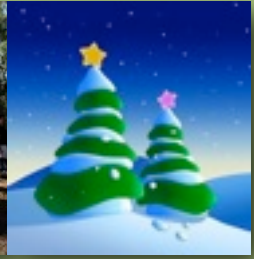


# Pyrenean Sheepdog



## Seasons Greetings



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE PYRENEAN SHEEPDOG CLUB OF GB  
Christmas 2010

*Welcome to the Christmas Newsletter, this is a truly bumper issue and I must take this opportunity to thank all the people who have contributed this time, it makes the role of editor so much easier. I am sure that everyone will find something of interest to themselves. If anyone is having difficulty receiving their copy of the newsletter please let me know so that we can iron out the problems.*

*Can I take the opportunity of wishing everyone on behalf of the Committee a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year*

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Web site editor :- Vacant Position

We are in the process of trying to recruit a new web site editor and hopefully this will be resolved in the near future. In the meanwhile photos for later inclusion can always be sent to me at the e-mail above.

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# BITS AND PIECES FROM THE SECRETARY

## AGM

Notice is hereby given that the AGM of the Pyrenean Sheepdog Club of GB will take place on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011** at 11am in Lubenham Village Hall, Lubenham, Leics.

In accordance with the Constitution and Rules, Pat and Steve Phillips are required to retire from the committee but are eligible for re-election without nomination. Pat and Steve are willing to stand for re-election.

The Secretary and Treasurer are required to retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election without nomination. Liz Lewis is willing to stand for re-election as Secretary, but Toni Wescott-Smith wishes to stand down as Treasurer. Nominations for Treasurer are therefore invited and must have a Proposer and Seconder.

Nominations for anyone wishing to stand for the committee, with a Proposer and a Seconder should be received by the Secretary by 20th January as should nominations for the Treasurer. Applicants need to have been a member of the club for at least a year to be eligible for election to the committee.

Any items for inclusion on the Agenda for the AGM should be received by the Secretary by 20th January.

Lunch at the pub in Lubenham can be arranged for any members who wish to get together after the AGM. Please let Carla Senkpiehl know by 24th February if you want to book a place.

Directions to Lubenham Village Hall are as follows:

Lubenham is 10 miles from the M1 Junction 20 and one mile from Market Harborough. From the M6 Junction 1 turn left towards Lutterworth on the A426 and at the Lutterworth roundabout, follow the signs for Market Harborough, crossing over the M1 on to the A4304. Follow the A4304 for approximately 10 miles to Lubenham. Take the second Left towards Foxton, then immediately first left. The hall is on the left.



## CALENDARS

Are you still looking for that last minute Christmas present? Our full colour calendar would make an ideal stocking filler. Cost is £5 plus post and packing and is available from Kim Randall.



## WEBSITE

Charlie Stratton has decided not to continue as our web master. Charlie did a great job in setting up a new website and we would like to express our thanks to him.

The committee is in the process of finding someone else to manage the site. Until this happens, changes cannot be made to some of the pages. We hope that you will bear with us during this transition period.



## CRUFT'S 2011

Crufts is on from 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> March. Pastoral Day is on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> this year. Once again as much help as possible is required to man the breed stand over the four days. If you are able to help please contact **Carla Senkpiehl** (contact details on the Committee page) as she will be organising the rota this time. Car park and entry tickets are provided by the Kennel Club, as are vouchers towards the cost of food. You don't have to be an expert on the breed. If you live with a Pyrenean Sheepdog, you can tell other people what they are like. There will always be a committee member on hand to lend support.



## POINTS SYSTEM

If you have been showing your dog or competing in obedience or agility don't forget to send in your points for 2010 using the form at the back of the Newsletter. We want to recognise any achievement so do let Liz Lewis know if you and your dog have done anything special this year. The deadline for returning your forms or informing us of any achievement is 20<sup>th</sup> January.

Trophies for top Obedience, Agility, Show dog, Puppy and Junior Handler will be presented at the AGM as will Certificates of Achievement.

Obedience and Agility forms and any other claims to fame should be sent to Liz Lewis, 10 Asquith Boulevard, Knighton, Leicester LE2 6FA. Showing forms (including Puppy classes) should be sent to Pat Phillips, Cockett Farm, Ferryhill, Basford, Nr Leek Staffs S13 7ET.

Junior Handler forms should be sent to Toni Wescott-Smith, 24 Beech Avenue, Thongsbridge, Holmfirth, Huddersfield HD9 7SX



### FUN DAY

The Fun Day 2011 will be on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at The Canine Academy, Tollerton, Notts.

Full details will be in the Spring edition of the Newsletter but make sure that you put the date in your new diary.



### JUSTICE FOR DOGS

Justice for Dogs is a charity, which offers free legal advice and assistance on all matters relating to canine welfare to persons in need. They also try to encourage the formation of groups throughout the UK working towards education on responsible dog ownership. The Pyrenean Sheepdog Club of GB has joined Justice for Dogs. This means that all members of the club can have access to the services of Justice for Dogs.



### TOP TIP

I have recently discovered that peanut butter is an ideal medium for disguising pills when trying to dose your dog! It moulds nicely around the tablet and it goes down in an instant! Our two love it so much that even the one not being dosed has to have their share!

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

JONATHAN PATTISON

PAULINE KEABLE

SUSAN BUTTIVANT

JONI JOHNSON



## HIP SCORES

ELLENORA DU CHAMP D'ONIX AVEC LOUSLITGES (IMP FRA)

RH5/LH5 Total: 10 (01/09/10)

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RH6/LH6 Total: 12 (11/06/10)



### GOOD CITIZENS AWARD SCHEME

Shane Flint has continued to progress her PSDs in the Good Citizens Award Scheme during 2010 with Celeste (Rozimba Celeste avec Sandytrail) achieving her Gold award at 20 months and Pia (Rozimba Piau Engaly avec Sandytrail) achieving her Bronze award at 5 months.

Congratulations to both dogs and their owners



GET YOUR CAMERAS OUT AND TAKE WINTER /SNOW SCENE PICTURES OF YOUR DOGS FOR USE ON NEXT YEARS CHRISTMAS CARD OR CALENDAR.

## HERDING IN BELGIUM

Over the last 2 years we have been actively participating in sheep herding training and instinct testing with our PSDs Remy (Merrywood Efren at Sandytrail) and Celeste (Rozimba Celeste avec Sandytrail) mainly at a working farm close to our home in North Yorkshire. In 2009 both dogs successfully passed the Swedish herding instinct test at an "All Breeds" herding clinic run by Swedish shepherd Carl Borgstrom. The Swedish test assesses the dogs on 4 criteria; Level of Interest, Mental Stamina, Natural Ability and Bid-ability (how responsive the dog is to human control). Marks out of 5 are awarded against each criteria with a minimum score of 3 on each criteria required in order to pass the assessment. 20 dogs from a wide variety of pastoral breeds were assessed over the weekend clinic and Remy and Celeste were two out of only four dogs that passed the assessment.



In addition to ongoing training in North Yorkshire, we took both dogs to Belgium in the summer to a herding clinic for PSDs organized by the CAPB which is the Belgian PSD Club. About 15 dogs attended on an absolutely scorching hot day which was not easy for the dogs or the sheep. Many dogs were being introduced to sheep for the first time whilst others that had previous experience were given

the opportunity to demonstrate their skills. It was really good to see a wide range of PSDs in action as well meet other PSD owners in a very welcoming and friendly setting. Both Remy and Celeste had a great day and a lot of their training in North Yorkshire certainly paid off as they demonstrated their abilities with the sheep. The shepherd in particular liked Remy's strong "work ethic" and the fact that he worked the sheep at a distance. PSDs certainly have their own distinctive style of working which is completely different to the border collie. They are very much "big energy in a small package" and are very effective at "driving" stubborn flocks from A to B.



Herding instinct of course has its origins in the domestic dog's wolf ancestry and the primeval instinct to hunt and gather prey. In the hunting situation some members of the pack have the job of driving, gathering and corralling the prey. Whilst today's domestic dog is a long way from this ancestry it is the instinct and ability to drive gather and corral that has been harnessed and retained by the pastoral breeds in particular. A bit of research will quickly tell you that the pastoral breeds sort of fall into 3 different herding styles. Some breeds like the Border Collie excel at "mustering and gathering", other breeds like the Kelpie, the Australian sheepdog, the Pyrenean sheepdog etc are particularly strong at "driving", whereas breeds like the GSD and Briard excel at what is termed "flock tending" a very distinctive style that involves a lot of patrolling and perimeter work to keep the flock in an area. Within each of these 3 styles of course there are countless specific pastoral breeds from all over the world each with their own unique style and context within which they work. Whilst understanding and working with the different breed styles is

important, a dog with enough instinct that is also intelligent and has good temperament can be trained to work across all the different styles, even though it may have a strength in one way of working.



The whole process of communication that goes on in any live herding situation is totally fascinating. We are all aware I guess of the process of communication that takes place between handler and dog, it is where we naturally concentrate when trying to get our dogs to perform anything but when you are in a paddock with your dog and a flock of sheep there are two other levels to the communication process. Besides the dog/handler communication there is a dog/sheep communication as well as a handler/sheep communication to understand. The herding situation presents a fascinating cocktail of interaction and most of it is going on at a non-verbal level. The dog and the sheep of course are experts at non-verbal communication and the human isn't or more correctly the inexperienced handler isn't. It is a privilege to watch experienced shepherds such as Carl Borgstrom control both sheep and dog with subtle body positions and movements with the requirement only occasionally to utter a few sounds. So as you can see there is so much more to herding than you



might think at first glance. Seeing your dog's skills grow and develop is great but developing your own skills and understanding about what is going on is also part of it. It is a real partnership.

For us there is something quite basic and fundamental about seeing your dog working with stock. When you see your dog circling a flock of sheep, moving in both directions, doing its best to bring them to you, and all of this without any commands or prior training, then you realise that something very close to your dog's true purpose is being expressed.

Our dogs really love the opportunity to work with sheep. We have seen our dogs really express themselves in a way that no other activity really allows them to do. They are developing new skills and they have had their limits and boundaries tested in a supportive way that has allowed them to increase their confidence and stature. It really feels like the dogs are in a bigger "space", and the really good news is that they have brought some of this to the other things that they do. As you can no doubt tell we are really hooked.



As a final footnote and with the winter approaching we have now finished our herding training for 2010 but at our last training session at the end of October Remy attained his stage 1 herding skills certificate which is an award given by our "All Breeds" training sheherd here in North Yorkshire. This certification requires the dog to demonstrate a number of skills including, balancing the flock to the handler, circling in both directions, a controlled "lie down" and "walk on" and to move the sheep around the training field in a controlled manner. A great culmination to a lot of hard work!

Shane and Eion Flint

## THOUSANDS SWARM TO THE WESTERN BERGER DAY

Our gathering at the beginning of August has become very much a gathering of friends, even those who haven't joined us before quickly feel at home and join in the fun. This year was no exception. However, the only person who hadn't joined us before was my youngest son Pete. Roy and Roz Norman with Fleur and Cato came for the weekend and Wendy Smith stayed Saturday night with Twiggy prior to going to Paignton Ch Show on the Monday. We teased Wendy telling her we were going to put notices on all smelly rolling places but Wendy was determined that Twiggy wasn't going to repeat last year's antics.

Sunday dawned a beautiful day and we were delighted to be joined by Peter and Phyllis Titterton with Monty and then Jean and Rhodri Powell with Indy. The thousands were not quite so welcome . . . they took the form of a swarm of bees who left the hive in our milking parlour and settled on the trackside hedge beside the garden where they happily stayed for the day. We decided to start our walk avoiding the swarm which meant that Twiggy was able to make a deviation to a delectable mass of - you guessed - wet alpaca poo. Colin saw the move and shouted at the first dropped shoulder so disaster was averted and all continued well with dogs and humans all enjoying themselves. It was super to see 21 Pyreneans running and playing together until Twiggy decided to investigate the clinging properties of sheep poo just before we reached the river. Wendy decided to give Twiggy a bath in the river which was fine until the sheep decided to investigate the noise and tried to join in the fun. Several of the resident dogs decided to 'encourage' them to move away which led to Pete jumping over the gate and trying to retrieve dogs and 'encourage' the sheep to stop watching Wendy's antics in the river.

After a super lunch, the Powells had to return to Caerphilly, a move which was met with disappointment by those who planned to stay for the

rest of the afternoon and evening because Rhodri is a very experienced beekeeper and my expertise was rightly not viewed as confidently. After Wendy left us, I decided to retrieve my bees. Colin was press ganged into helping, Pete took photographs (from a distance) and I advised that all would be well but those who were concerned should shelter in the conservatory. Having retrieved the bees and left them peacefully in their new home in the orchard, I returned to give everyone the good news. However, all was not well in the house, I laughed at first to see someone in the conservatory in great distress. They were obviously intent on discouraging bees from getting near them by removing their shirt and flapping vigorously at them, I started to laugh thinking it was Pete (not a kind Mother) then I saw Roz apparently having hysterics in the garden. I realised then that it was Roy in a flap and Roz laughing hysterically (not a kind Wife). Roy escaped unstung but assured me that he had 6 bees inside his shirt before he removed it.

The day ended calmly with all those present finishing the remains of lunch, no-one got stung and luckily, more importantly, none of the dogs got stung. If you are thinking of joining us next year, we would love to have you and your dog or dogs join us. I will try to make sure that we do not have such diversions but it did add to the fun and I understand Roz bursts into hysterical laughter every time she thinks about Roy's 'bee dance'.

Meriel Weston



## THE NATIONALE D'ELEVAGE 2010

The Nationale d'Elevage was held on the weekend of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September in the Parc de Casino in the picturesque town of Argelès-Gazost. The park looked a little different this year, as many trees were blown down in a storm earlier in the year. The RACP (Réunion des Amateurs de Chiens Pyrénéens) has generously donated some money to help with the replanting of trees.

There was the largest ever entry of Pyrenean Sheepdogs from the UK at the Nationale this year.

The show, which is for all four Pyrenean Breeds, takes place over two days. Saturday morning is when the various tests take place. Fortunately the rain of the previous day had stopped and although overcast, the rain stayed away. The Test de Comportement tests whether the dogs react to certain situations in a way that is characteristic of the breed. The CSAU test is more like an Obedience test. The CANT tests whether the dog has any aptitude for herding although the first part of the test included elements of the Test de Comportement and the CSAU. The dog has to pass the first part of the test before being allowed to meet the sheep. Some of the dogs from the UK took part in the tests. Also on Saturday morning, Agnès Audibert was giving ring craft classes. Agnès is very successful in the show ring in France. Saturday morning was also very special for club member Christel van den Bosch who



picked up her new puppy-Faïsse de l'Oustaou de Padel.

The AGM of the RACP takes place in the afternoon. When the AGM has finished, the President of the RACP leads many owners and their dogs on a procession through the town. This culminates in a reception in a square in the town where speeches were made by the Mayor of Argelès-Gazost, Alain Pécoult and a representative from the Tourist Office. Following the speeches, there was a display of traditional folk dancing. This was followed by wine and nibbles.



On Sunday morning we were up early to get down to the park to set up the Anglo-Belgian camp. The main highlight of the weekend for me is meeting up with our Belgian friends. With large Belgian and British flags plus bunting with alternating flags of the two countries the camp looked very festive. The weather forecast promised a warm, sunny day and this proved to be the case. There was a lot of coming and going during the morning as people went to the various rings to show their dogs. Stan kept us refreshed with different drinks and most people had brought some food to contribute to the communal picnic. With 43 dogs in Open Male class and 52 in Open Female, the judging was somewhat protracted. The French standard has recently been changed with the height increased by 2cms. It was, therefore, interesting to note that more dogs than usual were being measured. The RACP has been concerned that the breed is becoming smaller and have therefore taken the necessary steps to try to avoid this. Some classes ran into the afternoon, but when they had all finished, attention turned to the Ring d'Honneur.

The first event to take place was the parade of dogs and owners from countries outside France. I

am always surprised at how far people travel to the Nationale. Countries represented this year were Finland, Sweden, Spain, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Great Britain, Norway, the Czech Republic, Austria, Luxemburg and Portugal. The parade is always a jolly affair with many countries waving their national flags as they go round the ring.

After the parade the judging of the Couples, Pairs and Groups takes place. This is followed by the winners of all the classes for each breed entering the ring when eventually a Best of Breed is chosen. Of course the culmination of the event is when Best in Show is chosen. For the second year running, a Pyrenean Sheepdog gained this honour. The dog was Boutas de Loubajac owned by Monica Westerberg from Sweden. Congratulations to Monica and her daughter.



Once again we had a great weekend at the Nationale. I always enjoy meeting old friends and making new ones. It is also a delight to see the four Pyrenean Breeds in the wonderful setting of the Parc de Casino, which is surrounded by the beautiful Pyrenees. Once again there was a wonderful atmosphere around the rings. The show is getting bigger and better every year. The focus was not only on showing. An agility course was set up for those who wanted to have a go. There was a demonstration of herding ducks. There were many stalls selling regional produce and we were entertained with traditional singing and dancing. I will make no apology for repeating myself when I say that anyone who has a genuine interest in the Pyrenean Sheepdog should make the pilgrimage to the Nationale d'Elevage.

Look at the photos on the website and maybe they will tempt you to make the trip next year.

Liz Lewis

A full list of results is printed below but I feel the following dogs deserve a special mention:  
Sue Lewis's Pyrenean Mastiff Zallute Successfulness for winning Best of Breed  
Sandy Readman's Ellenora du Champ d'Onix avec Louslitges for doing so well in all three of the tests.

Pat Phillips' & Caroline Williams' Cortex du Pic d'Espade 7<sup>th</sup> in Open Dog



Liz Lewis' Rambauds Madame Mystique avec Riacaud for gaining her fifth consecutive excellent under five different judges.



**Members Results**  
**from**  
**the Nationale d'Elevage**

**Teste de Comportement**

20/20 Rozimba Cosmo owned by Toni Wescott-Smith

18/20 Ellenora du Champ d'Onix avec Louslitges owned by Sandy Readman

18/20 Rambauds Noisette owned by Joy Hitchcock

**CSAU**

Excellent Ellenora du Champ d'Onix avec Louslitges owned by Sandy Readman

Excellent Rambauds Noisette owned by Joy Hitchcock

**CANT**

Excellent Ellenora du Champ d'Onix avec Louslitges

**Pyrenean Mastiff**

Open Female Class

1<sup>st</sup> Excellent CACS Best of Breed Zalute Zucessfulness owned by Sue Lewis

**Pyrenean Sheepdog Face Rase**

**Baby Male Class**

Very Promising Chaparral's Veni Vidi Vici owned by Ann de Clerq

**Champion Female**

2<sup>nd</sup> Excellent Ch Saphir Bleu de Loubajac owned by Ann de Clerq

**Pyrenean Sheepdog Long Haired**

**Intermediate Male Class**

2<sup>nd</sup> Excellent Davalar de l'Oustaou de Padel owned by Dora Buelens-Moortgat

**Open Male Class**

Very Good Falco of Noble's Kingdom owned by Ann de Clerq

Very Good Merrywood Efren at Sandy Trail owned by Shane and Eion Flint

Excellent Cortex du Pic d'Espade owned by Pat Phillips and Caroline Williams

**Champion Male Class**

1<sup>st</sup> Excellent Ch Tintin de l'Oustaou de Padel owned by Veerle Vlerick

5<sup>th</sup> Excellent Nor/Swe Ch Hob-Nobs Soleil now owned by Cynthia Milnes

Excellent Ch Foli du Pic de Pioulou owned by Eddy van Pelt and Veerle Vlerick

**Female Puppy Class**

Promising Jazlyn du Pic de Pioulou owned by Eddy van Pelt and Veerle Vlerick

**Young Female Class**

Very Good Ellenora du Champ d'Onix avec Louslitges owned by Sandy Readman

**Intermediate Female Class**

Very Good Rozimba Celeste at Sandytrail owned by Shane and Eion Flint

**Female Open Class**

Very Good Rambauds Noisette owned by Joy Hitchcock

Very Good Grimaldi of Nobel's Kingdom owned by Ann de Clerq

Excellent Merrywood Dancing Queen at Keltara owned by Pat Phillips

Excellent Rambauds Madame Mystique avec Ria-caud owned by Liz Lewis

**Veteran Female Class**

Excellent Ribalette de l'Oustaou de Padel owned by Liz Lewis



## MY FIRST TIME AT THE RACP PYRENEAN SHOW, ARGELES-GAZOST



### JOY HITCHCOCK & QUINCEY

I first heard about how good the show was from Liz Lewis who is a regular attendee, and put it on my 'things to do' list. It seemed a bit far and anyone who knows Quincey will know showing is not her favourite thing. But Liz assured me that they like them feisty down there and she would fit in well.

Getting as far as I can in the agility, and my unsuccessful breeding attempts, I decided that this year seemed a good year for finally going. So with Liz helping me with my entries (I don't speak or understand a word of French, not through want of trying) we entered not just the showing but both working tests as well.

The last thing to do was convince my dad (who used to drive lorries on the continent) to help drive us down there. Didn't take much, I think the conversation went 'Dad do you fancy a trip to France, there is alcohol involved when we get there?' 'Ok, when do we go?!) and that was it. Although I have to say, it was touch and go whether we would make it, as eight weeks before we went my dad had to have a serious operation, but being the trooper that he is, he didn't let a little thing like lung cancer put him off!

Getting there took us two and a half days, but that was taking it easy and plenty of stops for dad and Quincey. Luckily she's an easy dog to travel with, no barking and toileting on command. Finally got to our destination, with a little detour through the centre of Lourdes. It's breathtakingly beautiful, with the hotel right up in the mountains.



The working tests started on the Saturday, I was looking forward to these more than the actual showing. I've nev-

er seen so many Pyreneans in one place, although Quincey decided she really was not going to be sociable and also didn't bark a word of French! Liz had to interpret for me with the examiner, and luckily Quincey managed to behave herself while doing the Test de Comportement.



We dropped marks for Quincey not being interested when I walked away from her and then not being too bothered when I returned. She was trained at an early age to be tied up at the side of an agility ring while I went to walk a course or thrust upon a stranger while I'm running another dog, so she's really not that bothered! So we scored 18 out of 20, which is still a good mark. Then we did the Sociability and utility test, where Quincey was put in a group of other dogs, she managed to keep a hold on herself and we walked away with an excellent, and asked if we did obedience!! I think not!.

The showing was a different matter completely. Even more Pyreneans, in all shades of fawn, merle and grey/black.

It was nice to see so many face rase Pyreneans was well. There were fifty two in the open bitch class. OMG, they split us into groups of ten to judge. I'd let Quincey sleep on my bed the night before so she was in a better mood for the showing.

Being a complete novice at showing I watched what the judge expected of everyone and how to present the dogs etc, although when moving the dogs, the owner is expected to run, well unfortunately if I try to run at the side of Quincey she just gets faster because that's whats expected in agility, so that was never going to happen.

We lost marks for movement (not surprisingly as I could only manage a fast walk), also because she's so small. Although the judge was polite and called her petite!!

The judges were very strict on height and did measure some of the dogs. We still came away with a tres bon. Very happy with that .

A side from the showing, my dad got put in charge of the bar, so he was sat happily under a tree guarding both the dogs and the alcohol while we were all looking around etc.

The show is amazing and there is a great social side to it as well. I did manage to pick up a little bit of French and by the end was speaking a little bit. I'd like to say a big thank you to Liz for interpreting the hotel menu every night. I'd love to go down again, and I know my dad is very keen to go! Not sure whether Quincey would be up for it or not!



## Swedish and Norwegian Champion Hob-Nob's Soleil of Jentilima (Pussel)

In September Richard and I drove to Paris to meet Monica and Ulrika and collect Pussel. They were returning to Paris to fly back home to Sweden after successfully showing the "Hob-Nob's" team at Argeles.



After hearing various "horror" stories over the years about things that had gone wrong for people bringing dogs into the UK. Missing microchips, incorrect paperwork etc. I was filled with some trepidation about the trip, and not being a seasoned traveller to foreign shores did not help!

We left home on the Monday and travelled to Wye. We stayed the night at a lovely old world hotel, a novelty in itself as we usually holiday in self catering cottages as we always have the dogs with us.

Early on the Tuesday morning we drove to the Channel Tunnel, our first experience of travelling through the tunnel, and arrived in France without any problems.

It was beautiful weather, really hot and sunny and we arrived at the hotel on the outskirts of Paris in good time.

Monica and Ulrika arrived in the evening, it was lovely to see them again. We were introduced to Pussel who greeted us enthusiastically, and we took him back to our room, and later for a good long walk.

We drove home the following day. We came through customs almost problem free. (We didn't see the sign directing us to a building to have Pussel checked, and wondered

why the automatic barrier would not welcome us through as it had on our outward journey!)

Arriving home at 6.30pm we introduced the Beardies and Jenny to Pussel and they were all settled and happy together within the hour.

Pussel is a most loving little dog, a fun character with a fantastic temperament. His best friend is Maisie (Beardie) they play, then curl up together in the evening for a snooze.

Cynthia Milnes

## A RARE BREED !!

Shirley Kent writes from the USA :-

Speaking of rare breeds, the funniest thing happened to Bip. All 3 of our dogs had run out of Heartworm meds, so we made an appointment with our Vet because he draws their blood to make sure they are Heartworm negative before he writes the new prescription. The day we took them was impossible because the Vet had one emergency after the other. Our dogs don't like the waiting room, so we went back to wait in the car and took them on several short walks. Finally it was Bip's turn! Bip and Steve went to the examining room and I went to the desk to pay so we could finally go home. The Vet was there talking to a man with a beautiful Rhodesian Ridgeback and happened to see Bip walk by. He stopped talking to the RR man about his dog and said "That's a very rare breed walking in and he's my patient". The man said "He's a very unusual looking dog, but what is he?" By this time, I'm sure the Vet was exhausted from all his emergencies, but he did say "He's a Pyrenean.....(face went blank).....Bip. Yes, he's a Pyrenean Bip". The Vet then went with Bip and the man turned to leave with his dog and said to the dog "I think we have seen an extremely rare breed. I know about the Great Pyrenees or Pyrenean Mountain Dog, but never heard of a Pyrenean Bip. I'll have to find out about that breed". As soon as the door closed behind him, the office staff and I had a good laugh!!

## DISCOVER DOGS 2010

November again and it's Discover Dogs at Earl's Court. How time flies!

The car was packed with everything we needed for the stand and Chris and I and Ria and Meg headed down the M1 at a very early hour! We arrived at Earl's Court at 9am, which gave us an hour to set the stand up before the doors opened to the public at 10am. Like last year we felt that the stand wasn't in the best position as it was on the outside of the row facing the dog exercise area (which was, however, very convenient!).

We were soon joined by Peter Titterton. He hadn't brought Monty with him as Peter feels that Monty would not appreciate travelling on the tube.

We had a steady stream of visitors to the stand throughout the morning and compared with last year, I felt that there was more genuine interest in the breed with two or three people saying that they definitely wanted a Pyrenean Sheepdog.

Just before midday we were joined by Kim Randall and Fern and Jonathan Pattison and Meg.

Jonathan, Fern and Meg were making their debuts on the stand. Jonathan and Meg seemed to take everything in their stride but Fern was definitely unimpressed! As Fern and Meg are both young dogs they were only doing half a day on the stand. It was interesting in that we had two grey Megs on the stand.

We continued to be busy for the rest of the day. The dogs all did their bit to look very appealing as people passed by and therefore attracted interest.

On Sunday, Diane Newton and Sheila Janson with Tyler, John and Julie Farrar with Shonie and Chloe and Lin Bergen with Matt were representing the breed. It was the first time on the stand for Lin and Matt and I have heard that they both enjoyed their day. Sunday was also busy on the stand.

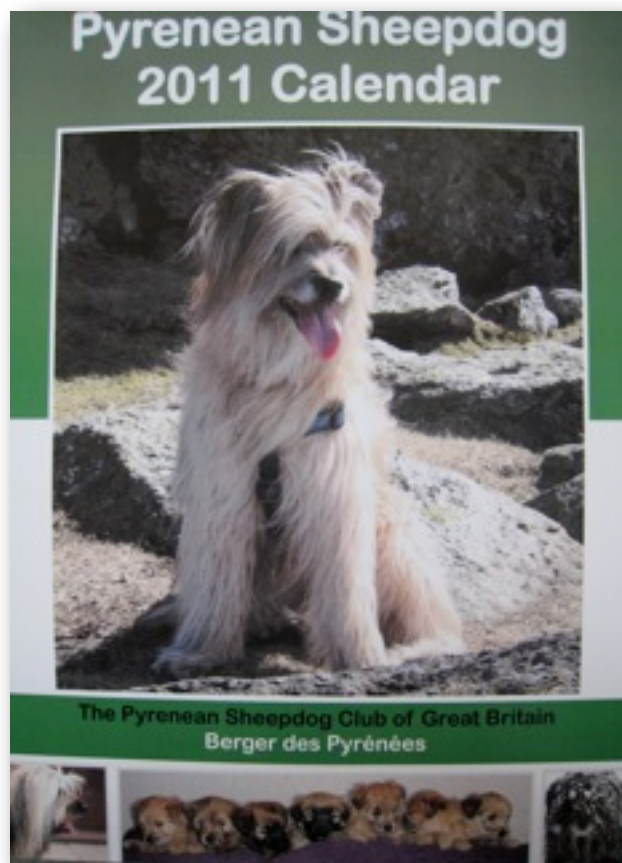
It is good to see some new dogs and their owners helping out on the stand, as some of the regulars are getting older now.

I would like to thank everyone who gave up their time to help on the stand. The help is in-

valuable as it is so important to promote this lovely breed.

Liz Lewis

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KENNEL CLUB  
INTERNATIONAL AGILITY FESTIVAL  
KELMARSH HALL  
13-15TH AUGUST



Rambauds Ortie (UDEX) Tiggie  
We had a great weekend in spite of the weather at the International Agility Festival. The Pyreneans gave a good account of themselves.



Our Irish medium team **WON** the Nations Cup team event!! 2 Pyreneans on the team, Tiggie (Rambauds Ortie) and her sister Daena (Rambauds Ouste)! We beat a strong English team which consisted of World Champion Natasha Wise and 2 Agility Champions. We went into the team agility in the lead, having won the team jumping, the only team to go clear. We came second in the agility so ended up overall winners.

Tiggie also managed to get into the Final of the British Open which was quite an achievement.

Sally Rees and Debbie Deuchar managed to get into the Novice Cup Final. The Pyrenean from Belgium was back again and also did well.

So, even though the PSD'S were not numerically strong, we certainly made an impact!!

Ann Cullen

Other KC International Agility Festival Results  
Sally Rees and Tag (Rambauds Urepel)

Med Novice Cup Jumping 3-5 3rd  
Med Grade 3 Jumping 2nd  
Med Grade 3 Agility 2nd  
Med Grade 3 Jumping 2nd  
Nations Cup Jumping Jersey 3rd

Donjuan of Nobels Kingdom from Belgium came 4th in the Medium British Open Final.

This is how the results page on the IAF website is introduced, which is exceptional publicity for the breed.

"From Pyrenean Sheepdogs to Papillons and Border Terriers to Border Collies; all scooped prizes at the [Kennel Club's sixth International Agility Festival](#) that took place at Kelmarsh Hall, Northamptonshire on 13-15 August."



## DOG THREAT TO COWS

Any one walking in the Yorkshire Dales is being asked to clean up after their dogs to prevent the spread of a virulent parasite.

Neospora is found in dog waste and any cow which ingests the eggs while grazing can end up aborting its calves. Worth cleaning up where ever cows are grazing I think.

Di Newton

# CANI CROSS

## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

### 2010

Baraque de Fraiture in Belgium was the venue for the 13<sup>th</sup> European championships held at the beginning of October. To be part of the UK team racing in Belgium was fantastic and the excitement had been building since the UK training camp in July when we were issued with our team kit, which had the UK flag and sponsors emblazoned all over it.

Sheila, myself and 2 dogs, Tyler and Peggy set off in the motorhome on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October to cross over to France through the tunnel. We had a trouble free crossing to Calais where we were staying for the night next to the beach which the dogs really appreciated after their long journey.

In the morning after another walk on the beach and a visit to the bread shop we set off to a campsite which was about 40 minutes from the venue. We had a day to meet up with other team members and to go on a training run before leaving on Wednesday for Baraque de Fraiture. The championships were being held close to the Luxemburg border at a ski resort set on the edge of a massive forest.

The team staked its place on one of the car parks that were being used for camping. Once the dogs were exercised I wanted to explore and find the start and finish areas. The finish was close by at the top of the ski resort but the start came as a shock as it was at the bottom of the ski hill!

The next day, Thursday, the course had been marked out and we were allowed to walk it with dogs. A group of us set off, commenting on every twist and turn and moaning about the constant uphill we were doing, the dogs of course couldn't care less as they were all off lead and checking to see if a Belgium forest smelt different from the ones back home. We turned a corner and came to a logging vehicle

lifting felled trees as if they were matchsticks. There were no warning signs, we were treated as adults and left to make our own minds up as to whether it was safe to go by! We waited 10 minutes while the driver loaded up and left. Forestry Commission take note.



So to Friday, all the dogs that were racing had to be vet checked, microchips read and one half of a cross was sprayed on to the dogs side. This was to prevent anyone substituting a ringer. Tyler's colour was pink but we told him it was purple as I didn't want him upset at this stage. Friday night was the opening ceremony, nothing fancy just the teams following the flag bearer and all the flags being paraded on stage. There were 389 competitors from 14 nations racing, pretty impressive.



And so to Saturday the first day of racing. So far the weather had been perfect, warm and dry, we all hoped it would last. My category's start time was 11 o'clock and the walk down the hill to the start was enough for a warm up. Once there the dogs had their microchips read again and the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the cross sprayed on, then we were ready to race. It was a mass start a bit like the charge of the light brigade only in miniature! Once we settled into a rhythm I began to enjoy it. Tyler was going well and didn't need any encouragement. We



came out of the forest half way up the ski slope and if I remember rightly I almost crawled up to the finish line. our times would be carried forward to the 2<sup>nd</sup> days race.

Sunday morning, the weather was holding, and off we went once more to the start area same procedure and off we went. Could we have 2 good runs. The course was slightly longer and this prevented Tyler from getting bored. Again we came out of the forest but this time we had to zig zag up the mountain. We



had passed one runner whose dog had given up and we had another one in our sights but in spite of Tyler pulling towards the cheering I just couldn't go any faster and we couldn't pick up another place. So how did we do? Well out

of our category of 15 competitors we came 12<sup>th</sup>. Yet we had such a good 2 days of racing in a beautiful forest with lovely weather coming any where but last was the icing on the cake. The Belgians made everyone welcome and hosted an excellent event. As a team we didn't disgrace ourselves picking up a silver and 2 bronze medals overall and we were the loudest cheerers! Everyone was sorry when we had to pack up and make the journey home. Next race - Grizedale Forest and I bet the weather won't be as good!

## WHAT IS GOING ON?

I support the RSPCA at local level because the people on the ground do their very best. Which is more than can be said for the rest. The RSPCA have produced a document stating their reasons for bringing in a dog tax, or as they call it a licence.

Normally to obtain a licence you would have to prove you are competent and meet a certain criteria, driving and a firearms licence come to mind. A dog licence surely is just a way of obtaining money. All responsible owners will tut then hand over their hard earned cash.

The RSPCA want to know where every dog will be because in the event of a dog passing on a dangerous virus all dogs can be eliminated as the RSPCA advises. Get real, taxing responsible owners solves nothing, more people are killed or injured by horses than by dogs and in November in 2 separate incidents 2 people were killed by bulls. Perhaps we need a bull tax! Do what you are supposed to do RSPCA and fight cruelty and stop trying to suck up to the Government.

We can all help by writing to local MPs opposing a dog tax, sorry, licence because if we don't start to be pro active one day we will loose the right to own a dog, and that is fact not fiction.

Di Newton

# ADVANCE NOTICE

## Jersey European Agility Festival



**Come to the beautiful island of Jersey for an Agility show and a holiday.**

The 2011 festival includes judges from Jersey, UK, Spain and France. The finals will be held on the Monday with a Nations team event and individual events.

The festival is being held at Beuvelande Campsite with camping directly at the show and all facilities are available including evening meals.

A pet passport is only required if you are joining us from Europe.

There will also be an Obedience show at the festival.

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> April - Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2011**  
**St Martin, Jersey, Channel Islands**



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*Hi Everyone.*

*As you have seen in the newsletter each year, my son André and myself have run the Jersey Agility Festival. Last year we had a rest and Scallywags Agility Club ran it, so next year having run it for 15 years we thought we would update the show. This coming year we have a Jersey judge, a UK judge, a French judge and a Spanish judge. We are also having themed days, Saturday will be French day with complimentary wine at prize giving with French food being served in the evening at the restaurant on site. Sunday will be Spanish day with sangria at prize giving and Spanish food served in the restaurant and Monday will be British day with Pims at prize giving and English food in the restaurant. We will also be having a nations competition with teams of three in small/medium heights combined jumping 350m and large jumping 650m. Anyone can enter on the entry form and make up teams on the Sunday and the winning team from each country will compete in the final on Monday, when the usual individual finals are also held.*

*It is always so nice to see more Pyrenean Sheepdogs here, I have three, Liz Lewis is usually here with her two and Joy Hitchcock has also been in the past, I do hope she will come again. So please anyone interested, the more Pyreneans the better! We would love to see you.*

*For further information go to: <http://www.jerseyagility.co.uk/>*

*Regards Sally Rees.*

## **A HEAVENLY DOG SHOW**

One day in Heaven, Peter, John and Paul were sitting around watching the dogs playing around the kennels.

"I'm fed – up" said John.

"So am I " said Paul.

"I know" said Peter, let's have a dog show".

John and Paul thought that a thoroughly good idea, "but who would we compete against?".

Peter then suggested "I know, let's give Satan a call and invite him to enter his dogs, after all we're bound to win, we've got all the good dogs up here, the BIS's, Group Winners, BOB's, Field Trial Champions, Obedience Champions, etc etc. The dogs down there with him are mean and difficult dogs, so we can't lose!"

The call was put through to below and the invitation was made for Satan to enter the show.

Satan laughed "Why do you want to go through with all that humiliation, when we would certainly beat you".

Peter, John and Paul couldn't understand this, "What do mean, Satan?" they asked, "we have all the top winners in the world in every field in our kennels, so how can you beat us????!!!"

Satan laughed "Have you forgotten so soon....."

I HAVE ALL THE JUDGES!!!!

## **Spending Cuts Survival Guide**

*Ditch gym membership and get a dog. The benefits far outweigh the costs.*

**First**, your dog will give you plenty of exercise and stop you getting depressed by demanding a vigorous walk in all weathers.

**Second**, a dog will bark furiously at anything, real or imagined, near the house, so no need for an expensive burglar alarm while making up for cuts in policing.

**Third**, a dog always loves you, regardless of financial circumstances.

**Fourth**, a dog acts as a pre-rinse for your dishwasher.

**Fifth**, with care, dogs may be an excellent source of compost for the garden.

# SHOW RESULTS

## Bakewell Show

4th-5th August

### AVNSC PASTORAL

#### Judge(s)

STEVE ATKINSON

#### Open - Dog or Bitch

Entries: 7 Absentees: 4

#### 1st

MERRYWOOD RISING STAR AVEC CHIKARAMOR  
AW  
(MRS S A MORLEY & MRS A ROGERSON)



## Welsh Kennel Club 2010

20th-22nd August

### AV Not Separately Classified (Pastoral)

#### Judge: Mr M Quinney

BEST OF BREED : Merrywood Dancing  
Queen At Kelltara Mrs P PHILLIPS

Best Dog : C Cortex Du Pic D'espade (imp)  
Mrs P PHILLIPS, & Mrs C WILLIAMS

Best Bitch : Merrywood Dancing Queen At  
Kelltara Mrs P PHILLIPS

Res Best Bitch : Ivydale Suzette For Sea-  
court Mr S PHILLIPS

Best Puppy : Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS

#### Class 948 JD/B (1 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS

#### Class 949 OD (2 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Cortex Du Pic D'espade (imp),  
Mrs P PHILLIPS & Mrs C WILLIAMS

#### Class 950 OB (3 Entries) Abs: 2

1st: Merrywood Dancing Queen At Kelltara  
Mrs P PHILLIPS



## City of Birmingham 2010

3rd-5th September

### AV Pastoral Not Separately Classified

#### Judge: Mr Terry Nethercott

Best Bitch : Merrywood Dancing Queen At  
Kelltara Mrs P PHILLIPS

Res Best Bitch : Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS

Best Puppy : Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS

#### Class 1174 PD (1 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Rozimba Bareges  
Miss S GIBBONS & Mrs T WESCOTT-SMITH

#### Class 1177 OD (4 Entries) Abs: 0

2nd: Cortex Du Pic D'espade (Imp)  
Mrs P PHILLIPS & Mrs C WILLIAMS  
Res: Merrywood Efren At Sandytrail  
Mrs S & Mr E FLINT

#### Class 1180 PB (2 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS  
2nd: Rozimba Piau Engaly Avec Sandytrail  
Mrs S & Mr E FLINT

#### Class 1182 PGB (1 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Rozimba Celeste Avec Sandytrail  
Mrs S & Mr E FLINT

**Class 1183 OB (2 Entries) Abs: 1**  
1st: Merrywood Dancing Queen At Kelltara  
Mrs P PHILLIPS



**Richmond 2010**

**10th-12th September**

## **Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)**

**Judge: Mrs Valerie Foss (Elswood)**

**BEST OF BREED :** Merrywood Dancing  
Queen At Kelltara Mrs P PHILLIPS  
**Best Dog :** Merrywood Essien  
Mrs M DEUCHAR & Miss D DEUCHAR  
**Best Bitch :** Merrywood Dancing Queen At  
Kelltara Mrs P PHILLIPS  
**Best Puppy :** Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS

**Class 775 JD/B (3 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Ivydale Suzette For Seacourt  
Mr S PHILLIPS  
2nd: Rozimba Bareges,  
Miss S GIBBONS & Mrs T WESCOTT-SMITH  
3rd: Ivydale Choirboy Mrs R ROBSON

**Class 776 PGD/B (3 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Merrywood Essien, Mrs M DEUCHAR &  
Miss D DEUCHAR  
2nd: C Cortex Du Pic D'espade (Imp)  
Mrs P PHILLIPS & Mrs C WILLIAMS  
3rd: Carabrae Pink Petunia With Thymewinds  
Mrs W A SMITH

**Class 777 OD/B (5 Entries) Abs: 2**

1st: Merrywood Dancing Queen At Kelltara  
Mrs P PHILLIPS  
2nd: Merrywood Rising Star Avec Chikaramor  
AW, Mrs S A MORLEY & Mrs A ROGERSON  
3rd: Ivydale Nightjar Mrs R ROBSON



**Darlington 2010**

**17th-19th September**

## **Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)**

**Judge: Mr Peter Bailey**

**BEST OF BREED :** Ivydale Choirboy  
ROBSON Mrs R  
**Best Dog :** Ivydale Choirboy Mrs R ROBSON  
**Res Best Dog :** Hob-nob's Baptiste At Carabrae  
Mr M L & Mrs F A CAFFERATA  
**Best Bitch :** Merrywood Rising Star Avec  
Chikaramor AW  
Mrs S A MORLEY & Mrs A ROGERSON  
**Res Best Bitch :** Merrywood Foxglove  
Mr M L & Mrs F A CAFFERATA  
**Best Puppy :** Ivydale Choirboy  
Mrs R ROBSON  
**Best Veteran :** Carabrae Annabella With Kim-  
rand , Mr F J RANDALL & Miss K RANDALL

**Class 1404 VD/B (2 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Carabrae Annabella With Kimrand  
Mr F J RANDALL & Miss K RANDALL  
2nd: Hob-nob's Baptiste At Carabrae  
Mr M L & Mrs F A CAFFERATA

**Class 1405 PD (2 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Ivydale Choirboy Mrs R ROBSON  
2nd: Rozimba Bareges  
Miss S GIBBONS & Mrs T WESCOTT-SMITH

**Class 1411 PGB (3 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Merrywood Foxglove  
Mr M L & Mrs F A CAFFERATA  
2nd: Carabrae Pink Petunia With Thymewinds  
Mrs W A SMITH  
3rd: Carabrae Katriona Of Ivydale  
Mrs C A WILLIAMS

**Class 1412 OB (4 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Merrywood Rising Star Avec Chikaramor AW  
Mrs S A MORLEY & Mrs A ROGERSON  
2nd: Ivydale Nightjar Mrs R ROBSON  
3rd: Kimrand Bonne Amie  
Mr F J RANDALL & Miss K RANDALL  
**Res:** Merrywood Gold Dust Of Jentilma  
Mrs C M MILNES

## Driffield 2010

30th Sept- 3rd Oct

### AV Not Separately Classified Working & Pastoral

**Judge: Mr Steve Hall**

BEST OF BREED : Swed Ch Hob-nob's Soleil  
Of Jentilima (Imp) Mrs C MILNES

Best Dog : Swed Ch Hob-nob's Soleil Of Jen-  
tilima (Imp) Mrs C MILNES

Best Bitch : Merrywood Rising Star Avec  
Chikaramor AW, Mrs S A MORLEY & Mrs A  
ROGERSON

**Class 487 PD (3 Entries) Abs: 1**

2nd: Ivydale Choirboy  
Mrs R ROBSON

**Class 490 PGD (1 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Ivydale Aamukaste  
Mr S STANLEY & Miss N STANLEY

**Class 492 OD (4 Entries) Abs: 1**

1st: Swed Ch Hob-nob's Soleil Of Jentilima  
(Imp) Mrs C MILNES

**Class 497 PGB (2 Entries) Abs: 0**

2nd: Rozimba Celeste Avec Sandytrail  
Mrs S & Mr E FLINT

**Class 499 OB (5 Entries) Abs: 1**

1st: Merrywood Rising Star Avec Chikaramor AW  
Mrs S A MORLEY, & Mrs A ROGERSON

**Class 500 GCB (4 Entries) Abs: 0**

1st: Merrywood Rising Star Avec Chikaramor AW  
Mrs S A MORLEY, & Mrs A ROGERSON  
2nd: Rozimba Celeste Avec Sandytrail  
Mrs S & Mr E FLINT

## South Wales Kennel Association

8th-10th October

### AVNSC PASTORAL

**Judge(s)**

DEREK SMITH

**RBD**

SWED CH HOB-NOB'S SOLEIL OF JENTILIMA  
(IMP SWE) (MRS C M MILNES)

**BB**

CASCADE DU CASTELMOULY AVEC RAM-  
BAUDS (IMP FRA) (MRS M P WESTON)

**Open - Dog**

Entries: 3 Absentees: 1

**2nd**

SWED CH HOB-NOB'S SOLEIL OF JENTILIMA  
(IMP SWE) (MRS C M MILNES)

**Open - Bitch**

Entries: 3 Absentees: 2

**1st**

CASCADE DU CASTELMOULY AVEC RAMBAUDS  
(IMP FRA) (MRS M P WESTON)

## Northwich and District CS

**Open Show  
17th October**

**Judge(s)**

SHANE FLINT

**BOB**

SWED CH HOB-NOB'S SOLEIL OF JENTILIMA  
(IMP SWE) (MRS C M MILNES)

**RBOB**

ROZIMBA BARGESES  
Miss S GIBBONS & Mrs T WESCOTT-SMITH



**Junior D/B (3 Entries ) Abs: 1**

1st: ROZIMBA BAREGES  
 MISS S GIBBONS & MRS T WESCOTT-SMITH  
 2nd: IVYDALE CHOIRBOY  
 MRS R ROBSON

**Post Grad D/B (7 Entries) Abs:3**

1st: MERRYWOOD GOLDDUST OF JENTILIMA  
 MRS C MILNES  
 2nd: ROZIMBA COSMO  
 MRS T WESCOTT-SMITH  
 3rd: MERRYWOOD FOXGLOVE  
 MR M L & MRS F A CAFFERATA

**Open D/B (7 Entries) Abs: 3**

1st: SWED.CH HOB-NOB'S SOLEIL OR JENTILIMA  
 MRS C MILNES  
 2nd: HOB-NOB'S BAPTISTE AT CARABRAE  
 MR M L & MRS F A CAFFERATA  
 3rd: IVYDALE NIGHTJAR  
 MRS R ROBSON

**Midland Counties Canine Society****28th-31st October****AVNSC PASTORAL****Judge(s)**

JEFF LUSCOTT

**Open - Dog**

Entries: 13 Absentees: 1

**VHC**

SWED CH HOB-NOB'S SOLEIL OF JENTILIMA  
 (IMP SWE) (MRS C M MILNES)

**FURTHER AGILITY RESULTS**

Dogs in Need Agility Show 16-22.8.10  
 Sally Rees and Tag (Rambauds Urepel)  
 Med Jumping Grade 3 2nd  
 Med Agility Grade 3 6th

Sally Rees and Coco (Rambauds Chamare)  
 Med Jumping Grade 6 5th  
 Med Jumping Grade 6 6th

Liz Lewis and Ria (Ribalette de l'Oustaou de Padel)  
 21.8.10 Agility Nuts  
 3rd ABL Novice Plus Agility

28.8.10 EMDAC  
 10th Primary Jumping Qualifier

29.8.10 EMDAC  
 8th Novice Agility Final

30.8.10 EMDAC  
 8th Primary Jumping Final

24.10.10 EMDAC W1  
 5th Novice Plus Triple A Agility

7.11.10 Tailwaggers W1  
 3rd Novice Plus Agility 2

14.11.10 Agility Nuts  
 5th ABL Novice Plus Time Fault & Out Agility  
 8th ABL Novice Plus Jumping

Ria ( Ribalette de l'Oustaou de Padel) is BAA  
 Novice Mini Dog of the Year  
 She is pictured with her trophies.



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# The Pyrenean Sheepdog Club of Great Britain

Berger des Pyrénées

## THE PYRENEAN SHEEPDOG CLUB OF GB POINTS SYSTEM (OBEDIENCE)

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Dog's name:</b>	

To enter or compete in any class or type of show, one point is awarded.

Exemption/Limit/Companion Dog Show/Inter Club Matches  
1st 5 points 2nd 4 points 3rd 3 points 4th 2 points 5th 1 point

Open and Championship Obedience Shows  
Pre-Beginner, Beginner and Novice classes  
1st 9 points 2nd 8 points 3rd 7 points 4th 6 points 5th 5 points 6th 4 points etc  
Class A and above, or working any Obedience class at Crufts, add one point to the above placings.

Start date 1st January 20..... Finish date 31st December 20.....

The responsibility for sending the results in remains with each competitor and should be sent to Liz Lewis by 20th January. Her e mail address is [riacaud@mac.com](mailto:riacaud@mac.com) The winner will be presented with a Trophy at the AGM. 2nd and 3rd dogs will be presented with rosettes.

Date	Venue	Show Type	Class	Points	Total

Continued overleaf





# The Pyrenean Sheepdog Club of Great Britain

Berger des Pyrénées

## THE PYRENEAN SHEEPDOG CLUB OF GB POINTS SYSTEM (AGILITY)

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Dog's name:</b>	

This scheme is based on the Agility Warrant Scheme for awarded places, so for example if the show was placing to 5th and the dog came 7th it will only be possible to claim points for a clear round. In a class where all heights are competing but places are given for individual heights then points will be claimed for the highest place only. For example if a dog is placed 9th overall but is placed first in it's height category then points will be claimed for the first place only. This makes it easier for the competitor to keep track of what is happening. Pairs and teams are not included. Fun classes should be worked as to whether they are agility or jumping based eg. Power and Speed=agility and Helter Skelter= jumping.

**Jumping Points:-** 1st 10, 2nd 9, 3rd 8, 4th 7, 5th 6, 6th 5, 7th 4, 8th 3, 9th 2, 10th 1  
Clear round 1 point

**Agility Points:-** 1st 20, 2nd 19, 3rd 18, 4th 17, 5th 16, 6th 15, 7th 14, 8th 13, 9th 12, 10th 11 etc  
Clear round 2 points

Start date 1st January 20..... end date 31st December 20.....

Responsibility for sending the results is that of each competitor. They should be sent to Liz Lewis (email [riacaud@mac.com](mailto:riacaud@mac.com)) by 20th January. The winner will be presented with a trophy at the AGM 2nd and 3rd dogs will be presented with rosettes

Date	Venue	Agility Places	Agility Points	Jumping Places	Jumping Points	Total

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