

A WELSH CORGI LEAGUE SUPPLEMENT ISSUE

## A FOREWORD TO THIS REVIEW

[Kevin Egan writes:] This review has been produced for the Welsh Corgi League Membership and its focus of attention therefore will be on the Welsh Corgi Pembroke. It was quite an occasion to have almost 240 Corgis in a Northamptonshire field during an English Summer gathered together for an international dog show! We must not forget the sturdy white marquee of course that came into its own on 'Stormy Sunday' afternoon 29<sup>th</sup> July following a drizzly morning. But Saturday more than made up for the heavens that opened bringing the rarity of a heat-wave in UK to a close.

Ten years ago, Christine Sonberg from Norway and Kim Nielsen from Denmark started the concept of Euro Corgi with a special show with this title held almost every year since, in the hope of bringing European breeders and exhibitors together. One, for example, was held alongside the European Winner Show when that took place in Norway. Until now Euro Corgi hadn't ventured to Britain but that changed in its tenth anniversary year and the Kennel Club kindly allocated an extra set of CCs to both the Welsh Corgi League (for Pembrokes) and the Cardigan Welsh Corgi Association to hold a joint championship show, for the first time since the 1940s.

The show took place over the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> July at the Holiday Inn, Crick and drew an excellent cosmopolitan entry plus lots of visitors from America to Australia and many countries in between. The League invited successful USA breeder/owner/handler Vicki Sandage to award CCs for the first time. Carole Smedley from England conducted BIS and Sue Hadley from Australia judged the special award classes.

We will be able to see their critiques in the pages that follow but I had wondered what our guests from overseas had thought of all this? So, I asked quite a few of our visitors about their experiences and their answers can be found after the judges' commentary. It was probably a daunting task to drive, ferry and drive again from thousands of kilometres across Europe. What was the best way to do it? Perhaps travel in the shortest time possible to get back for work on Monday morning? Or decide to have a holiday break? We shall find out later...



## EURO CORGI UK 2018







### 10TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY SHOW

Held at the Holiday Inn Hotel, Crick, Northamptonshire on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th July 2018

Judge: Miss Vicky Sandage [USA]

**SANDFOX** 

RDCC and Best Veteran: Bronabay Troopin The Colour JW

BCC:

Coventry Sky Full Of Stars [IMP USA]

RBCC:

**Ch Je Suis Kylie Minogue Des Contamines** 

BPIB:

Crescent Hill Brynlea Moon Glow [IMP USA]



Dog Champion Certificate and Best In Show Ch PEMCADER THUNDERBALL NBT owned by Kevin Dover and Lars Saether

**Judge Vicky Sandage writes:** "Thank you for the honour, delight and privilege of having me to judge your Pembrokes at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Euro Corgi being held in UK for the first time. It was a great event and I thoroughly enjoyed being there to judge. Thank you to my ring stewards Ray and John who I so enjoyed getting to know. I appreciated their expertise in having the ring run smoothly and keeping me appraised of correct procedure while in England.

I just wish I could have stayed longer to visit! I thought the quality of Pembrokes exhibited was very good - on par with what I see at our regional specialties in the States. Lots of type, good outlines and heads. I was pleased to see many heads without fill under the eye (in Pembroke terminology "chiseling") and substance carried down through the end of the muzzle (not snipy). Overall, here and in the States, we have good planes, proportions, ears, eyes, and pigment - those details in the muzzle and cheek just make a headpiece you can look at all day. I was further delighted with all the very dark, beautiful eyes I saw. In some classes I wished for more moderation in size and bone having both smaller exhibits lacking substance then large ones occasionally with big round bone - far too Cardigan like.

I saw more length than I see in the States which I see as a positive as most had good ribbing to go along with the length. There were some beautiful outlines, though I did see the same issue we see in the States - many with beautiful outlines complete with lovely turn of stifle, but no shoulder to go along with it. It is a problem in many breeds especially when the (straight) shoulder is set forward on the body. The combination of straight forward set shoulder and good rear angles can look lovely flowing around the group ring, but that shoulder is not correct and will start wearing the dog down after more than a few circuits. These are working dogs and they

need to trot effortlessly for long periods. Balance and a solid topline are key to making a dog that can trot all day. We all need to work on shoulders; get the blade laid back, get some length to the upper arm so there can be some return and then be sure it is properly set back on the body. Much easier said than done! But important for all of us to work on. That said, I thought the quality was excellent and I would be delighted to have been the owner and/or breeder of any of my winners ... and some others as well!

#### **DOGS**

Minor Puppy (3 entries) 1 Matthews's TOWERNAGLEN BUSTER MOON AT CRAIGICOR a handsome, masculine boy with lots of bone and well up to size. Lovely coat. Balanced with good outline and length. Excellent croup and turn of stifle. Lovely prosternum. 2 Creech's ZYDAHAYES SIR BRUCE a younger, elegant boy with a lovely neck and nice expression. Beautiful dark eye.



DCC and RDCC

Moved around freely. Oval bone. I preferred the croup and rear on the puppy above. 3 May's **BARAWOOD PANDORO AT GIRADELLIS** good head proportion with dark eyes. Good oval bone and pleasing type. I just preferred the front assembly of those above.

Puppy (3) 1 Gordon & Heath's CRESCENT HILL BRYNLEA MOON GLOW (IMP USA) TAF an excellent, moderate size and lovely outline. Beautiful head proportions with depth of muzzle to the end and good chiseling under the eye. Lovely oval bone and pretty front

feet. Excellent going around with freedom, reach and drive. Not yet wanting to be a show dog! 2 Weedall & Bogue's **BRONABAY ILLUMINATIONS** good outline and length. Good oval bone. Lovely ear and back skull. Good turn of stifle though not as balanced front to rear as the puppy above. 3 Irving's **TWINAN LIFE'S A BLAST** good, masculine head with excellent back skull and proportions. All boy with pleasing type. Lots of bone. Not the front or ribbing of the ones above.

Junior (6) 1 Warner's MEITZA ERIK THE KING a beautiful overall type and very appealing. Good back skull and proportions to headpiece. Good prosternum. Easy, balanced side gait going around. Good ribbing. 2 Camboni & Malagre's ABERLEE FOLLW THAT DREAM [ATCAU02492AUS]

a beautiful type and outline on this handsome, masculine boy. Lots of substance. Lovely coat and well presented. I just preferred the front assembly on the dog above. 3 Barlow's WOODHENGE STAR AGENT FOR PENDRELL [NBT] elegant and attractive with excellent eye and pigment. Good front and oval bone. Easy going around. Just not as masculine as the boys above. 4 Wilberg's SIGGEN'S GREAT GATSBY [ATCAV01258NOR]. 5 Masiokaite's MASTERMIND RUDENS LEGENDOS [ATCAU02615LTU].



DCC Ch PEMCADER THUNDERBALL [NBT]

Yearling (4) 1 Matthews's IR Ch CRAIGYCOR VIVA LAS VEGAS an attractive headpiece with good proportions. Lovely length to ribbing and giving a pleasing outline. Good oval bone. Balanced with a good stifle giving an easy, balanced side gait. Clean coming and going. 2 Blance's PENLIATH SPANNER IN THE WORX beautiful type, length and outline. Lovely coat and lots of substance. Handsome, masculine head. Clean coming and going. Just preferred the front and shoulder

assembly of the dog above. 3 Wilberg's **SIGGEN'S DOMINO [ATCAV01257NOR]** gorgeous dark eyes and eye rims with good head proportions. Good shoulder balanced with rear made a lovely picture going around. I just preferred the masculinity of the boys above. 4 Wyer's **COTTIVY MOZART**.

Post Graduate (8) 1 Alexander & Davies's ERMYN KNIGHT OF THE REALM elegant outline and type. Lovely headpiece with good planes. Beautiful oval bone and feet. Excellent back with good balance. Easy and free going around. 2 Dodd's NIRENO HOB NOB a masculine headpiece with correct planes. Lovely ears. Good oval bone and feet. Very pleasing type. Balanced and easy going around. 3 C Davies's TOWERNAGLEN RED DRAGON WITH CERANDA [IKC] pleasing type and outline. Masculine, attractive headpiece. Good topline going around. I preferred the front assembly and prosternum of those above. 4 Parrish's DANGAVLYNS STORMTROOPER. 5 Gordon

& Lawrence's RYSLIP THRILLER.



masculine boy with lovely ears and pigment. Beautiful, correct, oval bone down to lovely oval feet. Excellent length, back and ribbing. Well balanced front to rear with a good shoulder in balance with a moderately angled stifle. Clean coming and going with a free and easy side gait. 2 Cartledge's MERTHYR WANDA-WIN THE TOSS FOR RYSLIP [IMP NZL] beautiful, classic headpiece. Good outline and type. Good prosternum plus a well angulated rear and short hocks. I preferred the body on the dog above. 3 Irving's BORN TO BE YOUR SALT DOG AT TWINAN ShCM [IMP HUN] beautiful outline with a bit more substance than above. Good, masculine head. Traveled around the ring well. I preferred the prosternum and front assemblies of those above. 4 Légerton's ERMYN TIME TO DREAM FOR SOLAW. 5 Wyer's COTIVY SKYFALL.

Limit (7) 1 Harrison's HARESFOOT ZEBEDEE a handsome,

RDCC and Best Veteran 'TROOPER'

Open (11) 1 Dover & Saether's Ch PEMCADER THUNDERBALL - Dog CC and BOB a gorgeous, classic headpiece with very dark eyes and rims. Very moderate and correct in size and bone. Excellent front with good, correct wrap for a Pembroke. Beautiful balance and back standing

and on the move. Beautiful neck flows into a correct and level topline. Clean coming and going. Elegant but masculine. Won the CC on his overall beautiful type, headpiece, balance and correct structure. Excellent coat and condition plus presentation. Could not be denied today. 2 King & Taylor's Ch OREGONIAN SNOW TIGER beautiful length and outline. Moved freely with reach and drive. Good front and feet. Lovely masculine boy with good substance. Just preferred the shoulder and balance above. 3 King & Taylor's



BP - CRESCENT HILL BRYNLEA MOON GLOW

**OREGONIAN SNOW LEOPARD** beautiful head and proportions. Lovely length and outline, much like the boy above. Moved freely with reach and drive. Moderate bone and size. I preferred the eye and front on those above. 4 Mazur & Jones's **CAN Ch CURIG FAERIETALE JUPITER RISING**. 5 Irving's **TWINAN DIP YER BUTTY**.

Veteran (8) 1 Weedall & Bogue's Ch BRONABAY TROOPIN THE COLOUR JW - Reserve CC and Best Veteran beautiful head, length and outline. Correct proportions and planes to head with

depth though the end of the muzzle. Lovely width to the back skull. Lots of bone but of good oval shape down to pretty oval feet. Balanced from the side with good reach and drive. Clean coming and going. In lovely condition. 2 M Davies's **Ch RUS/UKR Ch ERMYN SNOW KNIGHT [RE-IMP]** another beautiful tricolor somewhat similar in type and outline to above though a bit more moderate in size and substance. Lovely prosternum. Handsome, masculine head with a lovely dark eye. Good easy side gait. A tough choice between these two but (being picky, I loved both of them!) I preferred the chiseling and depth to the muzzle, plus the front coming at me on the first dog. 3 Taylor, Parsons & King's **Ch OREGONIAN RAISE AN EYEBROW** beautiful head and type. Nice, moderate size with a beautiful outline. Not the front assemblies of those above. 4 Parrish's **WHARRYTONS BOREALIS AT DANGAVLYNS**. 5 Franchi's **WHITEBARN SAMUEL WHISKERS AT SANIAQUINTO**.

#### **BITCHES**

Minor Puppy (6 entries) 1 Maddox's SALVENIK SCARLET ROSE beautiful, typy package with pretty oval bone. Very feminine of correct size, substance and outline. Best front and shoulder of the group with good prosternum. Beautiful dark eyes, common in this class and wonderful to see. Lovely ears. Easy going around with good reach and drive. A beautiful puppy girl. 2 Irving's TWINAN TIGHT SQUEEZE well up to size with lots of bone. Good length and outline.



Bitch CC and Reserve BCC

Good head proportions and a lovely eye. Moved easily from the side with good reach and drive. I preferred the front on the bitch above. 3 Harrison's **HARESFOOT CORA** lovely neck and outline with balance on this tri baby girl. Correct oval bone and feet with excellent substance. Excellent length of back and ribbing. Very well-balanced shoulder to stifle giving her a free side gait with good reach and drive when she let me see it. Beautiful eyes that were very dark with thick, rich black rims. Room to grow and develop. Giving her handler fits today! I will love to see her in another

year or two when she has developed more. Today, she was trying her best not to show me her attributes! 4 Woodey's **BARAWOOD SPIRITO LIBERO**. 5 Down's **ELESSAR RAINBOW BY DESIGN**.

**Puppy** (3) 1 Maddox's **SALVENIK SUMMER ROSEBUD** beautiful, feminine head with lovely dark eyes. Very appealing type and a good outline. Best shoulder of the class with a good turn of stifle. Easy from the side with some reach and drive. 2 Evans's **CLAIRMAR RED BRACKEN** lovely neck. Easy side gait with some reach and drive. 3 Snedden's **NESDEN STOB DEARG** good back and croup. Balanced shoulder to stifle. I preferred the front and headpieces of the bitches above her.

Junior (13) 1 Roberts & Williams's COVENTRY SKY FULL OF STARS [IMP USA] Bitch CC loved her when she walked in the ring. Gorgeous outline and lovely neck flowing into a good back with excellent length and ribbing ending with a good sweep of stifle and short hocks. Beautiful, feminine head and expression with a lovely ear, correct proportions, chiseling and planes topped off with gorgeous dark eyes with rich rims. Excellent oval bone of correct substance for a bitch of her size. Moderate yet exquisite. Could wish for a touch more upper arm but she went around effortlessly holding her topline with smooth, easy reach and drive. Well presented in beautiful coat and condition. Won the CC over the Open Bitch for her more correct layback of shoulder and chiseling under the eye. Really pushed the boy for BOB. 2 Hartabus's ACADEMIA CANIS WHISPER [ATCAV01667POL] a beautiful headpiece with lovely eyes, good muzzle, correct planes and proportions. A more compact bitch but of good type and quality. Not the length and ribbing

of the girl above. Feminine with correct bone and not overdone in size or substance. Moved well in all directions. Beautiful coat and condition and well presented. 3 Alexander & M Davies's **ERMYN DREAMS ALLOWED** sweet expression. Good back and outline. Easy side gait. I preferred her shoulder to others below. 4 Wyer's **COTTIVY TWELFTH NIGHT**. 5 Coulson's **WOODHENGE STORM PRINCESS**.

Yearling (16) 1 Ivanova's RUSCh STYLE LIFE YUM-YUM classic type and outline. Well-proportioned head with a sweet expression. Extremely well-balanced front to rear with a good back and ribbing in between. A bit smaller than some here but very elegant and unmistakably feminine. Good shoulder and stifle balanced to lend an easy, free side gait with good reach and drive. Good front with lovely oval bone. Quality bitch. 2 Rees's AUST Ch JOPEARL FIRST NOELLE

AT STADWEN a more substantial bitch with lots of scope. Good length and outline. Good front and clean coming and going. Excellent reach and drive with freedom of motion. I just preferred the headpiece of the bitch above. 3 Hartabus's ACADEMIA CANIS WHISPER [ATCAV01667POL] same comments apply as in Junior 2<sup>nd</sup> place above. 4 Irving's TWINAN LOVE ME DO. 5 Down's ELESSAR ANGELS DESIGN.

Post Graduate (12) 1 Hunt's TWINAN DIPPED IN A DREAM OVER HUNTSVILLE a beautiful head with excellent proportions and good muzzle depth to end. Good oval bone. She had the best shoulder and front of the class. Gorgeous outline with lots of length and adequate ribbing. Lovely turn of stifle and short hocks. Lovely to watch go around. Very



Bitch CC with her owner Linda Roberts

pleasing type. 2 Cross's BERTLEY FIRE FLY OVER DEWISCOR lovely head and expression with excellent pigment. Elegant, attractive outline. Pretty, feminine girl. Excellent length and ribbing though I preferred the topline above. 3 C Davies's CERANDA OCEAN BREEZE good outline, bone and substance. Beautiful dark eye and pleasing expression. Not in the condition of those above which hindered her movement. 4 Harrison's HARESFOOT ZENA [NBT]. 5 May's BARWAL BASFORD BEAUTY AT GIRADELLIS.



Limit (12) 1 Newton's CORLAND SOLITAIRE beautiful head with correct planes and proportions plus depth to end of muzzle. Lovely length and outline. Best shoulder of this group with good layback, set and prosternum. Balanced with a good turn of stifle. Best topline of the class. She had an easy side gait with good reach and drive. 2 Davies & Williams's VUEDOR BREEZE ON BYE well-proportioned and feminine with an attractive headpiece and type. Sweet, feminine expression. Nice shoulder with turn of stifle. Good balance with

**BCC - Coventry Sky Full Of Stars [IMP USA]** some reach and drive from the side; pretty front and feet. Excessive weight hampered appreciation for her outline and movement. 3 Down's **ELESSAR DESIGNER COVER** a more substantial bitch than the ones above. Good outline and easy going around. Well-proportioned headpiece and overall, an attractive girl. I preferred the

front assemblies above. 4 Franchi's **ERMYN MOONLIGHT FLYER AT SANIAQUINTO**. 5 Fawcett's **WHITEBARN SEA SHELL**.



RBCC Ch Je-Suis-Kylie-Minogue Des Contamines freedom, reach and drive. Excellent condition

Open (18) 1 Masiokaite's BALT/DKK Ch JESUIS-KYLIE-MINOGUE DES CONTAMINES FR JNR Ch [ATCAT00301RUS] Reserve Bitch CC stunningly beautiful. Just dripping with type and quality. A reasonable shoulder perfectly balanced with a nice turn of stifle. Lovely neck leading to an outstanding outline if a bit more compact than other winners on the day. Beautiful, well-proportioned headpiece with a sweet expression. Utterly feminine. Oval bone with correct substance. Clean front standing and in motion. Lovely from the side with

and presentation. Pushed hard for the CC. 2 Hutton's AUS SUP Ch BOJOJAMILE BEHIND THE NEWS a very sound, well up in size bitch with a beautiful headpiece. Lots of substance but still feminine. Good oval bone. Good back and outline. Well balanced with some prosternum and good turn of stifle. Free from the side with good reach and drive. Pushed the first-place bitch but I just preferred the more moderate size of the first bitch here today. Both girls I would be proud to have owned or bred. 3 Wilberg's NO/SE/SF/DK Ch SIGGEN'S QUEEN OF DIAMONDS [ATC AQ00727NOR] well-proportioned and pleasing headpiece. Sound with easy balanced side gait.

Good prosternum. Good back though I prefer the croups on the girls above. Clean coming and going. Needs less weight. 4 Rees's Ch STADWEN FLORENCE. 5 Maddox's Ch BERTLEY SUMMER ROSE WITH SALVENIK JW.

Veteran (14) 1 M Davies's Ch VUEDOR BLACK PEARL AT ERMYM gorgeous length and outline. Lovely well-proportioned head with a good depth of muzzle to end. Excellent expression. Good substance but retains her femininity. Lovely turn of stifle and short hocks. Moves well from all directions. A beautiful veteran



RBCC 'CORA' with Ramute Masiokaite

presented in excellent condition. 2 Taylor, Parsons & King's **OREGONIAN RAISE A LAUGH** beautiful, sweet expression on this girl. Attractive and feminine. Lovely outline and length. Easy way of going. I just preferred the topline of the girl above. 3 Gordon's **RYSLIP BLACK VELVET** good outline with a balanced side gait. I just preferred the heads above. 4 Aylott's **BARWAL BELLE**. 5 J M Thomas's **ERMYN FAIRY TALE**.



Vet Bitch - Ch Vuedor Black Pearl At Ermyn



Rosettes on the Stewards' Table await!

## BEST IN SHOW & JUNIOR HANDLERS



BIS - Ch PEMCADER THUNDERBALL [NBT] owned by Kevin Dover and Lars Saether

*Mrs. Carole Smedley writes:* "To receive this invitation and officiate at the first UK Euro Corgi show, which celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> birthday was a dream come true. Organized jointly by the Welsh Corgi League and the Cardigan Welsh Corgi Association, this show, the brainchild of Kim Vigsøe Nielsen from Denmark and Christine Sonberg from Norway, was held at Crick, Northamptonshire in the spacious grounds of the Holiday Inn.

Although the weather tried to spoil the party, judges for both breeds, Vicki Sandage (Sandfox) from the USA and Peter Clifton (Joseter) found two top class exhibits for my choice as BIS Judge. Thank you both. Having awarded Ch Pemcader Thunderball his first RCC back in 2015, I had watched his progress from youngster through to maturity with interest as he has now collected an impressive total 51 CC's.

He is now at his best and in my opinion is a fine example of the breed. His virtues are there for all to see. He is a Natural Bob Tail and this to me, enhances his outline. He appealed in expression with good foreface. And with well placed shoulders and good body length.

With nice well-padded feet he moved out and with drive both front and rear, he entered the ring with a presence and attitude from one who knows how good he is and helped by his handler powered around the ring in style.

His opposition was this just veteran lady, another who gained an RCC from me as a puppy and the CC at Crufts in 2016 so both exhibits were well deserving of their BOB status on the day. She too is a delight to handle. Dark brindle in superb hard condition with a gleaming coat. Lovely head, well balanced with a good foreface and under jaw. Good length of neck, good fore chest and bone. Excellent feet. Lovely top line on the move. Perhaps with the advantage of having a day's rest, Thunderball just edged out Smile Please to take the BIS award, it was my pleasure but such a close decision.



Reserve Best In Show and Best Veteran Taylor's BYMIL SMILE PLEASE

Roberts & Williams's COVENTRY SKY FULL OF STARS, came in to challenge for RBIS. This young tri bitch although has plenty of potential lost out for the award on maturity and showmanship but her day will come so Ch Smile Please took RBIS/BOS and Best Veteran In Show to add to her many awards.



Best Puppy - Froggatt's WILDCARD QUEEN
OF CLUB FOR GEREFA

This was an interesting and close decision between a Pem, owned by Gordon & Heath, CRESCENT HEATH BRYNLEA MOONGLOW (IMP USA) and the Cardigan, Froggatt's winner, handled by the co-owner of the Pembroke dog puppy! The award went to the Cardigan as the Pem boy was not at all settled and was not as positive on the move. I would like to thank all the exhibitors involved for bringing in exhibits in immaculate condition and presentation and this made my day.

#### JUNIOR HANDLERS

There were two classes for our up and coming handlers scheduled with qualification to the JHA later in the year.

#### Age Group: 6-11 years

Just three entrants of very well-schooled young ladies who really showed off their skills, especially when the dog was placed incorrectly (by me) on the table and they all handled their dogs well.



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Miss K Read aged 7 years

And what a little star this young lady was. Handling a dog with sympathy and kindness. She did not do very much wrong. Dressed well in a lovely outfit and had her hair tied back so when she knelt down to handle her charge, she could still keep an eye on the judge - well done.

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places to Eleanor Thomas and Emily Matthews were not far behind the winner although one had been given a dog that would not co-operate, and this was the deciding factor in her placement.



2nd place Miss E Thomas



#### 3rd place Miss E Matthews

Age Group: 12-16 years

There were five entrants all of whom were excellent in their showing skills, but I could only award one winner which went to:

1st Fleur Walker handling a young bitch. Picked up on everything I asked her to do, including correcting the stance on the table. I do realize these youngsters are taught never to get between the Judge and the exhibit and my only comment would be that this young lady was quite abrupt in her movements which at times disturbed her exhibit.

2<sup>nd</sup> Line Eriksen, what a smart young lady, I discovered later she had come with her family from Denmark and I really do hope she will be able to return as she shows so much potential in her handling skills. Handled her charge with ease and listened to everything and was only just pipped at the post by Fleur, to whom I awarded Best Junior Handler. To all my entrants, thank you for waiting but your handling skills put many seasoned exhibitors to shame!

#### SPECIAL AWARD CLASSES

Judge Susan Hadley of Bethwyn Kennels, Australia writes: "I was privileged to be invited to judge these classes for Cardigan and Pembroke Welsh Corgis. My appreciation goes to all the exhibitors who showed under me, especially those Pembroke exhibitors who remained later in the day and managed the windy and damp conditions. The dogs were well presented and of lovely quality.

#### Special Award Junior Dog/Bitch [9 entries]



1 Warner's **MEITZA ERIK THE KING** a young tricolour dog [pictured left] of 16 months, having a well-balanced outline, who showed himself off well. He moved with purpose, displaying easy reach and drive enabled by correct angulation both front and rear. A pleasing head with moderate stop and well-set medium eyes. Good length of rib that supported a level topline. 2 Masiokaite's **MASTERMIND RUDENS LEGENDOS** a young red dog of 15 months, of good length, displaying lovely breed type. Well angulated and a sound mover. Head propor-

tions and eye colour and placement supported a pleasing expression. Well developed for his age, showed steadily. 3 Maddox's **SALVENIK SUMMER ROSEBUD** a very pretty young red bitch of 11 months, who was definitely competitive in this class despite giving away some age. Lovely balanced outline and reach of neck, moved soundly. Well-muscled hindquarters and shows good promise and will settle more with further development.

Reserve, Masiokaite's MERCEDES RUDENS LEGENDOS. VHC, Irving's TWINAN LIFE'S A BLAST.

#### Special Award Post-Graduate Dog/Bitch [12 entries]

1 Logie Braidwood's **TWINAN LOVE ME DO** a r/w bitch [pictured right] of 18 months, displaying good breed type. Moved smoothly around the ring with appropriate reach and drive. Well-balanced profile with level topline and well-set croup. Head showed good ear set and size with a pleasing expression. 2 Dodd's **NIRENO HOB NOB** a 3-year-old r/w dog of good substance and bone, who moved soundly around the ring. Correct ear set and head proportions. Well-balanced front and rear



with appropriate angulation. 3 Gordon & Lawrence's RYSLIP THRILLER a two-year-old r/w dog that showed correct length and balance. Well-proportioned head with medium, well-set eyes. Typical head features of the breed.

#### Special Award Open Dog/Bitch [15 entries, 4 abs]

A very nice class with many potential place getters.

1 King & Taylor's **OREGONIAN SNOW LEOPARD JW** a lovely masculine dog [pictured overleaf], of good bone and substance and appropriate length of body. Balanced head, comprising well-set eyes and ears and pleasing expression. Prominent prosternum and deep brisket giving a truly



masculine profile. Functional front and hind angulation which supported him to move out steadily. 2 Weedall & Bogue's Ch BRONABAY CANNONBALL JW a rich r/w dog of substance, impressed with his soundness and presence. Another very masculine dog with presence but no coarseness. He was alert to his handler. Good length and coat quality. 3 Maddox's REDFORDHILL MAGIC MOMENTS TO SALVENIK JW [IMP DNK] a two-year-old r/w dog of good length, with sound movement. Nice

reach of neck flowing into well-set shoulders and showed steadily.

Reserve, Irving's BORN TO BE YOUR SALT DOG AT TWINAN ShCM [IMP HUN].

VHC Masiokaite's BALT/DKK Ch JE-SUIS-KYLIE-MINOGE DES CONTAMINES FR JNR Ch.

# Corgi Summer Memories

## The Show from 'A Pet Owner Perspective'



**NICKY DAWSON writes:** We were delighted when Kevin mailed to tell us about Euro Corgi and so booked our rooms that day. The 'we' being myself, Nicky Dawson with MAISIE and BELLA and my friends Margaret and Bob Cleaver with CLOVA, LIBBY and KERI. They all have posh names but let's keep it friendly! Our journey to Crick was very quick compared to some as we only had to travel just over 60 miles

from Hertfordshire. Margaret and Bob have never stayed in a hotel, they travel the length and breadth of the UK in their motorhome and have done for some 50 years. I am happy to say

they both thoroughly enjoyed their stay and the staff were wonderful at the Holiday Inn. How lovely to walk around the hotel and know that everyone you met was a Corgi person? Heaven! The turnout was brilliant, and I spoke to so many people I lost count. I had a good natter with a real character having a quick puff outside the Hotel on the second morning; only to discover she was the Best in Show judge when I next spotted her in the ring later that day! After the show she was more than happy to explain to me why she gave Ch Pemcader



Thunderball the well-deserved title. This was **Nicky [on the left] with her Holiday Inn guests!** my first time to see him in the flesh and I could see why he wins, wins, wins ... Kevin and Lars were very friendly and happy to chat, not only about breeding and bloodlines, but we won't go into that here!

I had the most wonderful cuddles with Barry Coulson's new puppy who had travelled all the way from France. What a cutie, the puppy that is ... mind you Barry looks cuddly too! I had a cuppa



Nicky with Margaret [right] chatting to David at the ringside and their excellent company throughout the weekend. Oh, I met the famous Marcel too ... the list of celebs is endless! Kevin does a brilliant job all year round and without him we would never had known about this event, so massive thanks to Kevin. Did I enjoy myself? Absolutely! Would I go again? Without a doubt. A fantastic weekend!

and a natter with the famous 'Two Marys' and they were an absolute hoot! Did they enjoy themselves? I think so, they are a fountain of knowledge and I would love to spend a day with them. I promise to provide the gin and cakes when that time comes. Sorry, I meant tea! I also got to meet my puppy's sister ELESSAR DESIGN A RAINBOW (posh name) 'Winnie' to her friends, and Judy Down's other lovely adorable girls and have some more cuddles. I must thank Lynne and David Creech for putting up with all my questions

## Travelling 'THERE AND BACK!' to Euro Corgi



MARIA IVANOVA writes: This story is about the entertaining journey of a young Corgi from Russia named PENNY to the Euro Corgi 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show in the United Kingdom, which she accomplished in a car with the owners and marked it by a triumphant first place in Yearling Bitch Class and the subsequent triumphal return to the Motherland! 'PENNY' [or to use her show name Style Life Yum-Yum] was born early

one cold morning on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016 in the suburbs of St. Petersburg, a city of rivers and canals standing on the banks of the Neva Sovereign, in the beautiful Palmyra of the North.

There were seven of them in the brood, and Yum-Yum, when I first met her, was the first puppy who ran up and clutched at my clothes with tiny teeth until she was picked up. So, having got

on hands, as in other and in our hearts, twomonth-old PENNY declared the right to be a new member of a family and the undoubted favorite. Before PENNY's arrival, GEORGE reigned in the house - a British blue cat and four guinea pigs where everyone got on with each other and without conflict. A year later, we took another dog PHOEBE a Schipperke, which became for PENNY the indispensable and unique companion and friend in entertainment and amusement. To date, both dogs successfully attend agility, regularly win prizes and participate in exhibitions of various



PENNY aged 2 months!

ranks. In agility, PENNY's career began from four months of age. Together with Tatiana (my youngest daughter), she began to study at the canine organization of the ARKS (St. Petersburg).

At the age of eight months, PENNY went into the D0 (Jumping) category. Currently, PENNY is preparing for the transition to the A2 agility category, having successfully fulfilled all the standards of A1 agility category. In pedigree shows, PENNY has been participating since the age of three months and currently has both the Junior Champion of Russia title as well as Adult Champion of Russia. PENNY has repeatedly won national and international shows under the auspices of the

Russian Canine Federation, Belye Nochi I, Gospodin Velikiy Novgorod 2017 and XVII National Chempeangue. *The Journey to England ...* Our desire to visit England developed long ago, and this summer 2018 it was fulfilled. The time of my vacation coincided with the Euro Corgi show,



Airbone at agility with Tanya!

moreover, the girls (the eldest, Ekatherine and the youngest, Tatiana) both free from schoolwork, were also ready to go. Of course, PENNY and Phoebe the dogs are always ready, just to be with us. With the travel itinerary and visa documents being prepared within a few months we originally planned to take a plane on a direct flight from Pulkovo (St. Petersburg) to London Heathrow.

But it turned out that traveling by air is fraught with a number of inconveniences both for us and for dogs. According to the rules of air travel, dogs can only be transported by cargo to England. This meant that the dogs had to fly separately. But we did not dare to part

with them. Since a quick and convenient journey by plane could not take place, we decided to take the overland route by train instead. To do this, we needed to take the train first from St. Petersburg to Moscow, and then take the train to Paris. From there, renting a car to cross the English Channel by ferry, we could then get to our destination. However, it turned out that a train ride with two dogs also entails a number of restrictions. In particular, only one dog is allowed to be accommodated per compartment.

We have two dogs so in the end, decided to go on our own in a private car. The route was now changed from St. Petersburg to Helsinki (Finland), from where we boarded a ferry and went across the Baltic Sea to Travemünde in northern Germany. On the ferry, we ran into a minor difficulty as PENNY categorically refused to go to the place reserved for the toilet. The road to Helsinki took about nine hours and, on the ferry, we spent twenty-eight hours.

From Travemünde we drove to Hamburg also in Germany, where we spent the coming night. The journey from Hamburg took us through to the Netherlands and then to the town of Oostkamp in Belgium where 10 hours later we stopped for the third night. The next day, we left Oostkamp and went to Calais in France to Eurotunnel. Unfortunately, it wasn't immediately possible to leave through the Eurotunnel, as we were stopped by veterinary control due to the fact that the treatment



PENNY with some of her trophies

for helminths should have been done no earlier than five days before crossing the border of England, and we had it done before entering the European Union, namely, before leaving St. Petersburg and the five days had expired at the entrance to the English Channel.

Therefore, from the loading area, we went back to Calais to a veterinary clinic to obtain the

necessary treatment. Help was received quickly, but tickets to Eurotunnel were replaced only the next day. We spent our free time in Calais on a wild beach. And here the dogs first saw the sea and what was their surprise when such a large amount of water and in such a heat was impossible to drink, it was salty! The next day, passing London on the motorway bypass, we got to Crick which became the final point of our journey. Total travel time was 5 days! The journey began on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and on 26<sup>th</sup> July we arrived at the Hotel Ibis Rugby East just 2 miles from the Euro Corgi Show Site. In general, the journey was measured and enjoyable. We of course. did not have time to see the sights of all the places that passed us by, but could admire the view from the car window. On Saturday 28th July we took part in the show. The best part of the weekend, of course, was the unexpected but very welcome victory of PENNY and Tanya [Handler] in the Yearling Bitch class. We really enjoyed the warm reception of the organizers and participants.



RUS Ch STYLE LIFE YUM-YUM RUS Junior Ch

At the show, we met with very many experts and connoisseurs of the breed, breeders and amateurs, dogs and their owners. In Crick we spent a total of 4 days out of 5 of those that we were in in England. Another day was spent visiting London. The weekend flew by quickly and then it was time to go home. We returned the same way as we arrived, but this time the road took less time at only four days. Summing up the trip, we can say that it was a wonderful experience. A well-deserved reward has taken a worthy place on the achievements shelf. PENNY, on arrival home, once again enjoyed rapturous looks and caresses from members of the club and local breeders. Unfortunately, in the near future it is unlikely for us to be able to repeat this wonderful adventure. It's too tiring for one driver for such a long journey!

#### Welsh Corgi Klubben Denmark



**ERIK FAARUP writes:** In the spring of 2017, it became clear that the two Corgi clubs in the UK would host the Euro Corgi Show 2018. That brought to mind happy memories here in Denmark, as we hosted the Euro Corgi Show 2016, and we all look back on a wonderful event. It has been around 30 years since Ilse and I first attended a CWCA championship show, and through the years we have participated many times, also at Crufts. Since it became possible to

bring our dogs to England, we have gladly done so many times. It has always been something special to show in England and we love it. However, this was the first time we participated in a show for both Cardigans and Pembrokes.

The show took place over two days. On Saturday 28th July the dogs were judged and on Sunday it was the bitches' turn. Cardigans were judged by Peter Clifton (UK), and Pembrokes were judged by Vicki Sandage (USA). BIS judge was Carole Smedley (UK). Fourteen people and as many Cardigans came from Denmark, and we were all looking forward to spending a lovely weekend

with all our British Corgi friends. We had all chosen to travel by car through Germany and The Netherlands and by ferry from Hoek van Holland to Harwich. It was a hot journey, but all went







Mrs J Flinck - BIG WOOD'S KEN ON KULTAA

well. The trip to the show and return journey to Denmark was about 2,300 km. During Friday we all took up quarters at the Holiday Inn and on Friday evening we gathered around a buffet and said hello to both old and new Corgi friends. We from Denmark would like to express our sincere thanks to both CWCA and WCL for a splendid weekend. Everything was planned down to the last detail, and the atmosphere by the ringside was wonderful. The cake buffet and sandwiches were as always marvellous, we felt welcome and are ready for the next trip to the motherland when the opportunity presents itself!

# 'You Become What You Believe!'



RAMUTÉ MASIOKAITE of RUDENS LEGENDOS from Lithuainia writes: The CORA [Je-Suis-Kylie Minogue Des Contamines] story had begun about 20 miles away from the Euro Corgi 2018 show location, during the Welsh Corgi League 75th Anniversary show in 2013. On

that occasion we came to the show as spectators.

During that event my eyes caught the young girl Gwyneth Paltrow Des Contamines and I realized then that I wanted to have a copy of Gwy. I dreamed a dream. League show, Crufts and the USA National are all well worth visiting.

You could meet all the colleagues, you could make many friendships and your eyes could catch near future stars and to see the real stars in the rings, especially veterans' rings. If you have to question whether it is worthwhile to be in such a show ring, I would say yes. *And what is the value?* First of all I appreciate the judges, who are long running and successful breeders and who present Pembrokes in the competition. To receive a valuation from such specialists is a big honour. Second, whilst in



CORA and her very happy team of admirers!

the ring you can compare your dog with other competitors so that by learning from others you

could improve the appearance and behaviour of your dog in its presentation.

And the last one, but by no means the least moment is how we were received at Euro Corgi 2018 in the Tenth Anniversary Show because we were given such a huge amount of compliments, congratulations and admiration from the people there. But ten weeks before our Euro Corgi visit this year we had journeyed with **CORA** to be at the Welsh Corgi League 80th Anniversary show on Saturday 5th May.

In both that event and Euro Corgi **CORA** won RCC. We travelled for two days [that's 2,500 kilometres each way] on hot summer days. It wasn't the easiest transport experience. But both show atmospheres were friendly and warm-hearted. Small gifts and attention from the organizers made us feel welcome.



CORA with handler Goda Sulcaite

It helped to feel relaxed and to be a part of these events. We met friendly colleagues and made friends inside and near the rings. I'm grateful to both the judges; Ms Amanda Rees [at the WCL Show] and Ms Vicki Sandage [at Euro Corgi] for their high opininion of us and the momentous feelings created in the critiques they wrote about **CORA**. I'm also grateful to the breeders whose bloodlines are the basis of her pedigree and for their trust. And not forgetting a BIG thank you for the spectators - what raptures, compliments and good wishes they gave to us from the wings! **Now that Christmas is coming, I wish that all of you don't stop to dream!...** 

# 'Born To Be' from Budapest

Alexandra Tréfan-Török writes: Our affix back home is BORN TO BE CORGIS and I was so busy earlier in the summer on 27<sup>th</sup> May in Hungary with our own annual Corgi Herding Day and Olympic Games event now in its fifth year. It was an extraordinary day again and something for us to talk about for a long time. To see how many people love their Corgis with true passion was unbelievable! There were 295 humans at this awesome gathering with 71 Corgis. Twenty-

six Corgis were competing in the herding challenges (they passed their herding instinct tests earlier), 12 passed the herding instinct test on this day (out of 16) and 43 were active on all different obstacles and games to win the Corgi Olympic Games. It is always fantastic to see how many of them have strong herding instincts and by organizing this programme we push their herding button on therefore keeping their original functions alive. Lovely to see how many new people are interested in this day too, the number of visitors was



The 'Born To Be Corgis' team arrival!

really unique, just like the event itself. I truly like the idea to encourage people to have fun with their dogs. Although showing is not really everything that there is available to do with



Two happy Corgi visitors exploring the Show!

our Corgi companions, there is much more for owner and dog to get involved in. So many other enjoyable outdoor pursuits in life can be arranged and to encourage interest I offered some sponsorship items in support of our outdoor event. These were beautiful quality enamelled Corgi badges made from zinc which we made specially for our herding day. Then later I thought, why not bring some of them to Euro Corgi afterwards and give them to the Agility & Games teams personally at the Holiday Inn? So, we did, and I think that everybody liked them! What a hectic few

months we've had and then to finish with over two hundred splendid Corgis to look at in England! We would like to say big congratulations to the Euro Corgi Committee for organizing such a great should Ma thoroughly enjoyed it and all the schedules.

great show! We thoroughly enjoyed it and all the schedules very much, so we didn't mind driving through Europe from Hungary to be there in a day! Unfortunately, hobby Corgi owners don't really do this kind of distance, however there are many very well trained and educated Corgis in Hungary. Pity that it is 1,800 km to get there! Eventually we decided to drive. It is always wonderful to see a breed show where there is plenty of time to judge each dog and time to watch it. And also, a wonderful possibility to meet great breeders from all parts of the world in person and admire their dogs.

There was another reason for us to attend as our girl **LOVEJOY** came into season at that time and it was a big motivation for us to mate her with our own bred **UK Ch Born To Be Your Salt Dog At Twinan** and be able to celebrate two months later with seven little Euro Corgi souvenirs!



Our special event brooches

# **Agility Roundup**

**SUKIE HUNTER/MIDDLEMISS writes:** At the end of July DILLY and I and some equipment kindly lent by our club, Godmanchester Dog Training Club, went to Euro Corgi 2018, where we manned a demonstration and have-a-go agility ring. We were joined by Suzanna Van Eeghen and this proved very popular.

Several competitors came up to give their dogs a first taste of agility, and others, mainly from continental Europe, to show us how good their Corgis already were! Hopefully some people will carry on, find a club to train with and we will see them at shows in the future. DILLY is pictured here



heading off into the demonstration agility course at Euro Corgi. The grass really was that colour, but unfortunately for the competitors this was the weekend that the weather broke. It stayed fine on the Saturday but despite the damp conditions on the next day it didn't dampen interest.

# Whisper her Name!



LUKASZ HARTABUS writes: We had already been thinking about our trip to the UK for Euro Corgi 2018 for a long time, but finally decided to go. At the beginning, there were so many problems with registering

and receiving the ATC number. Fortunately, managed to do

everything before the deadline.

And so, we took with us our bitch Academia Canis WHISPER who was born in our kennel. Our trip lasted almost twenty-three hours, including a ferry from Dunkirk to Dover. Unfortunately, there were no rooms available in the hotel where the show was located, so we had to look for a different place. But all this ACADEMIA CANIS WHISPER [ATC AV01667POL]



was not very important because the best thing for us was to have participated in Euro Corgi! We were the only breeders who came from Poland for this event.

Our girl ZOSIA [Academia Canis WHISPER] presented herself very well. She was shown in both Junior and Yearling Bitch Classes. And in both classes, she was on the podium with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place and a 3<sup>rd</sup> place respectively. Of course, the show is not just only a presentation of dogs, but also the opportunity to meet other breeders and Corgi owners. It was amazing for us because we could finally talk face to face with; Diane Baillie, Susan Hadley, Gloria Woodward, Valerie Joan Hutton, Caron McGregor, Vicky Sandage, Peter Clifton, Chris Blance, Wally Aylott, Diana King, Alan Matthews, Lorraine Weedall, Rita and Leif Wilberg, Hilary Wyer, Teresa Maddox and Alexandra Trefán-Török.

It was also an opportunity to meet with Mary Davies, Liz Cartledge, Kevin Dover, Lars Saether and Barry Coulson who shared their experiences with us. We thank you all very much for that. Many thanks also to the organizers and participants of the show for such a nice time. We have already made the decision that we will be coming back to the UK more often in future!

## The Tale of LARA's handler...



JO GORDON of TROUTOP writes: Friday 27th July started with taking all the dogs for a nice long walk and of course they got as mucky as they could, then home for breakfast. All dogs into the bath, this seemed to take forever

then into the campervan and we were off to Euro Corgi! Using an old sat nav was the not the best, we were nearly there and instead of following my instinct I followed the sat nav which took me an extra 20 minutes. Arriving at the hotel we met with Liz Cartledge the owner/breeder of most of the dogs and Ed and Cheryl Heath the breeder of the new boy that Liz



A quick glance at our Judge!



Judge Peter Clifton examines LARA

had imported from the USA named Crescent Hill Brynlea Moon Glow [BRADLEY] who's a grandson of Ryslip History Boy, the dog Liz sent to America to live with Ed and Cheryl. Shortly after 10.00 on Saturday 28th July the dog classes commenced. My parents had put up our gazebo and we had four males entered.

Ed was showing BRADLEY which was his first time showing in the UK and BRADLEY had only been to a few shows beforehand. Unfortunately, due to getting the next dog ready I didn't get to see all the class judging. I looked round to see **BRADLEY** and Ed in first place and I was so pleased for them both. The

day went on with me preparing dogs for the ring with the Pembrokes doing well in their classes as well as handling Cardigans. At the end of proceedings was the Challenge where BRADLEY

and Ed were pulled out into the last four to be under consideration for the CC. BRADLEY was awarded Best Puppy Dog.

What an end to a great day! Sunday 29th July was the turn for the bitches. Again, the day was spent grooming both Pembrokes and Cardigans. First in the ring was Wildcard Queen of Clubs for Gerefa [pet name LARA] and I was handling her for Richard and Carole Froggatt.

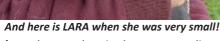
We were placed first in the class. The other dogs all did well in the ring. It was then on to the challenge for the Bitch CC in Cardigans where we won Best Puppy Bitch. What another day! So, I now had my boy BRADLEY handled by Ed in the challenge for best puppy in



LARA listens carefully to instructions!

breed Pembroke and LARA in the challenge for best Cardigan. First Ed and BRADLEY took Best Puppy then LARA and I did the same.

Oh no, I have to challenge my own dog for best puppy in show! Most probably one of the hardest things I've had to do showing dogs, trying to beat my own dog with someone else's. We went into the ring and poor BRADLEY didn't know what to do, look at his breeder/handler or look at me! LARA the Cardigan and I were awarded Best Puppy In Show, a very bittersweet moment.



But what an amazing weekend. As well as the puppies doing so well the other dogs also had successes with three other disciplines namely;

[a] Merthyr Wanda-Win The Toss For Ryslip gaining 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Limit Dog class, [b] Ryslip Thriller coming 3rd in the Special Award Post Graduate and Junior Handling class and [c] Ryslip Black Velvet achieving 3rd place in Veteran Bitch.

## ...and the Tale of BRADLEY's handler!



ED HEATH of the CRESCENTHILL KENNEL in the USA writes about the trip with his wife

Cheryl to Euro Corgi: "A deer jumped out of the brush alongside the road and landed directly in front of my car. And, thus our Euro Corgi adventure began with a misadventure two days before we even got on a plane. Then we nearly had Misadventure No. 2 when our flight from Louisville USA left an hour and a half late, assuring that we would not make our scheduled connection. Fortunately, an enterprising flight attendant searched her computer-phone gadget and discovered a later flight with seats available. So, about eight hours later we trudged the miles-long halls of Heathrow into the arms of Liz Cartledge.

She drove us to Sussie Wiles' farm, where a drama was being played out: Sussie's Corgi DILLON had done what Corgis are known to do. He had consumed a large portion of an unguarded bag of kibble, leaving him looking like a large orange beach ball with legs. Eventually, this problem "passed" and Sussie packed us into her big Chrysler van and zipped us off to the village of Bakewell in Derbyshire. We checked into a small room at the Peacock Inn. It had no air conditioning for us spoiled Americans and no chest of drawers. But it had a great four-poster bed and a square toilet!

We eventually figured out how to fit our electric socket adapter, so I could shave, shower and have a great night's sleep. Birds in the tree outside our window commenced choir practice at 5am. Didn't bother Cheryl. After a great breakfast (a lot less than was offered) we went off to the show grounds. Liz and Sussie judged that day. Afterwards, we went wandering around Bakewell. Loved that town. If I ever win the Lottery, I'm going to move to Bakewell. I even loved their legendary tarts. Dinner that night took two and a half hours listening to dog show stories, some of them possibly true! The next day, Sunday, cool, breezy and sunny, was Cheryl's turn to judge

the Corgi entry. The sky was blue, and the grass was tall. Cheryl declared Tracy Irving's boy the best, and those of us outside the ring agreed. He went on to first in the group and Reserve Best in Show. We spent the rest of a delightful afternoon visiting with Di Johnson. Then Sussie drove us up and down narrow roads and through one-lane city streets like she was in grand prix! She raced us off to a bed & breakfast called Dannah Farm.

Again, great bed but no AC in the bedroom and super breakfasts. I saw my first Monkey Puzzle Tree there. Next stop Chatsworth! This house/palace is magnificent in size, décor and



BRADLEY in a more relaxed pose!

history as well as an impressive commercial enterprise. The art, sculptures and tapestries are priceless and the gardens so grand. Then we toured more of Derbyshire and Peak District villages stopping at Castleton and Blue John and Park Hill caverns. Liz and I hiked back into one that had been modified to receive a visit from Queen Victoria, a rather short person we were told. Too short for us, as we had to walk several yards bent uncomfortably low. Loved this countryside with hills and stone fences everywhere. Noticed that all the little villages were crowded with other tourists like us.

Visited Haddon Hall. This place was old.... and smelled like it! Built beginning of the 12<sup>th</sup> Century, the administrators seem intent on maintaining its characteristic musty aroma.

But they are also serious about maintaining their different levels of beautiful gardens. Said farewell on Thursday to Dannah Farm's scrambled eggs and sausage and moved on to Hassop Hall for an elegant lunch. This old hotel features multiple chandeliers, white table cloths, silver tableware and the most efficient



Alert and ready for anything!

staff. Such a comfortable experience. Then it was off to Crick and the Euro Corgi Show. We checked into the Holiday Inn and the smallest room ever. But it had air conditioning! The lobby was filled with old acquaintances; Joan Hutton, Gloria Woodward, Mary Winsone, Joanne McCann, Chris and Nicki Blanche, Barry Coulson and Kevin Dover. Cheryl and Liz went shopping somewhere with Joanne while I went out and watched workers put up the big tent and exhibitors put up little tents. That's where I ran into Jo Gordon and BRADLEY [CrescentHill-Brynlea Moon Glow] the tri-coloured boy Cheryl and I bred and sent over to Liz back in the spring. We did that in response to Liz sending us a little boy named SPENCER, who gave us many thrills for several years over in the States.

I thought BRADLEY looked great, and Jo surprised me by declaring that she intended that I would show him and a couple of her other Corgis in classes the next day. Wow! A test walk of BRADLEY showed what I thought was a nice outline and a smooth balanced gait with decent reach and drive. Meanwhile, Jo had contracted to show a bunch of Cardigans. Saturday was showtime and there was fellow American Vickie Sandage in the middle of the

ring watching BRADLEY prefer to sit rather than pose, but one good loop around the ring (plus cheese) did the trick! He was later designated Best Male Puppy.

Then, much to Jo's delight BRADLEY was pulled out in the final cut for Winners Dog. Kevin Dover was in the front of the line with his super dog, and I was in the back of the line with my super dog-in-training. Congratulations Kevin and Ch. Pemcader Thunderball! Sunday arrived with a more All England style of weather; cool, misty, windy rain. Some beautiful bitches paraded through the ring, and you could tell Judge Vickie really enjoyed her assignment.

She went on to name Kevin's Thunderball the Best Pembroke. Then BRADLEY went back into the ring to meet the Best Female Puppy and came out with the Best Pembroke Puppy rosette. Cheers! Kevin and Magnus went into Mrs Carole Smedley's ring and was declared victor over the Best Cardigan for Best in Show. All around seemed to agree that was how it should have been. So, then it was a matter of how BRADLEY would fare against the Best Cardigan Puppy. And, look who it is Wildcard Queen of Clubs for Gerefa handled by, oh no, Jo Gordon, BRADLEY's owner! I'm declaring it unfair. As we're gaiting around the ring, I'm struggling to keep BRADLEY moving in a straight line because Jo is constantly chattering encouragement to her Cardigan, and BRADLEY doesn't know who to pay attention to.



Why don't you pose nicely for the Judge!

We came to the end of the go-around and I'm trying to get him to give me a nice pose and stop turning around to Jo. But, too late, the judge is upon us. Cardigan wins. I really shouldn't complain. The Best in Show Cardigan was nice, and BRADLEY's accomplishment was thrilling. That afternoon we said goodbye to Liz and went off with Jo to her home in Pershore, Worcestershire. Before we left for home, we had the privilege of a lunch with Liz and Sussie at the new Kennel Club building. Beautiful place, the most wonderful dining companions who gave us our most thrilling vacation adventures ever. Thank you. Thank you.

We look forward to our next trip over, possibly for the 2020 Crufts. And we should also mention how impressed we were about the Euro Corgi show itself. What a great idea to invite Corgis from all around Europe and beyond to come together in one place for two days of friendly competition and comradeship. Such an event requires lots of coordination and cooperation, something Corgi people seem to have in abundance. Well done all. Could it be compared to the annual national specialty of the Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of America? Certainly!"

## **Back again from The Netherlands!**



Yvonne Gouweleeuw van Mierlo of O'R Tirroedd Isel writes: In early May, when we came to the Welsh Corgi League 80th Anniversary

Show, I saw a blue programme of the Euro Corgi 2018 event. As we had such a pleasant weekend we decided to cross the Channel one more time at the end of July as well. Again, it was the four of us: Hanne Sigtermans, Rina Grouwstra, Josephien Haarhuis and me. At



CHICCA was entered in the Junior Bitch class the League show we each brought one bitch, but this time only two of my bitches travelled with us, FFANCY and CHICCA. In spite of the holiday-time there was a lot of traffic, so a lot of traffic-jams! But luckily, we were in time for the 'Friday Night Hot Fork Buffet'. So nice to meet friends and acquaintances. It was a pity the weather had changed so much. We came from a heat-wave, but now it was cold and windy. On Saturday I even went to Rugby

to buy a raincoat and a warm sweater! But Corgi people are tough, so we just enjoyed the show. Compliments to the judges who went on and on, despite the rain. We bought all kinds



FFANCY - our other travelling companion!

of Corgi items too. I can now drink my wine since that weekend out of my Corgi designed wine glass! We also loved the auction. What a splendid idea to raise money for the club! Of course we spent the day looking at a lot of beautiful dogs. And it was a great success for the well-known Pembroke Ch Pemcader Thunderball to became Best In Show! On Monday morning we went back home again. less traffic, but a few hours delay at the Euro Tunnel. Then we had to give back the 'hour' we got as a present from UK on the outward journey! We had a safe trip back to the Netherlands and were looking forward to the next event: The World Dog Show 2018, which was held in Amsterdam. Thanks very much for the organization and the lovely atmosphere. We hope to come again another time!

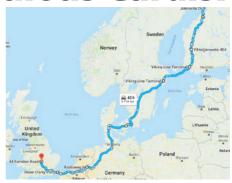
## Finland's Fabulous Cardis!



This first picture shows the Cardigan Corgis from Finland after the show demonstrating

their winning rosettes! And speaking of winning there were some well deserved results for; Tara Peltola winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in Minor Puppy Dog with HANDSKES NAME OF

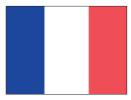




THE GAME; Johanna Flinck taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Junior Bitch with BIG-WOOD'S KIPINÄN HETKI ATCAV and Johanna again with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Veteran Bitch with Ch BIG-WOOD'S TRIUMPH RENOWN.

There were some long haul routes undertaken by our visitors in order to get here and as the map above shows; from Finland across to Sweden then down through Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium and to France, it was quite a trip!

## THE FRENCH CONNECTION



We were not able to round up everybody to write for us but there were a few photos that still captured the show

atmosphere. Johanna Flinck and Tarja Peltola took some wonderful pictures and this first one we found of hers is of Marcel Le Corgi who came along as a spectator with his owners





Aurélie Four and her husband. Aurélie also takes photographs but does this for a living and often travels between the UK where she now lives and her native France on numerous assignments. In this shot Marcel is looking his usual happy self with his dad taking in the scenery outside the show ring! Meanwhile, inside the ring, Elisabeth Camboni [affix Des Contamines] is seen with ABERLEE FOLLOW THAT DREAM and was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Junior Dog.

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A splendid Corgi cake made by Louise Hill!

Our ever present steward Andrew Morris!

## .... and don't forget Eurocorgi 2019!









Dear Corgi Community, we are delighted to be hosting Eurocorgi 2019 in AUSTRIA. The show will be held at the Hotel Stockinger, 4052 Ansfelden-Kremsdorf, Ritzlhofstrasse 63 commencing Friday 14th June and is about 15 minutes away from the venue of Eurodog 2019 in Wels. The judge for Cardigans will be Mrs. Thelma Taylor, [UK] *Tamlin* and for Pembrokes Mr. Kevin Dover, [UK] *Pemcader*. The reserve judge is Mr. Kim Vigsø Nielsen, [DK] *Blondies*. The Programme is as follows: 13th June, for those arriving on Thursday we are holding a welcome meeting at the hotel. On 14th June, Eurocorgi judging starts at 10.00 and all classes and titles are as per our entry form. Dinner is scheduled for 19.00 approximately. On 15th June the Eurodog Show judge for Cardigans is Mr. Barrie Croft [UK] and for Pembrokes Miss Sarah Taylor [UK]. On 16th June the Austrian Winner Show judge for Cardigans and Pembrokes is Mrs. Liz Cartledge, [UK]. Entries for all shows is at: www.hundeausstellungen.at or by email for Eurocorgi: e.soltesz@aon.at Organization: E. Soltesz, OCBH 0664 3443980 FB Group: Eurocorgishow 2019, Austria.

## POSTSCRIPT



The Editor's favourite photograph!



PORRIDGE patiently awaits some grooming!



Let the Judging commence!



Showing is always better in the sunshine!



The Last Word - 'MAGNUS' Ch Pemcader Thunderball NBT Champion at EURO CORGI 2018!