'Claude' and 'Pierre'. There was no doubt in our mind that the puppies should be given the chance of a good life.

Pierre and Claude are now out of quarantine and are living in foster homes. The kennels did a wonderful job looking after them and we are very grateful to them for spending time with the pups to ensure they were socialised with people as much as possible. However they are currently being house trained and exploring the outside world. In due course and hopefully by the time this is printed they will have found the loving homes they deserve.

Anna didn't stop there. She traced one of the nurses at her Veterinary Practise who had adopted one of the dogs. Pierre and Claude became George and Hugo once they left quarantine. Samantha, the vet. nurse, contacted me and agreed to tell us about George - this is her story.

The first time I met George & Hugo was as patients awaiting their first vaccinations at the veterinary practise where I work as a nurse. They were both two months old and I was called upon to perform the difficult task of cuddling and comforting two wriggly little pups. My goodness they were the two most beautiful little dogs I had ever seen.

The next time I was to see the pups' was an entirely different and sobering experience. In fact I would say it was the single most stressful and upsetting day of my veterinary career. As I heard the full story from the nurse who had helped them I could not believe what had transpired.

The pups had come into surgery for pet passports and when they were scanned and found to already have foreign microchips – Russian microchips. They had been illegally imported. The man on the puppy farm responsible was in custody and refused to talk, Defra had just phoned that day and ordered their immediate quarantine or humane destruction. They were coming in four hours to witness them put to sleep if no one could pay the kennel fees. I proceeded to help the other nurse on the phones for the next three hours to try and find a charity to fund the pups as the owner could not afford to pay and had signed the pups over for euthanasia. The Defra appointed council member sat in the waiting room!



George at Worthing



George in the cat's radiator bed

With 15 minutes left a local charity "Sussex Pet Rescue" came through the door with the ONLY offer of sponsorship we ever got for the two pups'. They were saved and off to a local kennel who very kindly offered a discounted price for the two pups quarantine stay. The weeks ticked by, and I could not forget the pups.

The ladies from Sussex Pet Rescue would kindly and patiently answer all my questions and queries and even brought me some photos with updates. Eventually I made the phone call and officially requested to adopt George. The charity wanted to separate the two brothers to try to calm them down and George had since had other medical problems that I felt as a nurse I was in a good position to help see him through. Luckily to this day George has had no medical problems and is free of all medications. He celebrates his second birthday on the 21st Feb (we think!).

Most owners will tell you that their dog is the best dog in the world, the most beautiful and best behaved, and I am no different. Except, he really is. He is a very confident dog and VERY funny, me makes me laugh everyday. His best friend is my sister's Pug Eric, I can't really put into words what he means to all of us. He is a very special dog.

Puppy farms are about one thing only, money. I can't bear the thought of how those young pups must have been when they were brought over probably in the back of someone's car. Or how many maybe didn't make it. With George's help I will do whatever we can to help put an end to puppy farming.

Thank you for telling our story

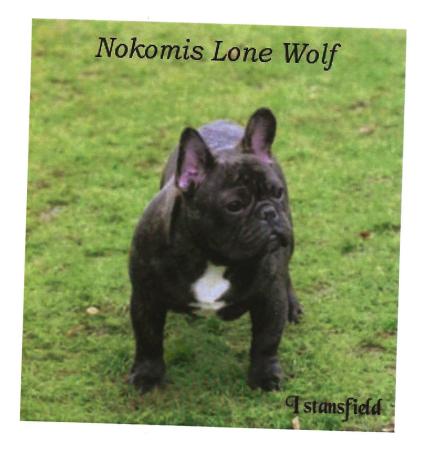
#### Sincerely Sam Banks & George

A nice post-script to this story is that Sam took George to Berwick Obedience Dog Show last summer. They are a group who have, over the years, raised a great deal of money for SPR. George won 1st prize in the Best Rescue Class. The same day his brother, Hugo, was taken to a different Exemption Show in West Sussex and he too won 1st in the Best Rescue Class. If you would like to make a retrospective donation to Sussex Pet Rescue for their part in helping these two lucky Frenchies, their address is

Sussex Pet Rescue Jennifer Goddard BSc., ACA, Oakdell Fryern Rd., Storrington, West Sussex RH20 4BJ Please mention the M&NCFBC



## **NOKOMIS**



DOB: 04/09/10

Sire: The Pheasant Chaser (Grandson of Ollicutt) Dam: Ch Nokomis Clear And Sunny Water JW ShCM

Mrs Jill Keates

01723 863875

## **MAYOBIE**



Thank you to Mick & Kim Conway for all of their help

Sire: The Pheasant Chaser (Grandson of Ollicutt) Dam: Ch.Nokomis Clear n Sunny Waters JW ShCM.

Thanks so much Jill for letting us have another Nokomis baby.

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Mayobie the Dark Knight, Nokomis Whispering Breeze at Mayobie ShCM, and Fantastic Fred.

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## FANTASTIC FRED

## WEIGHT ??? WEIGHT

Fantastic Fred, pictured opposite, the one on the right, is the subject of a competition!

Guess Fred's weight and win a £10 Boots voucher donated by Fred's mum.

If you will be at the championship show in September you can give your answer to Mrs Stansfield at the show. If not you can post it, or email it to Maureen Bootle. All those answers will be given to Mrs Stansfield on the day. The Winner will be announced at the show, and in the Winter Bat Ears.

### PROBLEM CORNER

One of our newer members suggested we had a problem page, and has started us off with the following query:

My boy is pied and in March 2009 had an insect bite on the back of his neck which led to a course of antibiotics to clear it completely. Since then he seems to have suffered from very sensitive skin. We were given some really helpful advice about feeding and made changes which have helped but he also has a sensitivity to shampoos etc.

Has anyone else had this problem and can they offer any further advice?

Your answers could be published in the next issue, and in the meantime we will put you in touch with the member who set the question. Does anyone else have a Frenchie problem they would like to share?

## Wildax The Home Of Champions



Penny gaining her 6th CC & BOB under the renowned breed specialist judge Mr Victor Van Raamsdonk of the world famous De La Parure Frenchies and this is what he wrote...

Wildman's Ch Wildax Miss Moneypenny. Excellent typical brindle bitch. Nice cobby massive body with still a typical feminine expression. Excellent in head, skull and muzzle. Excellent in ears and eye placement with nice clear dark eyes. Very nice underjaw. Strong in front and feet. Very nice bone. Excellent in neck, ribs and underline. Very nice angulation behind with a good tail and nice tail-set. Moves very well and is the Queen of the ring because of her magnificent showmanship and being constantly at one with her handler.

What a magnificent start to the New Year for Penny & Wildax. Penny is owned and adored by **Ann Wildman** who can be contacted on annwildman10@hotmail.com. Margaret & Frank can be contacted on 0151 256 7153. wildax2000@aol.com

## Wildax Frenchies & Bostons Top French Bulldog 2009



## Ch Wildax Miss Moneypenny

Penny is an outgoing, extrovert character; beautiful to look at and magnificently bred, being by the illustrious UK & Jap Ch Sexystyle Saunders x Byrock Silver Bangles at Wildax. 2RCC. We at Wildax are delighted that judges have thought so highly of our young girl and we thank them so much. Penny is not yet 2 years old yet she has won 6CCs plus Utility Group 3.

www.wildax.co.uk

# Zandaplatz Miyazakis Chance To dream For Zandaplatz (1 RCC) 22/10/2001 ~ 08/01/2010



'Chloe' was my first French Bulldog. She was my introduction to this adorable breed having waited 7 years for the right puppy to come along. Thanks to Mie Lewis for allowing this little lady to come to live with me and be the solid foundation to my breeding programme.

Thanks also to Betty Wright who helped me enormously as a novice to the breed.

Run Free Chloe and wait for me at the rainbow bridge.

Carole Ash

www.zandaplatz.co.uk

## Zandaplatz

Am Ch Fabelhaft Eyebuls Xpelliamus For Zandaplatz is proud of his latest daughter:



Best Puppy Paignton Ch Best Puppy Driffield Ch Best Puppy LKA Ch

1<sup>st</sup> Puppy Bitch S Wales Ch 1<sup>st</sup> Puppy Bitch M&NC FBC Open 1<sup>st</sup> Puppy Bitch BUBA BP & PG2 Fylde Open

Thanks to all judges for thinking so highly of her.

## Crindles Hot Gossip at Fabelhaft

Abbi has had a very successful start to her show career and she is delighted her 4 sisters are also winning well.

This outstanding litter was bred by Betty & Barry Wright.

Abbi carries the Fabelhaft affix in honour of her father but is solely owned by Carole Ash (Zandaplatz).

'Harry' is at limited stud to approved ladies only!

Carole Ash 01257 261142

www.zandaplatz.co.uk

# Anashell Anashell



Mick & Kim Conway

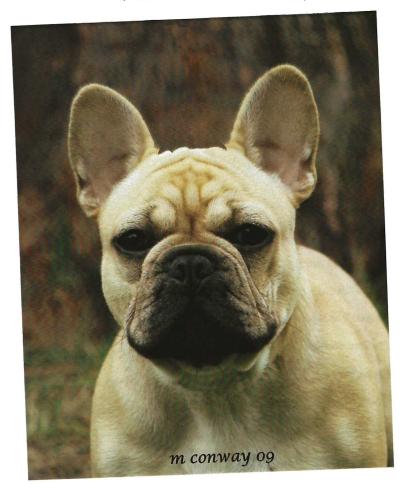
www.anashell.moonfruit.com

mconway@talktalk.net

01704 228251

Anashell allovapuzzal (Pied) res cc Crufts 2010 ≭

## **VAGHNA**



Vaghna's Dizzyblond (Bindi) – 18.02.09

Sire: Crindle's The Great Waldo of Rapparee

Dam: Vaghna Oopsa Daisy

Bred & owned by Gillian/David Gavaghan 01253 318338 vaghna@yahoo.co.uk

www.vaghna.co.uk

## **CONYSLUCK TRACY AT WHEREWITHALL**



10-05-09 Birmingham National CH: Mrs Mary Le Gallais 4th Minor Puppy Bitch

4-7-09 Windsor CH Show: Dr Andreas Schemel 4th Puppy Bitch

27-9-09 Midland & Northern FBC CH show: Mrs Lucy Bonsall 3rd Puppy Bitch

23-10-09 Midland Counties CH Show (No CC's) L Poulson 1st Puppy Bitch & BPB

27-11-09 Nuneaton & Dist C.S Limit Show: Ms B Bodle 1st A.V Yearling & 1st A.V Utility

29-11-09 Midland & Northern FBC Open Show: Marion Sargent 3rd Post Graduate Bitch

5-12-09 British Utility Breeds CH Show: Mr M Trevis 1st Post Graduate Bitch

13-12-09 Ladies Kennel Association CH show: Mr G Drummond 3rd Post Grad Bitch

15-12-09 Nuneaton & District C.S (Ringcraft & Monthly Match Meetings): Mrs J Gregory Best Puppy Of The Year

21-2-10 Nuneaton & District C.S Open Show: Vanessa Williams-Weggman 1st Graduate D/B & Reserve Best Of Breed

Thanks to everyone who helped us in our first year of showing

LYNN & KEVIN SANDERSON 118 MERLIN AVENUE NUNEATON WARKS CV10 9JZ TEL: 02476 394900

## **Degenerative Myelopathy**

This is a crippling condition affecting middle aged to elderly French bulldogs, and which also occurs in some other breeds. It has an hereditary basis, transmited by recessive genes (For details of this mode of inheritance, please see the article on hereditary cataract in the last edition of Bat Ears)

This is one of the auto-immune diseases, in which the body's defences are mistakenly directed against its own tissues, in this case the spinal cord, which carries impulses from the brain to more distant areas. This causes muscle weakness, in the hind legs to start with, spreading to the fore legs, and, in the latest stages, loss of bladder and bowel control.

This condition could well be under-diagnosed, because of confusion with common conditions of the spinal skeleton, and the superficial similarity of its symptoms and age at onset. The two could well be present in the same dog.

It starts with noticable dragging of the hind legs, with the toes characteristically turned under, causing noticeable wear on the upper surface. of the nails. This progressive weakness can progress to complete paralysis, and is followed by involvement of the fore legs, and later inability to control its bladder and bowels. The dog usually survives one to two years after symptoms are noticed, the incontinence often being the reason it has to be put to sleep.

At present there is no cure, and treatment consists in making the dog as comfortable as possible. Lack of activity should not allow the dog to become overweight, and a good quality balanced diet should be provided. In the early stages gentle exercise, short walks on a lead, can help in maintaining the remaining muscle tone, and hydrotherapy can provide non-weight bearing movement. I have seen French bull-dogs provided with little two wheeled carts to support their hind legs and allow them to move independently, and they are possibly of most use where the dogs can have access to level ground outside the house

The late onset of this condition can be regarded as mixed blessing, as the sufferers can enjoy a normal life for a good number of years. However, affected dogs can be bred from before there is any indication they carry the disease There is a DNA test available but at present this is only carried out on a fresh blood sample by a laboratory in the USA. Breeders can only make the most extensive enquiries possible into any instances of late onset "paralysis" occurring in lines they intend to use.

Christine Zowner,
Club health co-ordinator,
Midland and Northern Counties
French Bulldog Club

## CLUB MERCHANDISE STALL

From our Spring Show this year M&NCFBC members are invited to bring any of their unwanted French Bulldog collectables for us to sell on the stall. Simply deliver your items to us on the days, with written details, the price you require, and your name and address. It is advisable to attach a label with your initials to your goods.

The Club will require an agreed donation for all items sold during the day.

Every possible care will be taken to safeguard your goods, but, ultimately, the Club cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage. We will take goods on a first come first serve basis, and reserve the right to refuse any goods offered.

Owners must pack their goods and remove them at the end of the show.

Come and see us at any of the Club shows, or contact me beforehand if you wish:

Víckí Físher Tel: 01469 531210 Email neil.fisher14@btopenworld.com

## Nirojo Imperial Rose JW



(Cookie) 22.10.08 (Ch Friend De La Parure of Kingfriend x Dameja Extrovert) **Top Puppy In breed (2009) (Our Dogs)** 

BPIS & RCC at Midland and Northern Championship Show Many thanks to Lucy Bonsall

Cookie has done very well in the show ring

3 RCC

6 BPIB

1 PG4

And many wins at Open Shows
Thanks to all the judges who thought so highly of her
Crufts 2010 (1st Junior Bitch)
Owned and loved by Linda & Ray
0208 656 2762
linda.quin@tiscali.co.uk

## Feniton Fineas Fogg over Desrebtes



Thank you to all the Judges who placed Hugo in 2009 and to all the people who have shared their valuable knowledge of French Bulldogs with us.

Special thanks to Annie Jenkins for our 'young man'

Tracy & Tony Welsh

CHAMPION SHOW WIN	1S 2009	CLASS	PLACING
NAME OF SHOW	DATE	Junior Dog	3rd
Manchester	January 2009	Good Citizen Dog	1st
	March 2009	Good Citizen Dog	3rd
Crufts	June 2009	Post Grad Dog	1st
Southern Counties	August 2009	Post Grad Dog	
Bournemouth CA	August 2009	Post Grad Dog	1st
Welsh Kennel Club	September 2009	Post Grad Dog	3rd
City of Birmingham	September 2009	Post Grad Dog	3rd
Darlington	September 2009	Graduate Dog	1st
MNCFBC	September 2009	Post Grad Dog	2nd
Midland Counties	October 2009	Post Grad Dog	Reserve
	December 2009	Post Grad Dog	VHC
BUBA LKA	December 2009	Post grad Dog	VIIG

OPEN SHOWS 2009		T =:	Placing
Name of Show MNCFBC	November 2009	Post Grad Dog	1st

# UK'S 'MOST EXCLUSIVE PUBLIC GALLERY' PUTS ON NEW EXHIBITION IN MAYFAIR

The Kennel Club Art Gallery recently hailed by the Times newspaper as the 'most exclusive public gallery in Britain' has launched a new exhibition examining two of the more overlooked Utility dog breeds.

The Exhibition, entitled 'Two Dissimilar Breeds: The French Bulldog & Schipperke in Art', opens on 22nd February and runs until 11th June 2010. On show is a wide range of art and ephemera including,

paintings, bronze sculptures and porcelain models that shed light on two lesser known dog breeds, dissimilar but both fit for a specific function.

Highlights of some of the Schipperke items on display include a Lilian Cheviot portrait of celebrated champion bitch 'Queen of Clubs', a portrait of Champion 'Yaap' by Frances Fairman and a rare oil of a Schipperke by Alexandre Clarys (1857-1920), an animal painter particularly known for his paintings of Belgian breeds whose work is represented in museums in Antwerp and Brussels. Also on exhibit is a huge selection of medals, commemorative spoons and bronze sculptures, as well as a pair of painted wooden clogs depicting the breed.





Many French Bulldog items are on display, such as an extensive collection of paintings and prints by artists including Arthur Heyer, Maud Earl, Marguerite Kirmse and Vernon Stokes. Porcelain models made by Copenhagen, Nymphenburg, Meissen and Rosenthal



Bronze by Rembrandt Bugatti

are also on show, and a soft toy collection, including an example by Steiff can be found, as well as an array of ephemera including clocks, jewellery, a set of working nightlights, toys, bell pushes, cigarette lighters and even crumb brushes.



Porcelain by Meissen

Still on exhibit at the Kennel Club Art Gallery is one of Sir Edwin Landseer's most famous and best loved dog paintings 'A Distinguished Member of the Humane Society', on loan from the Tate collection and on display in the UK for the first time in 50 years. The Kennel Club Art Gallery recently secured exclusive rights to display the painting until 2012.



Painting by Jacques Cartier 1933

Caroline Kisko, Communication Director at the Kennel Club, commented: "The attention to detail of this exhibition is quite amazing, and divulges much of the rich history of these two wonderful breeds. "We hope many dog lovers, as well as art enthusiasts, will be able to visit the Art Gallery as we are sure they will not be disappointed by this fascinating exhibition, which is shedding light on the French Bulldog and Schipperke."

The Kennel Club Art Gallery is open Monday to Friday from 9.30am - 4.30pm by appointment and is free of charge.

To arrange a visit,
please telephone 020 7518 1064
or email artgallery@thekennelclub.org.uk.



Very large Bronze by Boudarel



Porcelain by Augarten

## **M6 Motorway Toll Exemption**

This is something I found out the other day and thought instantly that Other Frenchie Enthusiasts who are disabled and are in receipt of DLA mobility may be interested in... The M6 Motorway can be very busy and there is an alternative, which motorists find to be much quieter and take many minutes off your journey time by avoiding delays around the Birmingham areas. At present it costs £5.00 for a family car to use the M6 Toll, this can vary during peak times and I know some of you have larger mini bus style vehicles to transport your Frenchies.

If you are in receipt of DLA at the highest Rate Mobility component and qualify for a Motobility vehicle then you can get a Motobility Exemption Pass (Conditions do apply and you do have to send some proof of entitlement and vehicle details)

It costs £15 and will cover you for 3 Years to use the Toll as many times as you wish at no further cost. (You must use the attended lanes not the automated lanes for verification)

The Exemption Pass can only be used by the qualifying disabled person in their designated vehicle (motobility or privately owned) it has the Registration number of your vehicle on the pass and they also require a passport sized photo of the qualifying person to avoid inappropriate use.

#### You can Call 0870 850 6262

For further information and an application form

I personally use the M6 Toll route regularly having family living down South and attending Dog Shows all over the UK (Like Most of M&NCFBC members), we will find this beneficial financially (More cash left in your pocket for spoiling your Pups) and time saving too, avoiding traffic jams on the

Infamous M6 at busy times is definitely a bonus for any driver with a car full of dogs, so we should take advantage!!!

Pass this info on to any disabled drivers you may know, not just Frenchie Fans!!

Hope this bit of info helps... Keep healthy... Gillian Coxon & Mags  $\ ;$ -)

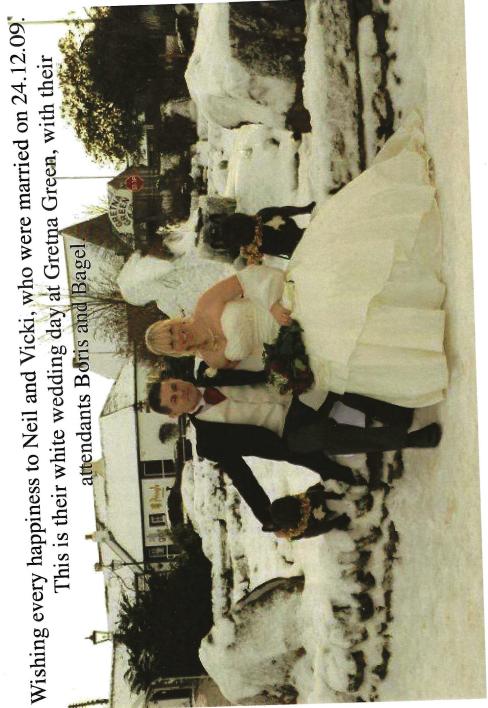
Irene Stansfield.



#### NACHADBE BLUES BROTHERS

Hi Everyone. I am Sonni (Big Bro) and Bono is Little Bro. For all of you too young to know, Sonni Bono was once married to Cher. We are not brothers really. I am his uncle, but what the heck. Mum says when Little Bro sits down and you bend his ears down he looks like a Bulldog. I don't know about that; when he chases me round the garden and house he is more like a Whippet. When I eat, he eats, when I have a drink he has a drink, I go for a wee, he has to have a wee, I have a youknow-what he has a you-know-what. I jump on the settee for a nap he jumps on the settee via puffee to have a nap, mostly using me as a pillow. Talk about my shadow. I don't mind, he is a good Little Bro really. When we play a bit too rough Mum stands up and makes a funny noise and points at us. We stop and look at her. (She's been watching the Dog Whisperer again). It works. Mum says I am more like a girl (pardon me), but boy have I proved her wrong as my two girlfriends are having my puppies. Wey Hey. That's something else I can teach Little Bro. Knowing him he will know more than me. Talking about that, what's that all about having your Mum hold your private bits? I bet she wouldn't do that if her mum was watching. So please Mum next time leave the room and remember you are an OAP with a bad back, a bad stomach, and bad legs. That's another story, poor old soul. More stories next time from Big Bro and Little Bro . Have a lovely Summer and good luck in the show ring to all our Frenchie friends.

From Sonni, Bono with a little help from Mum, Sylvia Greensmith.



## MORVERN

Est 1982



## Ralf & Lilly

RALF won the CC & BOB at his last breed show in the UK in May 2009. In his show career he won 14 CC's & 10 Reserve CC's Lilly has won two firsts and two seconds at championship shows attended.

She was placed 1st junior bitch at her last UK show.

Best of luck to the puppies bred last year, all placed with close friends where their excellent breed type and soundness can be used to produce French Bulldogs of quality.

I am looking forward to taking my dogs overseas where I can continue to line breed and produce excellent, typical and sound French Bulldogs.

I must thank Ellen & Gordon- Glenlee, The foundation of my kennel is the lovely fawn boy

CH GLENLEE INDIAN DANCER at MORVERN Angela McInnes

# MORVERN

## Est 1982



FRANK & RALF

At his second show FRANK was BPIS.



PHOTO: IRENE STANSFIELD

Gizy, my very special little man, will be 14 years young on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2010.

Without Gizy the previous Gizyjos would not exist. He is great grandad to both Joey and Winnie, and grandad to Sonni.

Thank you to Sylvia and Tony for giving Sonni the perfect home.

Gizyjos are loved family members not disposable stock.

Miss Joan Howarth 0161 627 1085



#### GIZYJO REMMISSON WITH NACHADBE Sonni

## Ch Birique Reignman with Nachadbe - Micklee Madmoiselle Gizyjo

This beautiful boy fills me with pride, the following critique explains why:-

"Outstanding pied of immense quality. Old fashioned in the best possible way. Large head built on square planes, large sufficiently dark eyes, well set and correct ears. Super profile, straight firm front, tightest of feet, non exaggerated roach. Excellent hind action, with deep hocks, attractive markings, fine short coat. Moved and showed very well. CC"

Dr Andreas Schemel



GIZYJO MR McCLOUD J.W. Joey D.o.b: 5/9/08 Weight: 27 lbs.

Crufts 2010 (1st Post Graduate Dog) ≭

A big thank you to all judges who have made it possible for Joey to gain his Junior Warrant, by judging the correct end of the lead!



### GIZYJO MISS FREDRIQUE Winnie

Freddy de Longcourville Feniton - Gizyjo Corabelle

Boston Championship Show Jan 2010

BP RBB Judge: Mick Gordon (Rustibee) PG4 Judge: Margaret Wildman (Wildax)

Thank you.

# ELLA & BEN DE LISI

Ben de Lisi arrived in the UK in 1982. During those early years, he began working on a small neat collection of dresses and sold to five exclusive stores in London. On the back of the success of that very small range the Ben de Lisi collection was born.

To back track Ben studied sculpture and painting at the prestigious art college, The Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York. Whilst studying, his love of clothes went from strength to strength. Having always wanted beautiful clothes at a time when he was a struggling student, his grandmother suggested he learn to sew and make his own clothes, and so a young designer was born.



Scarf

Back to the present. As the Ben de Lisi brand continued to grow, Ben won the coveted award of Glamour Designer of the Year in 1995 and 1996. Has made red carpet gowns for stars such as Kate Winslet, Angelica Huston, Miranda Richardson, Emily Watson, Jennifer Hudson, and many more. His most iconic dress has to be the red one shoulder crepe gown worn by Kate at the 2002 Academy Awards.



Tote bag

Over the past 28 years the Ben de Lisi name has developed into a respected and trusted designer brand and, during this time, Ben brought his collection to the approachable and much loved group, Debenhams. Within their stores you find a vast array of products, evening from wear, women's accessories, children's wear. Ben de Lisi Home and the newest and most exciting of all is the re -birth of the Principles by Ben de Lisi label, opening this February in 120 stores and in all stores by Sept. The collection comprises of pure effortless dresses and separates, knits, tailoring, jeans, occasion wear, handbags and jewellery. So, look for the Ben de Lisi Frenchies in September.

10 years ago while in Paris on business, Ben was dining at the famous Brasserie Lipp and saw across the room Yves Saint Laurent with his partner Pierre Berge. They had with them the most beautiful little dog. It was at that moment Ben fell in love with the Frenchie. Shortly after that meeting Ben started his quest to find a Frenchie he could call his own. After contacting the French Bulldog clubs, Ben was introduced to a breeder called Lucy Bonsall whose kennel is known as Muggshotts. After meeting Lucy, and experiencing quite interview, Ben was deemed a suitable parent. Lucy had a litter at the time, and from the top of these puppies came beautiful the most adorable little girl. That is when Ben first laid eyes on Ella, and she went home to Chelsea 8 weeks later.

Since then Ben's love for the breed has become very well known, both he and the dogs have been featured many times in print and on TV. Ben is now the parent of Luca, Noa, and Te'a and, sadly, Ella is their Guardian Angel. Ben lost Ella in Sept 2007.

It was always Ben's intention to immortalise his dear little Ella, and so

the phenomenon of Ella on Home Furnishing started. Any Frenchie lover will have seen the beautiful playful Ella cushion available at Debenhams Watch this space; new products coming very soon will feature Ella and Bens other 3 babies. Ella, Luca, Noa and Te'a are taking over the world!



These days Bens whole world kind of revolves around his "KIDS", their needs always come first. When people say it's tough being a single parent they are absolutely right. Ben has restructured his life to suit their needs. He built a design studio at his home

so that he can work and be there for the 3 little ones - Luca the oldest and the most sensitive, Noa the middle boy, the eternal puppy and 2-year-old Te'a, the beautiful and most mischievous of them all. Having them in his life makes all of the hard work worth it. Ben is a very happy Daddy having his Frenchies to love.

Thank you to Lucy Bonsall and Ben de Lisi for this article. See the lovely Ella and her friends' range in Debenhams now; and more to come later this year!



## **GLENLEE**



SARABAR CONTINENTAL AFFAIR AT GLENLEE

SIRE: CH FRIEND DE LA PARURE OF KINGFRIEND DAM: CH GLENLEE INDIAN DREAM MAKER AT SARABAR

Aristo at the few shows attended has done very well.

RES CC DRIFFIELD CH SHOW
CC MANCHESTER CH SHOW
Judge Joy Bradley
Judge Victor V Raamsdonk

#### MANY THANKS

Gordon & Ellen Drummond TEL: 01332 812537 Email: glenleefb@yahoo.co.uk

## **GLENLEE**



#### GLENLEE CHIEF SANTOS

SIRE: SEALAW CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET

DAM: CH GLENLEE ETERNAL FIRE

BUBA CH Show: Best Puppy In Breed & Reserve Best Puppy In Show MANCHESTER CH Show: Best Puppy Dog

Many Thanks to the Judges, Malcolm Trevis, Geoff Corish & Victor V Raamsdonk

Gordon & Ellen Drummond Tel: 01332 812537 Email: glenleefb@yahoo.co.uk

## **GLENLEE**

GLENLEE SPIRIT DANCER



#### **GLENLEE SPIRIT DANCER**

SIRE: SEALAW CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET DAM: CH GLENLEE ETERNAL FIRE

Best Puppy In Show Midland & Northern French Bulldog Club Open Show Aged only 6 months Many Thanks to Judge Marion Sargent

Crufts 2010 (Best Puppy, Bitch C.C)

## **GLENLEE**



#### GLENLEE ETERNAL SECRET

SIRE: SEALAW CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET

DAM: CH GLENLEE ETERNAL FIRE

Litter sister to Glenlee Chief Santos & Glenlee Spirit Dancer

Doing very well for her new owners in Australia, winning several puppy groups and Best Puppy In Show.

Already on her way to gaining points for her Champion title.

Well done to Nicky & Troy

#### **SARABAR**



#### **SARABAR SPIRIT OF THE MIST**

DOB 28.06.08

Boston Ch:

Best Puppy, Group 4

SKC Ch: Blackpool Ch:

Best Puppy Dog Best Puppy Dog, Res. Best Dog

Driffield Ch:

CC & BOB, last 6 in group

LKA Ch:

CC & BOB group 4

Manchester Ch: Res. CC

His litter sister SARABAR FANTASY DREAMER has many 1sts and has been

consistently placed at Championship shows.

Litter brothers SARABAR CONTINENTAL AFFAIR AT GLENLEE

1 CC and 1 Res CC

and

#### SARABAR DUTCH GOLD AT GLENLEE

also has many firsts and has been consistently placed at Championship shows.

Bred by Betty & Barry Smith, 42, Partington St., Castleton, Rochdale, Lancs. OL11 3DG 01706 524097

**Crufts 2010 (Dog C.C B.O.B.)** 



## **CAPTION CONTEST**

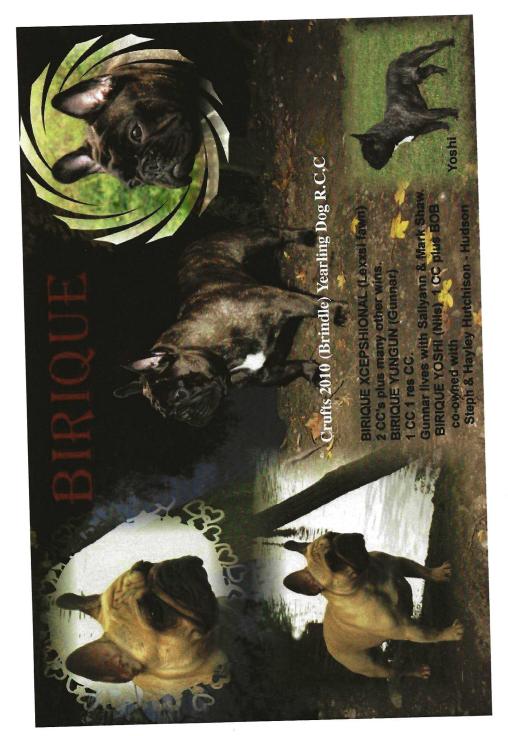


Mrs Sue Griffiths has kindly offered a £20 Boots gift voucher to the person who sends the most entertaining caption for the photo above.

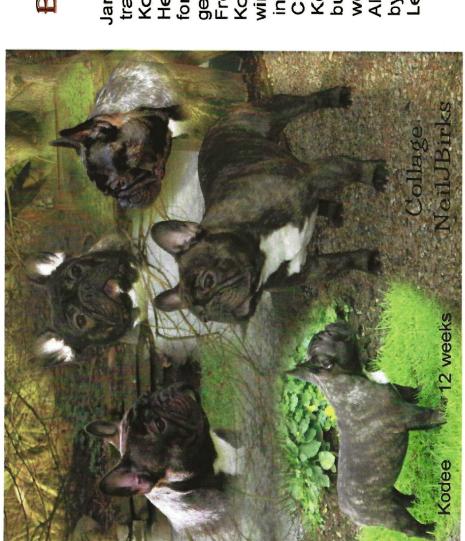
Please send your suggestion by email to <a href="mailto:fbtommyville@aol.com">fbtommyville@aol.com</a> or write to 9, The Orchard, Flore Northampton. NN7 4LH by September 30th 2010.

Mr & Mrs Griffiths will judge the captions, and the winner will be announced at the November show.

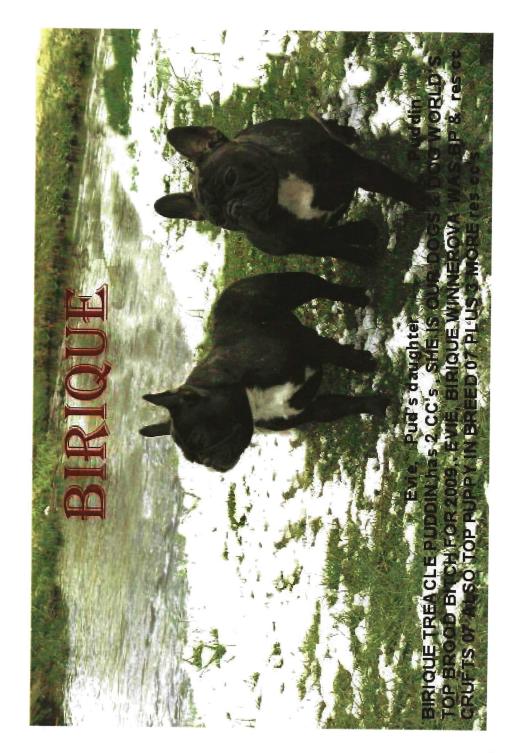




# BIRIQUE



January 2nd 2010 tragic events took Kodee from us. He will never be forgotten for the gentle, masculine Frenchie he was. Kodee had many wins in the ring including 5 Res CC's. Kodee and his buddy Theo were inseperable Always missed by Neil, Jacky, Lee & Hannah



RALF AND KATE'S 2009 LITTER



#### **RALF AND KATE'S 2009 LITTER**

CH Firedancer at Glenlee CH Glenlee Indian Dancer at Morvern

Luvmee Truly at Glenlee

#### **CH FENITON FERGUS AT MORVERN**

Watteau de Baviere

Feniton Frangipan - clear spine

A healthy litter of 3 boys and 3 girls

Sadepa Cordelia at Feniton

INT CH Hay vd Mestreechteneerkes

Freddy Delongcourville Feniton

Iris Delongcourville

FENITON FRANIPANI - clear spine

Watteau de Baviere

Feniton Frangipan - clear spine

Sadepa Cordelia at Feniton

This Fergus litter out of Franipani, his second Feniton litter, has produced 2 puppies with clear spines and several pups with just a slight narrowing of one vertebra only. Healthy Frenchies with no exaggerated points.

#### **ROCKY**



#### 'ROCKY'

Thank you to Vicki for letting me know that Rocky was being advertised for sale on E-pupz just before Christmas.

A special thank you to Charlotte Swateridge for so kindly giving her time to make contact with his sellers on my behalf and arranging for me to collect him.

Rocky is settling into his new home and sends snuffles and tisses to all the Frenchie lovers who have helped him find his caring and loving family.

Annie Jenkins - Feniton\_Frenchies@yahoo.co.uk

#### FERGUSON'S PUPPIES



#### **FERGUSON'S PUPPIES**

A lovely litter of 9 puppies - 7 girls and 2 boys - born on 8 February 2010 (photo taken at Day 1). It's going to be so exciting watching this third litter by Fergie grow week by week.

Ferguson is in the KC stud book, at Crufts 2008 he took Best Puppy in Breed under breed specialist judge Dr Christine Towner, has subsequently won his way through each championship show class and is much admired by many top judges. He is currently taking some time out for studding duties.

Ferguson is, of course the son of my beautiful Fergus, out of Forget Me Not.

As with all my breeding stock his eyes are tested clear and his spinal xray shows only one slightly narrow vertebrae in the thoracic section. As other appropriate screening becomes available this will apply to my Frenchies. His mother , 'Charlie' has a completely clear spine as does his paternal grandmother, 'Fran'.

Ferguson attained his KC Good Citizen Gold Award in November 2009.

Beautiful, well balanced, healthy Frenchies with no exaggerated points.

#### **FANTAZIA**



CH Belboulecan Champagne Mondo INT CH Hay vd Mestreechteneerkes

Zjulet vd Mestreechteneerkes

FREDDY DELONGCOURVILLE FENITON

INT CH Tis vd Mestreechteneerkes

Iris Delongcourville INT CH Guusje Delongcourville

Feniton Fonzo

Feniton Faustus

Brodawel Lily in the Valley at Feniton

FENITON FANTASY AT BARMARK

**FANTAZIA** 

'Ziggy'

Morvern Bart

Feniton Ruby Tuesday

Feniton Forget Me Not

Annie Jenkins - Feniton\_Frenchies@yahoo.co.uk

## **RUSTIBEE**

## NOAH & VIENNA



#### **Rustibee Maximus**

CH. Baron Berty at Bremars X Rustibee Butterfly Dreamer

#### Rustibee Vienna 2CC's, 2RCC's

Spandapa Maestro Mac X Truhali Ice Maiden at Rustibee

Owned and Loved by Mick & Chris Gordon, Tel. 01205-362647. E-mail: <a href="mailto:rustibee@tiscali.co.uk">rustibee@tiscali.co.uk</a>

Website: www.rustibee.com

## **BULVILA**

In Memory of

Margaret Eva Chambers

26.6.1941 - 31.10.2009



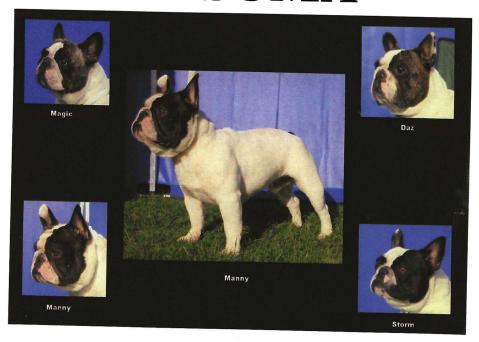
Photo: Angie Leadbeater

Margaret with Ch. Bulvila Tansy

Angie Leadbeater

**2** 01937 833807

# **ALSUMA**



#### ALSUMA THE SNOWMAN ShCM D.O.B 5.5.2005

Sire: CH BIRIQUE REIGNMAN OVER NACHADBE JW Dam: CH ALSUMA BEDAZZLED JW. ShCM (Daz)

Auntie- CH ALSUMA BEWITCHED JW (Magic) Litter Sister- ALSUMA SNOWSTORM (Storm)

MANNY IS A PROVEN SIRE AND IS AT STUD TO APPROVED BITCHES

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#### MY 18 MILE FRENCHIE

I've been asked by my breeder to write an article about my Frenchie called Boris who is now 5 years old, and I've had him since he was just 8 weeks. I've shown him a handful of times but purely on a 'taking part' basis. It had been sometime between the club shows when I bumped into my breeder,, Angela McInnes, and she remarked how fit and well Boris looked and I said yes, would you believe my little Frenchie did most of the training with me for the 'Platex Moonwalk in May 2008. That's when she asked me to write an article for the Bat Ears magazine.

So, to let you into my 2008 diary, a friend and I decided to enter the Full Moonwalk which is held in London each year, in aid of breast cancer and is a full marathon over 26.2 miles. In January we were sent the training schedule and our goal was to complete the course in less than 8 hours, so we had to be strict with our regime. So it started, first with a mile and building up each week with a lengthy walk at the weekend. Now Boris loves to walk and more often than not would never settle unless he had been walked, so it was that he would come too. We made our walks over the fields when we could, but, sometimes we also walked through parks and round the streets in Kenilworth where we live.

With the pedometer in hand our walks were brisk and to the schedule with each Sunday being our longest walk. I wrote in my diary Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>, walked 6 miles, Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup> walked 8 miles, Tuesday 25 March walked 5 miles in 65 mins which meant we were doing 13 minute miles. Yes, Boris was still there and keeping the pace, and loving it, as soon as he saw the walk boots go on he started bouncing.

I always took water, kept routes that he could dip in and out of brooks if he felt hot or thirsty. On April 13 my diary read that we had walked just under 14 miles and I honestly couldn't believe my Frenchie was never giving up. The following week Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2008 we set off to walk 18 miles and planned a route for Boris to be brought back to the house half way round, but during the walk he made no signs of struggling to keep up or feeling tired so we carried on, stopping a few times to eat our power bars and have a drink. When we returned it was the only time Boris didn't get his toys out to continue playing and so I decided much to his annoyance that he should not do any more long walks.

My friend and I continued our training and on Saturday May 17 2008 we completed the 26 miles in just under 7 hours, so our strict training had definitely been worth it.

Boris is now 5 and will be 6 in September, we still do the occasional long walks in-fact I am writing this the day after we had walked just under 6 miles and he just loves it.

#### Catherina and Boris





#### **NACHADBE**

#### GIZYJO REMMISSON WITH NACHADBE JW ShCM AGEANCOURT EBONY MOON OVER NACHADBE



**BONO** Little Bro.

**SONNI** Big Bro.

#### **OUR TWO DARLING BOYS**

#### Sonni has started this year as he finished 2009

BOSTON CH. SHOW (NO CCS) LICHFIELD CANINE SOC.

BOB

BOB G2

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> Tony & Sylvia Greensmith 33 Defoe Drive Parkhall Stoke - On - Trent Staffs ST3 5HN Tel: 01782 341591 Greensmith493@btinternet.com

## **UNABLE TO COPE WITH HAND REARING?**

PREMATURE, SICK, LOW BIRTH WEIGHT OR REJECTED PUPPIES?

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH THIS TIME CONSUMING TASK?

HELP OFFERED TO GET THE SICK / REJECTED PUP TO A LEVEL WHERE IT IS ABLE TO FEED INDEPENDENTLY ON SOLID FOOD

MY BACKGROUND IS:-A FRENCHIE OWNER OF MANY YEARS EXPERIENCE OF WHELPING BITCHES AND HAND REARING PUPPIES

(and - over 25 years of nursing sick children and neonates)

RING 01271 863879 ASK FOR CHRISTINE HAINES

#### 2009 Championship show results

#### 2010 Championship shows with & without

BUBA

05.12.2009

Mr Malcolm Trevis DCC & BOB CH Hetana Paddy O'Reilly (Mr P Pearce) RCC Zandaplatz Posh Pose For Crindle (Mr B & Mrs E Wright) BCC Inyawood Lili Marlene At Kingrock (CH) (Mr C Thomas ) RCC Hetana Whisper To The Moon Of Laudernell (Mr P & Mrs A Stemp)

BP & RBPIS Glenlee Chief Santos (Mr G & Mrs E Drummond) BPB Crindles Hot Gossip At Fabelhaft (Mrs C Ash)

LKA

13.12.2009

Mr Gordon Drummond DCC & BOB Sarabar Spirit Of The Mist (Mr B & Mrs B Smith) RCC Nellbank Marco At Sealaw (Mr G Corish) BCC Acirema Lady Gemma (Mr P F Kendrick & Mr B Jones) RCC CH & Jap CH Sexy Style Bonita (Mr M Iwasaki) BP Crindle's Hot Gossip At Fabelhaft (Mrs C Ash) BPD Nellbank Swindlers Rock (Mrs L Banks)

Boston & Dist (No cc's) 09.01.2010 Mr Mick Gordon BD & BOB Gizyjo Remisson With Nachadbe (Mr A & Mrs S J Greensmith) RBD Gizyjo Mr McCloud (Miss J Howarth) BB Alsuma Morning Shadow (Mr A & Mrs S Longdon) RBB Gizyjo Miss Frederique (Miss J Howarth) BP Gizyjo Miss Frederique (Miss J Howarth) BPD Risethor Tiger Tiger (Miss V Bryant)

Manchester

22.01.2010

Mr Victor Raamsdonk DCC Sarabar Continental Affair At Glenlee (Mr G & Mrs E Drummond) RCC Sarabar Spirit Of The Mist (Mr B & Mrs B Smith) BCC & BOB CH Wildax Miss Moneypenny (Miss A Wildman)

RCC CH Birique Prinzessen (Mr N J Birks) BP Acirema Lady Dipsy (Mr P Kendrick & Mr B Jones) BPD Glenlee Chief Santos (Mr G & Mrs E Drummond)

**CRUFTS** 

Mr Peter Kendrick

13.03.2010

DCC & BOB Sarabar Spirit Of The Mist (CH)( Mr B & Mrs B Smith)

RCC Birique Yungun (Mr N J Birks)

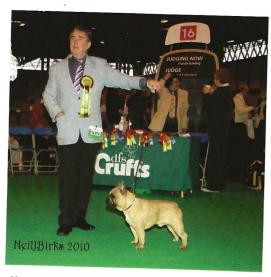
BCC Glenlee Spirit Dancer (Mr G & Mrs E Drummond)

RCC Anashell Allovapuzzal (Mr M & Mrs K Conway)

BP Glenlee Spirit Dancer (Mr G & Mrs E Drummond)

BPD Fatboy Bouncer (Mrs A Phillips)

CH in brackets denotes made up to Champion at that Show



Many congratulations to Mr & Mrs Smith and Sarabar Spirit of the Mist - who became CHAMPION Sarabar Spirit of the Mist and was BOB at Crufts 2010.

#### Dogs made up since our last issue ... Congratulations

#### CH INYAWOOD LILI MARLENE AT KINGROCK

Brindle Bitch D.O.B. 12.06.2006

Challenge Certificates: Southern Counties 2008, Richmond 2008, BUBA 2009

Breeders: Ms. R. Boardman & Mr. R. Martin



## CH RENEBECK RENOWN AT BOMLITZ CH SHANVIC NOIR BEAR BOMLITZ NOKOMIS MINNI WAWA TO RENEBECK

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FITOU FERDINAND BOMLITZ RENEBECK SNOWSTORM AT ISLEFIDRA RENEBECK MATILDA

CH NOKOMIS CHIEF JOSEPH
CH NOKOMIS OLLICUTT

TROUTSTREAM POLY STICKLE NOKOMIS

INYAWOOD LETS GET WICKED

CH KINGROCK BUSH BASIL AT KARLBULL

PENBURTON SWEET BASIL AT INYAWOOD PENBUTON HOCUS POCUS

Owners Chris Thomas & Graham Godfrey Tel: 01780 410140 www.kingrock.co.uk



#### CH GLENLEE DANCING SHADOWS

Brindle dog born 29.10.2006
CHALLENGE CERTIFICATES: WELKS 2008, Birmingham 2008, Three Counties 2009
Breeders/Owners: Mr G & Mrs E Drummond

CH TOLLYDANE PIEROTT AT NOKOMIS VANILLA FUDGE LUVMEE ALL GOLD KENDEE DANCING QUEEN ZANTHUS V. WILCORA IZABEL V. WILCORA AT GLENLEE (imp Ned) UDRA V. WILCORA

CH FIRE DANCER AT GLENLEE
CH GLENLEE DANCING BRAVE
LUVMEE TRULY AT GLENLEE
Int & Ned CH STATUS ROYAL DE'LETAT DU JEU DE BOULE
QUINTY V. WILCORA
Lux, Ned CH MAESTRO V. WILCORA
OLYMPIA V. WILCORA

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## **GRANDESIGN**

#### FRENCH BULLDOGS

Congratulations to...

#### Grandesign's Sweetheart Shoebridge

RCC: Richmond Championship Show 2009
Owned & loved by Jackie & Richard Mavro-Michaelis

#### **Grandesign's Pole Position**

Purina Pro Plan/Dog World Puppy Of The Year Stakes **Daily Heat Winner** 

At Boston Championship show 2010 Plus numerous Best Puppy & Puppy Group wins at Open shows. Owned & loved by Jeanette Eskrette

## Good luck to them for the coming year and also too Grandesign's Platinum

Who's achievements before the age of 6 months include...

Regularly manning his mum's stall at antiques fairs around the country.

Featuring in the "Telegraph" newspaper after being a guest at the grand opening of the dog friendly "Metrodeco Teashop" Brighton

Wooing the crowds at the FBCE party 2009

Featuring on Bargain Hunt 2010

"Mr Tumnus" lives the life or riley at home with his human slaves Sue & Gizzy And his Boxer friends Claude & Sumo.

We couldn't wish for better owners for "Mr Tumnus"

THANKYOU!!!

Stop Press: CRUFTS 2010

GRANDESIGN'S CENTERFOLD 1st Post Grad Bitch GRANDESIGNS SWEETHEART SHOEBRIDGE 1st Limit Bitch

Well done Girls

Grandesign Frenchies are raised with love & shown with pride

# TOMMYVILLE Fabulous Frenchies since 1968



Three week old puppies by Ch. Timothy, out of Nor. Ch., Int Ch. Norwegian Winner 08, 09 Babybull's Ulla.

This super litter was bred, in Norway, by Kari Bjornsen

We hope for a litter by Timothy later this year. Fullest details will be required of any homes offered. All our puppies must live as house pets; Frenchies are not bred to be crated or kennelled. No exports other than to personal friends in Europe; the one exception being the Windancer Farm Family in Canada!

> Mrs Maureen Bootle 9, The Orchard, Flore, Northampton, NN7 4LH 01327 342494

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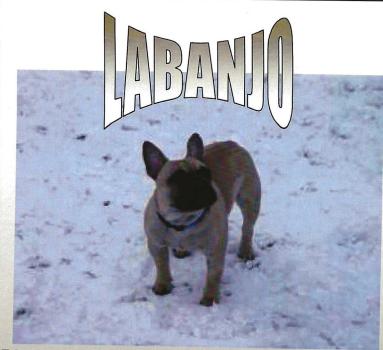


#### CH TOMMYVILLE TIMMY McTIMONY

Timothy, our 29<sup>th</sup> UK champion, is very proud of his winning children. One of the most active, naughty and adorable Frenchies I have ever known. We are delighted with his progeny to date.

Chs. Timothy and Tarquin and my Norwegian import Babybulls Quantum Tommyville, are at limited stud.

They are, just as all the Tommyvilles have been for many years now, eye-tested (all hold clear certificates), DNA profiled, and most of the Tommyvilles have spinal X-rays. They are exercised running loose in local fields and with road work, as they have been since I started in the breed.



## Morvern Frank Avec Labanjo Potteries Canine Society Open Show February 14<sup>th</sup> 2010

B.O.B / Utility Group 2 Puppy Utility Group 1 / Best Puppy In Show

Owner:

Carole Burton

Bred by: Angela McInnes

Thank you Angela for letting me have this delightful little man.

Phone: (0115) 9383317

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#### REGISTERED CHARITY NO.287420

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We are also looking for volunteers around the country, willing to transport dogs, do home visits and the vetting of potential new homes.

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Donations to the 'Trust' are always gratefully received.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY List of Championship shows 2010

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18.04.2010	FBCOE	Chris Thomas
23.04.2010	WELKS	Mrs Jill Keates
06.05.2010	B'Ham National	Mrs Ann Gatenby
22.05.2010	SKC	Miss Jean Singh
31.05.2010	Bath	Mr William McKay
04.06.2010	SCCA	Mr A Nitsch
12.06.2010	Three Counties	Mrs G Jane Lilley
25.06.2010	Blackpool (no cc's)	Mrs J Mavro-Michaelis
02.07.2010	Windsor	Mr Philip Stemp
11.07.2010	East Of England (no cc's)	Mr B Jones
24.07.2010	Leeds (no cc's)	Mrs Kerry Smith
04.08.2010	Paignton	Mary B Deats
15.08.2010	Bournmouth	Mrs C E Cartledge
22.08.2010	WKC	Mr Frank Kane
29.08.2010	SKC	Mr Brian Grattidge
05.09.2010	City Of B'Ham	Mr Geoff Corish
12.09.2010	Richmond	Mr Glynn Dymock
17.09.2010	Darlington (no cc's)	Mr Tim Ball
26.09.2010	MNCFBC	Mrs Maureen Bootle
03.10.2010	Driffield	Mrs Melanie K Reed-Peck
09.10.2010	South Wales	TBC
30.10.2010	Midland Counties (no cc's)	TBC
04.12.2010	BUBA	Mr Paul Pearce
11.12.2010	LKA	Mrs Betty Wright

#### Midland & Northern Counties FBC Shows 2010 & 2011

Sept 26th 2010 (Championship) Judge Mrs Maureen Bootle Venue: The Arkwright Centre, Hardwick Drive, Arkwright Town, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S44 5BS

Nov 28th 2010 (Open Show) Judge Mrs Sylvia Greensmith Venue: The Peace Memorial Hall, Penkridge, Staffordshire, ST19 5AP

10/04/11 Open show 25/09/11 Ch show Mrs E Drummond (to be confirmed) 27/11/11 Open show