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Durham Kennel Club Newsletter

Brussels Griffon

Toy Group



The Brussels Griffon is alert, sturdy and intelligent, with a thickset, short body and a smart carriage that attracts attention. It has

an almost human expression.

Because of its small size and sensitive nature, the Griffon is not recommended as a pet for young children, although it does make an excellent house dog and devoted companion. It is intelligent, alert, sensitive and full of self-importance. The Griffon is a barker.

Background: During the early 1800s, it was the custom for coachmen to keep small terrier types as ratters in the stables, and such dogs of that period in Belgium were Affenpinscher-like, known as Griffons d'Ecurier (wire-coated stable dogs). These dogs originated from the German Affenpinscher and the Belgian street dog. There are no detailed records because the stablemen who did the breeding were not record keepers.

The Brussels Griffon was featured in 1997's hit, "As Good As It Gets", starring Jack Nicholson and Helen Hunt.

Approved: September 11, 1990
Effective October 30, 1990

Show Ring: Weight: 8 to 10 pounds, and should not exceed 12 pounds. Type and quality are of greater importance than weight, and a smaller dog that is sturdy and well proportioned should not be penalized. **Eyes:** Set well apart, very large, black, prominent, and well open. The eyelashes long and black. Eyelids edged with black. **Ears:** Small and set rather high on the head. May be shown cropped or natural. If natural they are carried semi-erect. **Jaw:** Undershot. The incisors of the lower jaw should protrude over the upper incisors. **Lips:** Edged with black. **Coat:** The *rough coat* is wiry and dense, the harder and more wiry the better. The *smooth coat* is straight, short, tight and glossy, with no trace of

wiry hair. This coat type generally does not do as well in the ring. **Color:** Red, beige, black & tan and black. **Feet:** Round, small, and compact. Black pads and toenails preferred.

Breeding and Whelping: Whelping problems occur most often in bitches under 7 lbs because this is a large headed toy breed. Litters of 3 to 4 are average, but 6 is not rare.

Most pups are born with dewclaws on the front legs only. Normally all dewclaws are removed on the 5th day when the tail is docked to one-third. Ears are generally not cropped until the pup is 3 months old if they are done at all. Cropped ears do better in the show ring.

Disqualifications: Dudley or butterfly nose, bite overshot., hanging tongue, white spot or blaze anywhere on coat.

Recognized Problems: Cleft palates, with or without hare lips are common in pups. Hydrocephalic pups occur. Leaker puppies occur in some lines who cannot control urine flow. Once past puppyhood, the breed is hearty.

From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs; AKC. The Complete Dog Book (20th ed.) and the AKC web site.

May Meeting

The next meeting of the DKC membership will take place on **Monday, May 19th**. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner.

Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Bring a friend to share at 7 and furry friends at 7:30.

May Program: This is the meeting at which we vote for all the elected offices in the DKC.

**PLEASE COME AND
VOTE!!**

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Conformation Classes/

Breeder Referral

Nancy Adams

Obedience Classes

Marge White

Spring Show

Connie Howard

Fall Show

Jan Gray

Agility Trials

Tracy Fletcher

Obedience Trial

Lynn Reagan-Hull

Tracking

Jack Sappenfield

Membership/Newsletter

Terri Toohil

Cheer, Rentals(building/land)

Dana Pritchett

Obedience equipment & Yard Sale

Sharon Pitz

Social

Jeanne Stringall

CGC Program-/Maintenance (outside)

George Beglane

Librarian, Recycling

Denise McDonald

Agility classes

Lisa Roberts

Education

Kirk Ridge

Legislative Liaison, Tail Waggers

Joanne Harrar

DKC Membership Meeting—4/21/08

The minutes were not available at publication time of the newsletter.

New Members

The following were voted in at the March Membership Meeting:

Candidate Membership:

Ann Cole, Susanne Hughes, Lisa Phillips, Hanna Sjoblom

Regular Membership:

Rena Mansi, Cathy & Scott Wells

Congratulations all. We are very glad to have you.

Show: Rally

We had 111 Rally entries at DKC's March show. We got lots of compliments for a job well done which was due to the very hard work of Patty Thomas, Debbie Kodros, Brenda Vogel, Laura Anne Welch and Joanne Harrar. What a great group to work with and I appreciate them so much.

Thanks.

Ann Carter

Rally Chair

Note: This should have been in the last issue. Editor error.

Spring Agility Trials

On April 18-20, we held our Spring Agility trials at our Harris Road property. Our judge was Cynthia Tilly.

On Friday, we offered Excellent Standard and JWW. We had 196 entries. The weather was wonderful...ok, so it was a little hotter than most of us like, but considering the alternatives, it was wonderful.

On Saturday and Sunday, we had 330 entries and 328 entries respectively. With the number of trials ever increasing, and the historically high fuel prices reducing many folk's travel, this is a remarkable testament to the reputation our club has built over the past years for putting on a wonderful trial.

There are so many to thank. Cindy Hartman did a wonderful job of secretary, from getting confirmations to the exhibitors promptly when they entered the trial, to getting scores posted promptly, and for the countless other tasks that are involved when you're an agility trial secretary. George and Emilie did anything and everything that was asked. Debbora Schweers tracked down volunteers even when it meant sacrificing her time to walk the course, ensuring the rings were fully

staffed. Cathy Wells once again provided delicious food for lunch, over the 3 days serving well over 100 lunches to workers, as well as many others. Bill Gates efficiently built courses all weekend, 2 on Friday, 6 on Saturday, and 6 on Sunday. Peggy Schmidt once again announced all of our placements, something that continues to differentiate DKC from the other clubs. Sharon Pitz did a great job handling worker and judge hospitality. Roger Akers took care of cutting the grass, and it was wonderful.

Congrats to candidate member Don Roback and J for finishing their MACH. And congrats to everyone else "Q"ing and earning titles this weekend.

It takes a lot of volunteers to put on a trial.

On Friday alone, we had over 50 volunteers, many were members. I especially want to thank those who got to the trial early and/or stayed late to work. On Saturday and Sunday, we had over 90 volunteers; again, many club members. Many folks did multiple jobs.

Let me extend a special thanks to those who got there way before your runs and/or stayed long after your runs to volunteer. And a special thanks to those who helped even when they weren't running a dog, like Ken Nelson on Friday, and Lisa Roberts and Mary Whorton and Dot McClenny all weekend. It's so wonderful to be a part of an organization where the members support our events and are willing to fill undesirable roles at inconvenient times just to ensure that the event is a success.

The trials were a huge success and everyone who volunteered can take pride in being a part of that success.

I look forward to our fall trials September 26th thru 28th.

Tracy Fletcher

DKC Agility Chairman

Fall Show Trophies

Hi All! Yes, it is once again that time for you to sponsor your favorite breed, obedience or rally class or group for the fall show. The reason for starting so early is that everything sponsored must be in the premium list.

We were thinking of \$25 per breed and it would include a cooler for best of breed plus nice, three streamer rosettes for BOB, BOS, BOW, WD and WB. Or if obedience/rally is more your thing, the \$25 would get a cooler for first place plus nice three streamer rosettes for 1st through 4th place. Plus remember that we give out very nice 3 streamer rosettes for rally qualifying on Sunday.

If you would like to sponsor a group, we could come up with something for group prizes - let's say that would be \$25 per group. That would include prizes for all four placements.

Remember that any class can be sponsored in a deceased person or animal's name but not a living one. And unfortunately, it does not make a difference if you say "in honor of "

Peggy Schmidt

DKC Fall Show Trophy Chair

Obedience Instructors' Meeting

There will be an Obedience Instructors meeting on Tuesday May 13 at 7PM for all Obedience/Rally instructors and assistants.

In addition, any DKC Club member who may be interested in becoming an assistant or instructor is encouraged to attend. We also welcome DKC members who might like to participate in the discussions.

The purpose of the meeting will be to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the sessions this past year, and make recommendations for consideration by the new Ob-

edience Committee for the 2008/2009 classes.

CGC Test

The Durham Kennel Club sponsored a CGC test on Saturday April 26, 2008. We tested eighteen dogs and handlers and all passed.

I wish to thank the following volunteers for giving up their Saturday morning and making the test successful: Amanda Stipe, Bonnie Nichols, Dee Wallis, Denise Kilpatrick, Diane Divine, Emilie Beglane, Ken & Kim Tyndall, Lew & Maria Walker, Sally Ridge, Sue Ivy, Terri Toohil and Jeff & Martha Traylor.

George Beglane

ELECTION SLATE

To be voted on at the
May meeting

President	Roger Akers
Vice-President	George Beglane
Recording Secretary	Denise McDonald
Corresponding Secretary	Ann Carter
Treasurer	Emilie Beglane
Director	Tracy Fletcher
Director	Jan Gray
Director	Linda Kerr
Director	Terri Toohil
AKC Delegate	Linda Wozniak

The Nominating Committee was made up of Deb Schweers, Betsy Pethick, Thomas Givens, Lorri Givens, Kimberly Scarey and headed by Sue Ivy.

AKC News

New York, NY – The American Kennel Club® is pleased to welcome the Dogue de Bordeaux as the 158th AKC registered breed. The Dogue de Bordeaux, sometimes referred to as the "French Mastiff", will be eligible for full AKC® registration and competition in the Working Group at shows held on and after July 1, 2008.

On the same date, six breeds that are working towards full AKC recognition will join the AKC Miscellaneous Class: Bluetick Coonhound, Cane Corso, Cesky Terrier, Icelandic Sheepdog, Leonberger and Norwegian Lundehund.

Breeds in the Miscellaneous Class may compete and earn titles in Companion Events and also select Performance Events. Miscellaneous breeds are also eligible to compete in Junior Showmanship. They may compete at conformation shows, but are limited to competition in the Miscellaneous Class and are not eligible for championship points.

CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT

Helen Sanderford
Jada (Weimaraner)
Fayetteville KC (3/23)
Class: Bred By
Pts: 3
Highest Win: WB, BOW
Special Merit: 1st Major!!!

PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT: Rally

Brian Stringall
Hunter (Golden Retriever)
Golden Retriever Spec. (4/26)
Class: Nov B
Score: 86
Leg: 4
Place: 2

DURHAM KENNEL CLUB [PAGE 1] MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL JUNE 1, 2008 – MAY 31, 2009

DEADLINE: JUNE 1ST !!!!!

NAME: _____

MEMBERSHIP TYPE: _____ [Call me if there is a question. Phone # below.]

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

BREED(S): _____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- 1. Are you able to receive your DKC newsletter as a PDF e-mail attachment? YES NO**
 [Note; The PDF e-mail attachment and the download from the DKC website get to you about a week before the hard copy.]
- 2. Do you wish to have your name on the DKC web site mailing list? YES NO**

Please make your checks payable to DKC and mail to:

**Terri Toohil
DKC Membership Chair
5017 Pine Trail Dr.
Durham, NC 27712**

**Questions?
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E-mail: toohil13@aol.com**

<u>Membership Levels and Fees</u>	
Regular Member (RM) -----	\$20
Regular Family (RF) -----	\$30
Candidate Member (CM) -	\$10
Candidate Family (CF) ----	\$15
Junior (under age 18) (J) -	\$ 1
Life Member (LM) - --	<u>NO COST</u>

Durham Kennel Club VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

6/1/08– 5/31/09

DEADLINE: JUNE 1ST !!!!!

Name: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Please check areas where you might be interested in volunteering during the coming year. Also list any special skills, training or experience you might have. This will allow committee chairs to know who to contact when help is needed. Thank you.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fall show/obedience trial (September)
many helpers needed | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheer (to respond to illness and losses
within DKC) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring show/obedience trial (March)
many helpers needed | <input type="checkbox"/> Outside building projects (painting,
building repairs, brush clearing, trimming,
land cleanup, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fall agility trial (September) | <input type="checkbox"/> Inside building projects (painting,
repairs, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring agility trial (April) | <input type="checkbox"/> Social committee (setup/cleanup for club
meetings) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience trial (December) | <input type="checkbox"/> Public education programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience show & go's (setup, judging,
stewarding) | <input type="checkbox"/> Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CGC tests | <input type="checkbox"/> Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tracking tests (test secretary,
tracklaying, coordinating lunch) | <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience classes (instructors,
assistants, organization) | <input type="checkbox"/> Building rental |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rally classes (instructors, assistants,
organization) | <input type="checkbox"/> Awards committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agility classes (instructors, assistants,
organization) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard sale (setup/cleanup, staffing) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Show handling (instructors, assistants,
organization) | <input type="checkbox"/> Special skills, training, or experience |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance committee | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clinic/workshop/seminar planning | _____ |
| | _____ |
| | _____ |

Please return completed form to Terri Toohil with your Dues Form (Address is on Dues Form)