

NEWSLETTER

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Special points of Interest:

- Crufts 2010
- Annual General Meeting
- Breed Standard Update
- Dates for the Diary

Breed classes are scheduled at:

Bournemouth
Sunday 15/08/2010
Judge: Mrs Z Thorn-Andrews
New Park, Brockenhurst
SO42 7QH

Birmingham City Championship Show
Stoneleigh
Sunday 05/09/2010
Judge: Joy Bradley

Japanese Akita Club show to be held in conjunction with Birmingham City Championship show
Sunday 05/09/2010
Judge: Dave Chapman

Darlington Dog Show Society
18/09/2010

South Wales Kennel Association
09/10/2010

British Utility Breeds Association
04/12/2010

Club Website

www.japaneseakita-inu.co.uk

If you have any news or information about the Japanese Akita Inu that you would like to share with other members please send them to:
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Please note that not all articles received can be published.

Crufts 2010.

Crufts has been and gone for another year and it was great to see the interest and support from everyone around the showing. With the sun streaming through the windows, Tina Thomas had a good entry of 18 dogs to judge, and whilst it was mid-afternoon by the time judging commenced, this didn't seem to affect either dogs or handlers and all seemed to enjoy their time in the ring.

The breed stand in the Discover Dogs area was very busy over the four days. Lots of interest from the public regarding the Hatchiko movie and regarding the breed in general. The dogs were all great ambassadors for the breed and seemed to enjoy their day in the spotlight. The club would like to express their sincere thanks to the handlers and dogs who manned the stand over the 4 days.

Congratulations to all those class winners, and special congratulations to Unsyuhime Shun'you Kensha Tsoyu who got to strut her stuff in the big ring in the group judging that evening. Full results and comments from Tina Thomas are shown below.

'Thank you to all the exhibits for entering, especially all those that travelled from Europe. I only had one absentee. It is good to see the breed improving in general and temperaments on the whole were good. Movement on the whole needs to improve but I was pleased with my major placings'. Tina Thomas

Results



**Best Male
World/SP/Port CH
Unshou Go Shun'you
Kensha**



**Best of Breed and
Best Female:
Unsyuhime Shun'you
Kensha Tsoyu**



**Best Puppy:
Tsoyu Amatsu Kami**

Results:

Open Dog

1st World/Sp/Port Ch Unshou Go Shun'you
Kensha
2nd Ir Ch Tycon's Macho Man
3rd Kaidou Go Shirai at Wendbarry
Res Int Ch Nikkiryou delle Bianche Vallate
VGC Kyokojitsu Jiro Go
Post Graduate Dog

1st No Taru Go
2nd Daichi Kanon
Special Junior Dog

1st Tsoyu Amatsu Kami
2nd Shugotenshino Okibi Go
Good Citizen Dog Scheme Dog

1st Daichi Kanon

Open Bitch

1st Unsyuhime Shun'you Kensha
2nd Kita Go Dell'Antico Oriente Tsoyu
3rd Ir Ch Tycon the Temptress

Post Graduate Bitch

1st Libertia Perdita at Wendbarry
2nd Tsoyu Aama
Special Junior Bitch

1st Tsoyu Amaya
2nd Tsoyu Ayame
Good Citizen Dog Scheme Bitch

1st Tsoyu Aama

Akita Cup Italy 2010.

The SAKI technical show held 15th May attracted an entry of 82 dogs. The show was judged by Anjelika Kammerscheid-Lammers and her principal winners were; Best of Breed the male, Byryuu Go Mhakuryouu Sou owned by Patrice Zeller. Best Opposite Sex; the female from the Open class, C'Nanae Go of Kamino Ken owned by Virgini Mauro. Best junior in show was the new import female, Senkari Go Shun'You Kensha.

Sunday was Akita Cup day. Mr Matsunaga Juichi judged males and Mr Takahashi Shusaku females. From a total entry of 101 dogs for this year's event the Best Male was Mugen Go Awa Kuroiwasou, owned by the Dell Bianche Valatte kennel as selected by Mr Juichi. C'Nanae Go of Kamino Ken owned by Virgini Mauro was selected as Best Female by Mr Shusaku. Akita Cup winner was Mugen Go Awa Kuroiwasou – he is a very impressive male with phenomenal coat colour.

You can see complete results and pictures of both events at www.akitacup.com. We were delighted to have all our dogs assessed as "excellent" by these very experienced judges and Senkari was 3rd in Yoken class; Kita and Jeema were placed 3rd and 4th in the Seiken class thus flying the flag for UK dogs.

15.05.2010: Best of Breed, Best Male and Best Female: SAKI



Best Male
Byryuu Go Mhakuryouu Sou



Best of Breed and Best Female:
C'Nanae Go of Kamino Ken

16.05.2010: Akita Cup winner, Best Male and Best Female



Akita Cup Winner And Best Male
Mugen Go Awa Kuroiwasou



Best Female:
C'Nanae Go of Kamino Ken

Breed Standard Update

The main topic of discussion at last year's JAIC AGM was about agreeing suggested wording for submission to the KC to improve the interim breed standard. The final version gained unanimous approval from those present and was subsequently submitted to the KC for consideration. We have huge pleasure in reporting back that at a meeting in January this year of the KC Breed Standards working sub committee a large proportion of the suggested amendments, agreed by members, was given final approval for incorporating into the latest version of the Breed standard.

This is a major success story for the power of membership unity in a breed club - especially a club as young as ours! Congratulations to you all for making your voice heard and your opinion count. The revised standard can be seen on the Kennel Club website at: <http://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/item/162>

Japanese Akita-Inu Club Annual General Meeting

25 April 2010 saw the club's AGM in Alfreton. There was a very low turnout which was disappointing as it's the main opportunity each year for the members to be able to put forward their comments and views and guide the direction of the club. However, the meeting went ahead as planned and the matters arising from the 2009 AGM were discussed and good progress was made.

All of the nominated committee members were re-elected. The feedback from the Kennel Club regarding the changes to the Breed Standard was relayed to the meeting and the committee expressed their thanks to the club members for their input. The club will be putting on an Open Breed Show on 5th September 2010 and a Judging Seminar will be held on 6th November 2010. These are the main events to be held by the club in 2010. In addition to this, and together with the Kennel Club, further work regarding monitoring the health of the breed will be a focus in the coming year.

Report from Dortmund Bundessieger

by Irene Hasell

Well who would have believed it, dreams do come true and mine came with an invitation to judge at the Bundessieger Ausstellung 2009. Judging Akita (Japanese Akita Inu) and American Akita (Akita) confusing or what.

We arrived at Dusseldorf Airport on Friday 16th Oct. 1 ½ hours late but there was Sonja Rademacher, secretary of the Akita Club in Germany and her daughter Louisa, who was to be my secretary. For the show we, being Barry (not very often seen at shows, husband) and myself, were driven to the Park Hotel Dortmund right by the show complex. Met and had dinner with Angelika Kammersheid (our host for the weekend), Sonja and Louisa.

Up very early for breakfast and over to the halls for judges briefing and then down to our hall to start at 09:00 sharp with the Akitas. I had a very good entry of 25 with just a couple of absentees. Overall I thought the standard was very good but on the whole the brindles were better than the red/whites. This did surprise me, but some of the temperaments do need to improve.

Best dog was a brindle:- Fuuma Go Akita Inu of Cacic.

Best bitch and BOB:- Ninigo-No-Mikoto Sayako-Go a red/white with the most fabulous attitude to life and people and other dogs, and what's more, a super tpy Akita.

In the Americans I found, as in the U.K. a mixed bunch but my top winners were really great and a hard decision to make between the dog and bitch.

Best Bitch, Melodor Queen Mab was in very good order and pressed the dog: DemBe's King of the Ring very hard but he took top honours on his overall condition. Both had wonderful temperaments and super soundness.

My best Veteran, also an American Akita Redwitch Lamech Date to Dance was declared best Veteran of the day.

My best American Akita King of the Ring just made my day by taking Group 5. I was later introduced to the Group 5 judge, Hans Wiblishauser, at the banquet and was congratulated on sending through such a great dog, he also liked my Akita B.O.B and thought she was of very good quality. Unfortunately not all can win the group.

At the banquet we had the enormous pleasure of seeing Angelika, our host, being awarded the Baron von Gingis Gedachtnismedaille for her work and devotion to the Akitas (both types). She is also very excited at being invited to judge in Japan in April. Such an honour for a foreigner to be asked to judge in the country of origin of your breed.

News from Members

ALEXANDER (Taro)

They called me Alexander
What a stupid name
For a proud Akita Inu
Of Oriental fame.

So why then Alexander?
Was it just a joke
To give to me the royal name
As of a Russian bloke?

I am a handsome puppy
With beautiful colour
And my 'urajiro'
Is so correct for sure.

So why then Alexander
Is it because he is
A famous Russian meerkat
Who's seen on our TVs?

They say that I look like him
When staring in my face
Me! A Russian Meerkat!
It is a sure disgrace

For I am only baby now
And when I grow to man
I'll be the best Akita
That a best Akita can

And they will see the reason
That I am quite wound up
Because the Russian Meerkat
Couldn't win a golden cup

Where I could be a winner
In Akita Inu classes
And he just sells car insurance
To the driving masses

So, now my name is Taro
And I have made my mark
Instead of saying 'simples'
I just merely bark!

New Arrivals

The Japanese Akita-Inu club would like to welcome the following dogs, we hope to see you all out and about very soon.



Name Taiyoku-go Shun'You Kensha

Owner: Maureen Thompson and Pete Chapman
Sire: Kenshin Go Kouyazan Miyauchi (Jap Import)
Dam: Tetsuhime Go Shun You Kensha

Yokuis currently completing his pet passport in The Netherlands where he will also be shown.



Name and DoB: Anshee Tokaloshi 21.03.2010

Owner: Katherine Huggins
Sire: Cash on the Nose
Dam: Dei Laghi Taily Zanghez No Higashi

Tokaloshi will be training for obedience, agility and cani-cross as well as hopefully a show career.

Members News

The Japanese Akita Inu Club would like to extend congratulations to the following members for their recent successes:

Teasel (Tsoy Asama) has achieved her Silver Good Citizen certificate with Sue Buckley.

Oakie (Daichi Kanon) has achieved his Gold Good Citizen certificate with Matthew Buckley.

Kiko (Akakuro No Akiko-Go) won a 4th place in the Dog class at the 10km Merrell TuffMan race in Kent together with canine partner Inja (Lyfame Dieter) and human runner Kate Huggins. She's also been racing regularly with Quintin Potgieter in the 5km Canix races and achieved 5th and 6th places.

Meg (Akakuro Megami Go) won a 1st place in the 2 dog Canix race with Inja and Kate Huggins at Bedgebury Pines in February.

Dates for the Diary

Japanese Akita-Inu Club Show

05 September 2010

Judge: Dave Chapman

The 2010 Japanese Akita-Inu Show is being held in conjunction with the City of Birmingham Championship Show. This provides exhibitors and spectators the opportunity to attend 2 shows on the same day at the same venue, Stoneleigh Park in Warwickshire. Judge information and schedules will be available closer to the time.

Judging Seminar

06 November 2010

Following on from the success of previous Judging Seminars the next date is being planned for November 2010. This will be at a venue in the north of the country to attract new interest from this area. More details will follow closer to the time and places are on a first come basis and limited to a maximum of 15 candidates. If you wish to be considered for a place please contact Maureen Thompson on email: kitadodogs@aol.com or telephone 0115 9637962.