

Championship Show Schedule 2019

Show Dates - PSD Classes

Show	Location	Judge	Date
Darlington	Ripon	TBC	14 September
Driffield	Wetherby	TBC	19 September
SWKA	Builth Wells	TBC	12 October
WPBAS	Edinburgh	TBC	2 November

Pyrenean Sheepdog Club of GB 2020 Calendar is now available



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A day with the Sheepdogs

We recently held a sheepherding training day with David Pickford for Pyrenean Sheepdogs. I was first introduced to sheepherding by Eion and Shane Flint last year when my young dog, Neon, at Jackie Goulders. We both got the sheep herding bug and so I decided to organise a training day for with a view to organising an event for club members in 2020.

The training day went very well. Most of the dogs there had seen sheep before, although some had more experience than others. We worked the dogs in a round pen with a small group of Hebridean sheep. With some dogs



David worked on developing initial glimpses of interest and instinct to engage with the sheep. With other more experienced dogs he worked on getting the dogs to move around the sheep in both directions, balancing the sheep to the handler and of course asking for a stop - always a challenge with a young dog who is very keen to work sheep! It was fascinating to watch how



each dog approached things differently. Just going to show how even though they were all the same breed, they all had their own personalities and different attitudes to the task.

BITS n BOBS from the Secretary

ELEVAGE

The NATIONAL D'ELEVAGE de la R.A.C.P is taking place this year on 14th & 15th September 2019 in Argeles-Gazost for the four Pyrenean breeds. Pyrenean Sheepdog Poil Long, Pyrenean Sheepdog Face Rase, Pyrenean Mountain Dog & Pyrenean Mastiff. A few of our members are heading down there this year, so we wish them safe travel and good luck. Further information can be obtained from the RACP website. Please visit www.chiens-des-pyrenees.com

BEACH WALK

The Club are organising a Beach Walk which is to be held at Old Hunstanton Beach PE36 6JJ on 29th September 2019. If you want to blow away the cob webs (it is normally windy!!) please join us for a beach walk along the long sandy beaches and through the rock pools.

We will be meeting in the Car Park from 11am and starting off around 11.30 for a walk for about 1 hours to 1.30 mins and then back to the café for much needed refreshments for both humans and dogs. Dogs are welcome in the café.

DISCOVER DOGS

Discover Dogs is being held this year at the Excel Centre in London on the 12th & 13th October 2019. We will be representing the breed on both days. If any members wish to help man the stand please let us know. It's a great chance to showcase our breed.



Notterts Bra Vo Black Jack wins Agility Grade 3 Jumping

Travel News—France

For those who may be thinking of driving in France in the future

The Nationale Speed Limit for Ordinary Roads has changed from 90 kilometres an hour to 80 kilometres an hour -- Fines can now be sent through the post - and can arrive many months later.

Some roads are changing back to 90, but it is not clear at this time on what roads this is going to happen, and whether this is just in certain areas.

It may be worth thinking about a 'Crit Air Sticker' if you are to travel very close to, or in some major Cities in France. The French Governments website is easy to use and gives full information on what areas are affected by the regulations. The cost is only about 4euros.

www.certificat-air.gouv.fr/en/



Meeko (Notterts al fa Petit Mischif) - gains Graduate Flyball level for 3000 points

East of England Championship Show

Sandytrail Starstruck (Pixie)

Best Puppy in Breed



Sandytrail breeders team - 1st place in the Pastoral group at the National Working and Pastoral Breeds Championship Show



RAINBOW BRIDGE

TIGGIE

Rambauds Ortie CDEx, UDEx. 27/9/04 - 10/6/19

Tiggie was the cheekiest, naughtiest, funniest, prettiest, most special little person.



Always a challenge to train, but taught me SO much and gave me so many wonderful memories and so many happy times.

Sleep well little Tig

Anne Collen

FROM THE CHAIR

I can't believe that summer is nearly over for another year. I just do not know where the time has gone since our last Club magazine. Hopefully you have all been enjoying the great summer weather with your little Bergers, whether it was taking part in the various activities and competitions that I know many are involved in or just enjoying a holiday away with your little companions.

Here are just a few highlights from me to draw to your attention:

At our AGM in February we raised our concerns at the continuing fall in club membership which had fallen to c75 but I am pleased to report that after some stalwart effort from Di Newton (Treasurer) and some of your committee, numbers are back up to around the c.100 mark. Well done everyone

The club held a very successful new style Breed Appreciation Day at the end of April which received excellent feedback from all participants. Under the Kennel Club's new judges education programme (JCF) the Club has an enhanced requirement to provide education on the breed and to test the knowledge and competence of those aspiring to judge the breed. We had around 28 attendees at the event (including committee) which was very positive, this included 14 high profile judges looking to achieve their judging qualifications which really kept us on our toes.

We held our Annual Fun Day and Club Show at the end of June which I think everyone enjoyed. I counted about 27 people and 29 dogs which was a big improvement on last year. Returning to our favourite venue at Bearley probably had something to do with it but the great weather and a superb shared picnic also played their part.

Financial Report cont...

PYRENEAN SHEEPDOG CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Dr £	Cr £
Balance b/f	2,704.43	
Receipts	1,368.78	
Cash payment transferred		
Payments		2,109.43
Balance c/f		1,963.78
	<u>4,073.21</u>	<u>4,073.21</u>
	0.00	
Balance per bank statement as at 31/12/18		2,661.84
Add: unclearance payments		0.00
Less unpresented payments:		
100085 ✓	11/01/2019	276.08
100086 ✓	15/01/2019	35.00
100087 ✓		235.00
100088 ✓	07/01/2019	95.00
100089 ✓		56.98
		<u>-698.06</u>
		<u>1,963.78</u>



Pyrenean Sheepdog Club of GB

Members Fun Day

Sunday 30th June 2019

Bearley Village Hall, Snitterfield Road, Bearley CV37 0SR

Starting at 11 am



Judges Report

I would like to thank the committee for the invitation to judge

This lovely breed which has come a long way from when I first saw the Breed in the 90's.

The day was lovely the sun was shining all day which always makes the day go well and thank you to the exhibitors who entered under me and took my placing so well and sporting.

Puppy (0)

Junior (0)

Post graduate (2)

1st Lucas Sandytrail Stargazer

Young dog of good quality typical head of correct size good ear set and mouth .nice muscled neck and shoulder well extended ribs nice croup moved well.

2nd Farrar Norlyght Tiga Sembilan

6 year old male another one with a typical head slightly heavier than the first and

Financial Report

**PYRENEAN SHEEPDOG CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018**

	2018		2017	
	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at Bank	762.78		1,543.43	
Cash at Bank held for Rescue & Welfare	1,201.00		1,161.00	
Petty cash	0.00		57.04	
Total cash at bank	1,963.78		2,761.47	
Prepayments - First Aid £60/36 X 11.5	11.50		39.17	
Prepayments - Web hosting £209.56/36 x 13	75.67		145.52	
Prepayments - insurance £152.50/12 x 7	88.96			
	2,139.91		2,946.16	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
Audit & Accounts Preparation Fee	-40.00		-40.00	
TOTAL NET ASSETS		2,099.91		2,906.16
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>2,099.91</u>		<u>2,906.16</u>
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT		<u>2,172.24</u>		<u>2,906.16</u>

Think if both owner persevere with them they will have a lot of fun with both these girls in the future.

3rd Newman Sandytrail Chimene

Junior Bitch (1)

1st Morgan Sandytrail Suzette

Post graduate bitch (3)

1st Flint Sandytrail Magie Noir

Another lovely bitch of super size good mouth and head and ears. Good length of rib and hindquarters well muscled Good low set hocks

2nd Keable Double Trouble

6 year old fawn bitch nice head and good mouth .neck length ok. Would like more strength in hind quarter's nice low hocks. Moving ok.

3rd Keable Echo Beach

Such a sweet little girl smaller then my 2nd but she still had a nice head and mouth

Ears of nice shape and size slightly shorter in body moved ok

Limit Bitch (2) 1

1st Randall Kimrand Pixie Belle

5 year old bitch not coping to well with the heat and could do with losing a few pounds

Hard to assess her as she was struggling to move round the ring.

Could see she had a typical head and ears mouth ok shoulders ok body length good.

Open Bitch (2)

1st Robson Sandytrail Scheherazade Meslabrit

Well what I can say about this bitch such an eye catching dog.

Head correct ears of good shape and small lovely dark eyes and good length of neck which she showed of on the stand good shoulders and length of body short croup well muscled hindquarters with low set hocks this bitch comes alive on the move covers the ground so well and easy just seems to float round the ring a pleasure to award her best bitch and best in show

2nd Flint Bel/ Fin Ch. Sandytrail Ensorcele Bel junCh

Another super bitch so hard to separate these two bitches. Most of my above com-

Showing from a newbie's perspective

I got my first Pyrenean, Neon, with a view to doing agility with him. But after a chance conversation, I was persuaded to enter our first breed show. I thought we'd jump straight in at the deep end and enter a championship show to see if we could qualify for Crufts. Some of the procedures for entering the show was vaguely familiar from my having previously done agility - checking the show schedule and entering classes online. Other things like benching numbers and working out the running orders in the ring were completely new so I was very glad that Neon's breeder, Eion and Shane, were on hand to explain things and offer advice. I also did a few ringcraft classes beforehand and found out important tips like always keep your lead in your left hand and what a triangle means! We're also quite lucky with our breed as there isn't much show preparation involved- just making sure they're clean and have had a brush is all you need to do.

On the day I arrived early to try and find my way around the show and work out where our ring was. Breed shows are a lot bigger than agility shows with a lot more dogs so I ended up having to ask a ring steward for some help. I found everyone I met to be really helpful and friendly- especially when I explained it was our first ever show. I got ourselves set up on our bench and gave Neon one last brush before our class. As he was a puppy we were first in. The judge told us what he wanted us to do so that settled my nerves as all I had to do was follow his instructions. It turned out that I'm very lucky with Neon as he basically shows himself although I also found out we had a lot of refining to do (still more work needed!). To the untrained eye it just looks like people running around in a circle with their dog on a lead but I found out it is more complicated than that- things like making sure your dog is moving in the correct working gait for the breed and standing squarely are more difficult to achieve than you'd think. Neon won his class and qualified for Crufts and we then spent the rest of the day wandering around the trade stands doing a bit of shopping.



European Agility—Pyries Abroad

I have been a part of the Young Kennel Club Team GB for 3 years, competing in Slovakia and Luxembourg with Jet (Ginny de la Pattoniere) and now that I have turned 18 I competed for the final time this Summer in Switzerland with Finn (Tottakai vain olla Valopilkku) both Face Rase Pyrenean Sheepdogs.



All of the Junior European Open Championships I have been to have been different, but they were all amazing experiences, made sweeter by winning a few medals in the team events along the way.

The EOJ's are unlike any agility competition in the UK, the noise of the competitors ringside chanting, loud cheering combined with slow clapping to carry you round the course if it all goes wrong seems quite alien at first but it really does add to the spirit of the event.

The pressure of competing for your country is immense but also so enjoyable. The course designs are different and can be very challeng-

Judges Report Windsor Championship Dog Show – Friday
28th June 2019 - Pastoral Group

Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired) - Judge Mrs. Vicky Wilford

Post Graduate Dog

- 1 - Ms V Lucas's Sandytrail Stargazer -
Excellent head with well placed ears and ex. dark Almond shaped eyes
20 months old young male with excellent overall construction and developing a Cadenet Coat. Very Good rectangular frame, rear construction and ex. low hocks.

Open Dog

- 1 - Best Dog – Mrs. S. & Mr. E. Flint's Sandytrail Sorcerer
2years 7months -Excellent triangular head, ex. dark eyes and ex. reach of neck.
Excellent rectangular frame with cadenet coat.
A youthful spirit, but moved so well with good reach when settled.
- 2 - Reserve Best Dog - Mrs. S. & Mr. E. Flint's Bel & Fin Champion Gastibelza de L'Oustaou de Padel (Imp) Excellent head and ex. Dark eyes. Excellent rectangular frame, very good reach of ribs, and covered with a mature cadenet coat.

Junior Bitch

- 1 - Best Puppy - Ms V Lucas's Sandytrail Starstruck
11 ½ months young female, Excellent ear carriage, ex length of neck. Excellent rectangular frame with rise over the loins, excellent hind angulation. Lovely prospect for the future.

Open Bitch

- 1 - Best Bitch --- 'BEST OF BREED' Mrs. S. & Mr. E. Flint's