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From the Editor



As 2023 comes to a close I would like to look back on the year and look forward to 2024.

March saw us at Crufts where the snow didn't prevent us from manning both of the breed stands (there were a lot of clubs who didn't manage) and to see Hera and Katie scoop Best in Breed for a second time.

The club show in April, the club walk in June and man-trailing events successfully went ahead thanks to the hard work of the Committee and your support. We hosted another breed appreciation day in October where we got some great feedback from those who attended.

Looking forward to next year we kick off with a club walk on 13th January (walk off those mince pies) at East Hagbourne near Didcot, Oxfordshire and the **opportunity to help us create a health database for the Long-Haired and Smooth Faced Pyrenean Sheepdog (see page 18)**. Please support if you are able. Do have a lovely Christmas and I hope to see you there.

Regards, Carl

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From the Chair

As I write this, another year is drawing to an end and no doubt by the time you get this magazine, Xmas will be upon us. On behalf of all your Committee I would just like to extend warmest wishes for a very merry Xmas to you and your loved ones and of course all your little "Bergers".

Sadly I am also writing to let you know that myself and my wife Shane have decided to step down from the Committee at the next AGM. It has not been an easy decision and our passion and support for the breed will continue unabated but a number of health issues and major family challenges in 2024 mean that we just don't have the energy or time to continue with the level of support and leadership that we have been able to give to the Club over the years.

I will step down as Chairman with effect from the beginning of January and Carl Stretton will pick up the reins as acting Chair until longer term Committee decisions are taken at the next AGM on 24th February 2024. I will of course continue with my Treasurer responsibilities until the AGM.

Some final messages from me:

1. Annual Membership Subscriptions.

Just a reminder that membership renewals are due before the 31st January 2024. We have included a renewal form with this magazine. We are a small Club and your continued support of the Club is much appreciated and such a key part of our Club finances. Please do get your renewals in on time.

2. Club Calendars.

At the time of writing this the annual Calendar is with the printers and they will arrive before Xmas. We still have a few to sell so if you have missed ordering or have forgotten please get in touch with Rebecca Robson (email: bexerob@aol.com). It isn't too late.

3. The Future.

Finally, I would just like to thank Carl and the rest of the team and their commitment to take the Club forward. Hopefully some of our members will be able to commit to joining them on Committee going forward.

I have included a short article in the Magazine covering the RACP Centenary event in September. It also includes a message given from Norbert Gainche the President of the RACP. Please do read this, particularly the final couple of paragraphs of Norberts message.

We should never forget that our primary responsibility as a KC registered breed Club is to ensure that we preserve the unique heritage left to us by it's creators. Our wonderful breed took centuries to shape and in 100 years little has changed. The PSD Club of GB has a critical responsibility to ensure that the quality of the breed in the UK remains true to type and honours its unique heritage.

Very best wishes to all

Eion Flint
Chair

Bits and Bobs from the Secretary

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the **AGM** will take place at **12:00 on Saturday 24th February 2024**. Due to increasing fuel costs and still the risk of Covid, this year, we are once again going to hold a virtual AGM via Zoom to keep all members and committee as safe as possible. The AGM will follow the normal format with reports from the Chair and Treasurer. If you would like to attend please contact the Secretary for an invite to be sent out to you.

COMMITTEE ROLES

Vicky Wilford is our Breed Health coordinator and is required to be re-elected. Vicky is willing to continue with the role and will require a proposer and Seconder at the AGM.

Shane and Eion Flint are required to stand down as committee members but are eligible for re-election without nomination. They are both standing down at the AGM.

The Secretary and Treasurer are required to stand down annually but are eligible for re-election without nomination. Eion Flint has been acting Treasurer for the last year, thus creating a vacancy for the role. I will also be standing down creating a vacancy for the Secretary role. **Nominations for anyone wishing to stand as Treasurer, Secretary or a Committee member must be accompanied by a Proposer and a Seconder by 26th January 2024.** Applicants need to have been a member of the club for at least a year to be eligible for election to the committee or an office. Nominations will be accepted by email provided they are properly worded and signed electronically. Any items to be included on the Agenda should be properly worded and signed accompanied by a Proposer and Seconder and should be received by the Secretary by 26th January 2024.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

In accordance with the Constitution and Rules membership should be renewed by the 31st January 2024. If you have not renewed your membership by then,

you are deemed to no longer be a member of the Club. Please try to renew your membership by the end of January. A Membership renewal form will be included in this Magazine. Payment can be made by Direct Debit, Bank Transfer or by cheque. Annual Points Competition If you have been competing with your dogs this year, please send your points by 1st February 2024. A Trophy is awarded to the dogs with the most points in each discipline and Certificates of Achievement are awarded to those who come second or third. Please visit the downloads section on the club's website to download a copy of the club Points form: <https://www.pyreneansheepdogclub.com/downloads-docs>.

Best wishes and every success in 2024.

Rebecca Robson

Secretary

Breed Records Supplement

April - June 2023

Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)

Changes of Name

SANDYTRAIL SERAPHIN MÉSLABRIT (Late Sandytrail Seraphin AZ3) Mrs RE & Miss K Robson

Joint KC/BVA Hip Dysplasia Scheme

SANDYTRAIL SERAPHIN MÉSLABRIT AZ3 RH 3/ LH 6 Total 9 (21/06/23)
Joint KC/BVA Elbow Dysplasia Scheme SANDYTRAIL SERAPHIN MÉSLABRIT
AZ3 - 0 (21/06/23)

Quarterly Registration Statistics for the Pastoral Group

Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)

2022 - 1st Qtr 0, 2nd Qtr 0, 3rd Qtr 5, 4th Qtr 3 Total 8 2023 - 1st Qtr 2,
2nd Qtr 0

Pyrenean Sheepdog (Smooth Faced) 2022 - 1st Qtr 14, 2nd Qtr 7, 3rd Qtr
0, 4th Qtr 0 Total 21 2023 - 1st Qtr 0, 2nd Qtr 0

From the Vice-chair

As you can see in “From the Chair” Eion has decided to step down at next years AGM along with several other valued members of our Committee.

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank Eion, Shane and others for the huge amount of leadership, time and effort expended over the years for the benefit of our Breed, the Club and it’s members.

As vice-chair I’ve agreed to take on some of the responsibilities from Eion to take us to the AGM and the exciting events in store for 2024, although Eion, Shane and Rebecca have already done the planning for most things for our show on 13th April (please note the corrected date from that shown in the last magazine).

Our Committee are working to continue the smooth running of the Club into next year and beyond; if you would like to volunteer for a Committee role please step forward. Details of how to do so are in the Bits and Bobs from the Secretary article.

Crufts 2024

If you would like to be on the stand with your dog(s) at Crufts on the 7th to the 10th of March please let me know by dropping me a line at carl.stretton@btinternet.com letting me know which day you’d like to come. The KC do provide contributions towards expenses and entrance tickets.

Carl Stretton

Vice-chair

RACP Centenary Celebrations Argeles Gazost

September saw the RACP (the French Breed Club representing the 4 Pyrenean breeds) hold a special 3 day event at Argeles Gazost in the Haute Pyrenees to celebrate their Centenary year since formation of the Club in 1923. Three days of fabulous competition with over 400 dogs from all over the world congregating for this unique celebration.

The Friday saw a super all day Championnat de France Agility competition. The Saturday and Sunday were reserved for 2 days of Show competition with the "Mondiale" taking place on the Saturday, effectively a "world" Championship show for the Pyrenean breeds, celebrating the international entries taking part. The Sunday and finale to the weekend was reserved for the RACP'S Nationale D'Elevage, the top annual event organised by the RACP for the various breeds and even more prestigious in it's Centenary year.

Sadly, a mix of family pressures, health issues, new pups arriving as well as financial pressures meant that the normal participation from your Club Committee and Club members was absent for this special celebration. We did however send our heartiest congratulations and regrets to Norbert Gainche the President of the RACP. In addition we sent Norbert a lovely engraved trophy to be awarded to the Pyrenean Sheepdog winning Meillure de Race (Best of Breed) at either the "Mondiale" or Nationale d'Elevage. Norbert did write to tell us that it had been awarded and gratefully received by winner of the Nationale d'Elevage on the Sunday.



The Superb winner was RACP member Elodie Bignon and her Gorgeous female "Sorelh du Reve à Realité". Elodie had an absolutely outstanding set of results at the centenary weekend having also won Best Opposite Sex on the Sunday with her male Orthez du Reve à Realité. Both dogs also participated in the Mondiale on the Saturday where positions were reversed with Orthez taking "Best of Breed" and Sorelh taking Best Opposite Sex. A fantastic achievement.

I have attached a photo of the trophy that we sent as well as a photo of Elodie with Sorelh and Orthez If you look closely you will see our trophy just in front, next to the other awards.

I will leave the final words about this fabulous event to Norbert Gainche.

Eion Flint



Dear Friends

I'm particularly pleased with our two major events (world and national) for Pyrenean breeds, which took place last weekend to celebrate the centenary of our club, the RACP Pyrenean dog fanciers' meeting.

I'd like to thank Mme Le maire d'Argeles Gazost and her team, who put everything in place to ensure that our celebration took place in the best possible conditions.

I'd also like to thank the RACP committee, who worked tirelessly to ensure that these two days went off without a hitch, and all the volunteers who helped out in the secretariat, store, ring secretaries, photographers, pre-ring and main ring. Without all these people, we'd never have been able to organize an event of such magnitude.

I'd like to thank our judges, Mme Vaucouloux for the NHAT, M Perrin and M Powel for agility, M

Escar tabuena, M

Massimelo, M

Dupas, M

Thébault, M

Pécoult and M

Cavillac, for standard judging.

I'd also like to thank all the foreign clubs

who promoted our event, and

for their kind

words and

awards for our

dogs and members.

Finally, I'd like to thank our exhibitors, some of whom came from all over the world, making this an international event.

I'd like to thank all our visitors for spreading the word.

I'd also like to spare a thought for all the breeders who have contributed to this maintenance work over the past 100 years and more. Thank you for keeping up this respect for our traditions.

The RACP committee and its members are first and foremost concerned with preserving the heritage left to us by its creators. The standards have only been fine-tuned and dusted off, and it hasn't occurred to anyone, in 100 years, to modify the native breeds that the Pyrenees and our ancestors took centuries to shape.

Thank you and see you next year

Norbert Gainche

President of the RACP



Around the Show Ring

Well Xmas is upon us and another show year is coming to an end. The few of us that have attended the shows have had many laughs and fun and made lots of memories. Unfortunately, we have never had Breed classes at LKA which is the last championship show of the year in the middle of December. AVNSC (Variety) classes only are offered which is a shame as it is a very festive show and you can really get into the spirit of Christmas but there are a few of us that will still go and enter PSD in the variety classes or just to meet up with friends in different breeds.

Schedules are already coming out for the 2024 Championship shows including Crufts which will be here before we know it. Our Crufts judge for the Long Haired is Mr J.R Walsh (Jnr) from Ireland and for the Smooth Faced Mrs H. Fitzgibbon is judging A.V. Imported Breed

Register classes. Our Pastoral group judge is Mr B Croft. Crufts is always exciting and a show which is very special and elite, with so much going on with a great atmosphere. You can still qualify your dog if you want to show at Crufts by entering Manchester championship show which is the last qualifying show in January details on www.highampress.co.uk . All you need to get is a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in a breed class. Roll on 2024.

Finally, I thought I would just share the final placings in the annual "Our Dogs" Top Dog Competition for 2023. As reported in previous editions of the magazine our numbers in the Show Ring are in decline but whilst we may lack quantity this is more than offset by the quality of dogs that get out and compete. Our Long Haired Pyrenean Sheepdogs more than punch their weight in competition and regularly make the final shortlist or take one of the coveted top 4 places in the Pastoral Group. Listed below are our top performers in 2023 along with a few photos of our winners in the Top Dog Competition.

I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year maybe see some of you at Manchester Championship Show in January.

Shane Flint (Mrs)

Sandytrail Pyrenean Sheepdogs

Final placings for the Our Dogs Top Dog Competition 2023
Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)



**Joint Top Pyrenean
Sheepdog Puppy**

"Tiggi"
Sandytrail Sauterelle
(Eion & Shane Flint)

**Joint Top Pyrenean
Sheepdog Puppy**

"Odie"
Sandytrail Séraphin
Méslabrit

**(Rebecca & Katy
Robson)**



**Top Pyrenean Sheepdog
Stud Dog**

**“Merlin”
Entre Nous Cumin
des Prés**

**(Soile Tankka
Finland)**



**Top Pyrenean Sheepdog
Brood Bitch**

**“Blue”
Sandytrail Encorcélé**

(Eion & Shane Flint)



**Top Pyrenean
Sheepdog**

**“Marley”
Sandytrail Sorcerer**

(Eion & Shane Flint)



**Top Pyrenean Sheepdog
Top Breeder**

**“Sandytrail Kennel”
(Eion & Shane Flint)**

Championship Show Results (August - November)

August

Bournemouth Canine Association Ch. Show

Judge: Mrs S Bird

BOB/BD/ Group 4 - Flint's Sandytrail Sorceror BD - Robson's Sandytrail

Séraphin Méslabrit

BB - Robsons's Sandytrail Scheherazade Méslabrit

RBB - Flint's Sandytrail Magie Noire

Junior D/B - 1st Flint's Sandytrail Sauterelle

Driffield

Judge: Miss Marion Hodgson

AVNSC (Variety)

BB - Robson's Sandytrail Scheherazade Méslabrit

Junior Dog - 3rd Robson's Sandytrail Séraphin Méslabrit

City of Birmingham Championship Show

Judge: Mr K Baldwin

BOB/BD - Flint's Sandytrail Sorceror

RBD - Robson's Sandytrail Séraphin Méslabrit

BB - Robson's Sandytrail Scheherazade Méslabrit

RBB - Flint's Sandytrail Magie Noire

Best Junior - Flint's Sandytrail Sauterelle

September

Darlington Dog Show Society

Judge: Ms AY King

BOB/BD - Flint's Sandytrail Sorcerer

RBD - Robson's Sandytrail Séraphin Méslabrit

BB - Flint's Sandytrail Magie Noire

RBB - Robson's Sandytrail Scheherazade Méslabrit

Junior D/B - 1st Sandytrail Sauterelle

October

South Wales Kennel Association

Judge: Caroline Friend-Rees

BOB/BB/Short Listed - Robson's Sandytrail Scheherazade Méslabrit

RBB - Flint's Sandytrail Sauterelle

BD - Flint's Sandytrail Sorcerer

RBD - Robson's Sandytrail Séraphin Méslabrit

Midlands Counties Canine Society

Judge: Richard Bott

AVNSC (Variety)

BB - Robson's Sandytrail Scheherazade Meslabrit

Post Graduate Dog- 1st Robson's Sandytrail Séraphin Méslabrit

Open Dog - 2nd Lucas's Sandytrail Stargazer at Shiningtor

Post Graduate Bitch - 2nd Lucas's Sandytrail Sirène at Shiningtor

November

Health Corner

Good Day to you

I would like to inform you and bring you up to date with what has been happening recently on the Health Front for the Pyrenean Sheepdog.

The KC Genetics Centre Research Day at the University of Cambridge

As Breed Health Coordinator I was able to attend the KC Genetics Centre Research Day which was on the 21st September this year.

The subjects covered on the day were --

- Idiopathic Epilepsy (IE) Research
- Intervertebral Disc Disease (IVDD)
- Inherited Eye Disease which is the CRIEDD project.
- CRIEDD is the “**Consortium to Research Inherited Eye Disease in Dogs**”

This research day came at the perfect time, as unfortunately I have had a report from a member, that two dogs have been Eye Tested and diagnosed with Choroidal Hypoplasia.

As this year, I was actually allowed to take another person with me on the day, I had invited Teresa Stretton to accompany me, as I know she is very knowledgeable about Eye Disease.

Now before anyone gets worried or panics – Don’t!!

It is not known as a general problem in the Pyrenean Sheepdog.

I will give you more information on the condition, and, also tell you what we can all do to help.

The CRIEDD project

The presentation on the CRIEDD project was very informative and it provided valuable information as to how to proceed with Data Collection and to be able to be involved in research into Inherited Eye Diseases in your breed.

The CRIEDD research is the ideal platform for us to be able to contribute to, and benefit from.

They have a large database of Eye Test Results with DNA information from a variety of breeds.

Teresa and I are collecting, and will be sending information from our dogs, but the more PSD dogs - both long haired and smooth faced that are on the database, the better.

The cost of putting the dogs information onto the CRIEDD database is free, - but they ask please - to help with the costs involved, for each dogs Information & DNA swabs submitted, a donation of £5 would be appreciated. More of course would be very much welcomed and add to the funds for keeping the records, storing DNA samples, and updating the data they hold.

As it is an expensive business running a research event through the database, it is conducted at intervals as and when enough added information has been achieved, and more than one research project is needed to be conducted. This will test if the gene involved in the PSD CH affected dogs matches any known CH in other breeds.

If not, the possibility of further research can then be explored.

(The Kennel Club Genetics Centre does work with other Centres of Research in various countries)

Choroidal Hypoplasia is an eye disease which can come under the general term of the CEA (Collie Eye Anomaly) type of conditions.

In the Pyrenean Sheepdog although similar to CEA, it is not considered to be the same.

At this moment there is not a DNA test for CH that is suitable for Pyrenean Sheepdogs.

Choroidal Hypoplasia – is a Congenital Condition.

- *Dogs can be clear, affected or carriers*
- *The condition can be detected in young puppies at approx. 6 to 8 weeks of age*
- *The condition can then ‘go clear’ – that is, cannot be seen on eye examination*
- *How much a dog can be affected can vary*
- *Dogs can have CH and it not affect their ability to lead a completely normal life*

Choroidal Hypoplasia- is not known as a general problem in the Pyrenean Sheepdog.

However we have the tools to begin to find a way to help

A schedule of Litter Eye Screening would mean being able to avoid mating affected dogs. and with research, the possibility of carriers being identified through DNA tests in the future.

The BASE project in Poland

Collection of data for research into Eye Diseases in Berger des Pyrenees

In 2019, at the “ Berger Agility Summer Event ” - **BASE** for short – which is an Agility based event for all Pyrenean Sheepdogs. Eye Testing sessions were held and DNA swab sampling was undertaken, this was for research

into Eye Diseases in the Berger des Pyrenees of both varieties.

This project was undertaken by Polish Eye Vet Natalie Kucharczyk, and Professor Peter Bedford who is one of the UK's leading Veterinary Eye Specialists, in conjunction with the Swizz Glezen University and others.

A large number of dogs of both varieties took part, which altogether I believe reached around the 100 mark.

Teresa brought me up to date with the project. In some ways it had been on hold because of the Covid Pandemic, but it is still active and information from more Pyrenean Sheepdogs is needed and welcomed.

Teresa has been in touch with those involved and communicated with Professor Peter Bedford.

Professor Bedford has said he is willing to do a group testing session and examine UK Pyrenean Sheepdogs for the BASE project --- **at No Cost to the owners.**

Professor Bedford has agreed that he can do a testing session on

JANUARY 13th 2024

and Wendy Botto has offered her venue at **East Hagbourne OX11 9JZ** for the testing

For the BASE Project:-

- Professor Bedford will conduct an Eye Examination **for FREE**
- DNA Swab samples can be taken on the day. (swabs provided)
- The owner just needs to bring a 2 copies of the dogs pedigree with them on the day.

**** If the owner would like a BVA Eye Test Certificate, the projected cost for that would be around £53**

For the Kennel Club Genetics Centre CRIEDD project –Information

collection also on 13/01/24

You Will Need -

- A BVA Eye Test Certificate (*possible on 13th January if you don't have one*)
- Your dogs KC registration
- Set of DNA Swabs- (swabs provided)
- Dogs information, (there is the form included in the KCGC DNA Swab kit)
- As indicated before- the cost of putting the dogs information onto the CRIEDD database is free, but to help with the costs involved, a donation of £5 for each dog would be appreciated, more of course is welcomed.

**** Pyrenean Sheepdog DNA Database ****

When putting forward your dog's information & DNA swab samples for inclusion in the CRIEDD Eye Research Project, it will be banked for the CRIEDD project, it will also create a **Pyrenean Sheepdog DNA Database for the long haired & smooth faced.**

So you can also include the dogs Pedigree, and other health information and any relevant test results, e.g. Hip / Elbow Scores

It will be a valuable information source we are leaving for the future of the Breed.

Submissions for any of the data collection projects welcome from any age of dog, but older dogs – over 10 years – are a useful addition to the data information.

Even if you don't want to take part in the Eye Screening, you are welcome to take part in the PSD Database DNA & Health information collection.

If you are unable to attend the day, but would like to join in and submit your dogs information for any of the Projects- please contact either

myself or Teresa and we can organize a Swab Kit for you.

The day will be advertised and **pre-booking would be appreciated** as Professor Bedford will need a minimum number of dogs to attend to make it worth while.

Just to note:-

The Dam of the CH affected dogs had been litter screened clear and also tested clear as an adult.

The Sire was screened clear as an adult, but not litter screened before 8 weeks of age.

Both parents would have to be carriers, or one of them a 'carrier' & one 'affected' to produce affected individuals, hence litter screening would have been useful, but DNA testing would have been invaluable.

Vicky Wilford

Health Representative

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Teresa Stretton

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Research Day – an extra bit

----- Well David Attenborough does it – so hear goes !! ----

Teresa drove us to Cambridge in her lovely little KA

Our Instructions were to park our cars in the Cambridge 'Park & Ride'

The Sat Nav seemed to want to take us on a tour of the outer campus of the University before reaching the 'Park & Ride' but it was an interesting diversion to drive through the student accommodation- it was looking all very smart and tidy, and I bet there are plenty who would like their halls of residence to be so flash !

After parking the Car, it was a walk to the University grounds.

After a minor detour, the instructions suggested to take a right turn, but it was the next right turn - so it wasn't us that time ! - other people had a similar problem.

After a walk past the older original part of the University, we turned to enter a complex of new buildings. We were ushered to the right one and we found our way upstairs the Conference room.

It was a very interesting morning with lots to take in, and also sharing our experiences with others.

An amazing lunch of the best quality sandwiches, deserts and cakes were on offer – Yummy !!

As we were stood around and chatting during Lunch someone said what is your name and what breed do you represent?

I looked down, and I could then see that the sticker with my name on it was not on my waistcoat as I expected.

'Oh, it must have fallen off, where has it gone?' I answered, and as I was looking round to see if it had just dropped off on the floor, I heard a voice from behind me. .

'Are you looking for your name tag?'

Yes I said, -- 'Well it is behind you' came the answer.

Turning and looking at the floor, I'm thinking I can't see it, when someone kindly pointed out that it WAS behind me – it was stuck to my behind !!! The ladies said they had seen it earlier, but weren't quite sure how they were going to tell me !! There was a chap sitting there as well, he said he couldn't have possibly made any comment at all -- We all laughed !!

It must have come off and I had been sitting on it all morning- ha, ha !!!

Vicky Wilford

Club Walk

The first event of the year will be a woodland club walk on Saturday 13th January 2024 starting from East Hagbourne, OX11 9JZ (near Didcot in Oxfordshire) at 11am



The venue is Wendy Botto's agility training field, full directions will be provided.

Tea and coffee will be provided and there is also a free-of charge opportunity to contribute to the Pyrenean Sheepdog DNA database and also to have a free research eye test (see page 10)



Please contact carl.stretton@btinternet.com if you would like to come; further details will be provided.

Carl Stretton

Well done

Happy 1st Birthday Bobby



Luca And Anne won at his first Pre Entry nose-work trail.



Nevar gets 2 x 2nd place at her first grade 3



David and Skye have been selected to try out for Team GB in 2024 . We wish you both the Best of Luck.

Rudy gets best novice at
Wallingford WDTC.

Now to start working towards
Agility grade 6



Good luck to Alisa Atkins and ACE

Competing at the international horse
show at the Excel Arena London in the
Large ABC KC agility stakes Final on
December 14th

What a fabulous agility year you are
having.



**Send your Pictures to
Carl.stretton@btinternet.com for
inclusion in the next magazine .**

All Dogs Welcome

**Dana and Raven get through to the
Agility Champ finals at their first
Championship Agility Show**



Belgian & Int. Ch. Iffa Noire des Forges de Thor at Cavronscourt

I had the huge honour for my girl Iffa to be awarded the "BEST PASTORAL GROUP VETERAN"

at the ISLE OF ELY PREMIER OPEN SHOW in February 2023

It was a long wait till the end of all the other judging, but we then had a lovely run round the big ring for best veteran in show.

The judge was delightful, he showed a real interest in all the dogs taking part and asked us all to do an extra run round the ring to show our oldies off.

Congratulations Vicky Wilford and Iffa

Calendar 2024

There is still time to order a 2024 calendar for those last minute Christmas presents



To Pre-Order

Please Email
Rebecca
bexerob@aol.com

£12 including P&P

Delivery in time for
Christmas

Thank you In
Advance For your
Continued Support

A collection of
Beautiful Photos
Starring Our lovely
Pyrenean
Sheepdogs



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Happy Christmas





Can you help?

A call for budding Editors

Having edited the magazine for 6 years I am looking to stand aside.

If you would be interested in taking on this important role that spreads the Pyrie word amongst our member community please get in touch.

Full training and a proper handover will be given along with any support needed on future editions of our brilliant magazine.

Carl Stretton

The Committee of the PSD Club of GB

wish you

a



Merry Christmas

& a Happy New Year