



The Pod Post

Newsletter of the Portuguese Podengo Club of Great Britain.

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Welcome to the latest newsletter. We've lots of show news this time, notably the results from the Club's annual show, and some other updates including news about our website.



Annual show

Many of you will have heard that our good friend and Club Committee member Nigel Folds (left, with his beloved Molly) sadly passed away at the end of last year. In memory of Nigel, Gerry Eyles has very kindly donated and engraved a trophy that will in future be given to our Best in Show winner. This year, the show was held on the 4th May in Wantage and attracted entries from all over the country. Unlike at Championship shows, where smooth and wire coated dogs are judged together, we were able to have classes specifically for the smooths.

Congratulations to Jenny Wedge with Stormwitch Macadamia at Riocajen (Best in Show) and to Eileen Segui with Stormwitch Heirs and Graces at Arranbourne (Reserve BiS). Jenny takes home the inaugural Nigel Folds Memorial Trophy. Our thanks go to the judge Viv Phillips, the members who helped to organise and run the day and of course to everyone who came along to compete or spectate. Pictured below is Viv Philips just about to present the trophy to Jenny and Mac.



First and second by class:

PUPPY DOG

1. WEDGE & PEARSON'S STORMWITCH HEART AND SOUL AT NASHNALL
2. FOSCOE'S PASTEL DE BACALHAU DE VIAMONTE

JUNIOR DOG

1. GREEN'S PLUSHCOURT BACARRAT
2. FRISTEDT'S MUSLI O'BOY

POST GRADUATE DOG

1. HAINES' PLUSHCOURT THE CRUSADER

LIMIT DOG

1. WEDGE'S STORMWICH MACADAMIA AT RIOCCAJEN
2. HAINES' PLUSHCOURT BEACON OF LIGHT

SPECIAL SMOOTH YEARLING DOG

1. PLUSHCOURT THE CRUSADER
2. MOSLI O'BOY

SPECIAL SMOOTH OPEN DOG

1. SEGUI'S ARRANBOURNE FAUSTINO

PUPPY BITCH

1. SEGUI'S STORMWICH HIERS AND GRACES AT ARRANBOURNE
2. EYLES' PLUSHCOURT BORN TO BEWICH FOR HUNVIZ

POST GRADUATE BITCH

1. FOSCOE'S PLUSHCOURT GABBLE

LIMIT BITCH

1. STARTUP 'S PLUSHCOURT GILDED
2. FOSCOE'S STORMWICH ETERNAL FLAME

OPEN BITCH

1. STARTUP'S PLUSHCOURT GIFT WRAPPED
2. FOLDS' PLUSHCOURT HIGHLIGHTS JAFLINGS

VETERAN BITCH

1. STARTUPS PLUSHCOURT GIFT WRPPED
2. FOLD'S JAFLINGS MANHA MAGICA

SPECIAL SMOOTH OPEN BITCH

1. STARTUP'S PLUSHCOURT GILDED

**BEST IN SHOW: STORMWICH MACADAMIA AT RIOCCAJEN
RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST PUPPY AND BEST OPPOSITE IN SHOW:
STORMWICH HEIRS & GRACES AT ARRANBOURNE**

Fancy showing?

If you're new to PodWorld or unsure about whether you want to show, the Club show is a great introduction. Although the technical terms and the etiquette of judging can appear complicated, it's actually very straightforward and easy to pick up. Plus, we're a friendly group and there's always plenty of help and advice for novices.

Next year's show is in Wantage on 2nd May 2020 so why not pencil it into your diary?

If you can't wait until then to get started, look at the show calendar on the web site, come along to one and discover what it's all about.

Committee news

Here's the latest update on the club's officers and committee members:

Chair: Mrs. Pat Johnson
Vice Chair: Mr. Gerry Eyles
Hon. Sec'y: Mrs. Betty Eyles secretary@podengos.org
Treasurer: Mr. Gerry Eyles treasurer@podengos.org
Committee: Mrs. Karen Baylis, Miss Rebecca Finnegan (co-opted), Mrs. Jennifer Folds, Mrs. Ann Foscoe (co-opted), Mr. Mark Foscoe (co-opted), Mrs. Betty Judge, Miss Jenny Startup

"JESS" - Plushcourt Lirio, by Betty Eyles

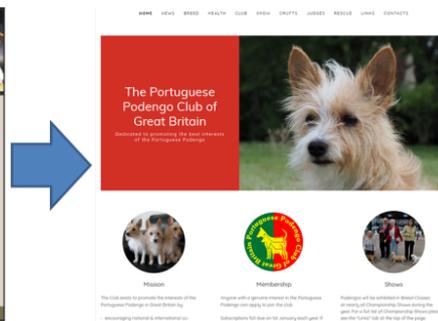
THE BEST AMBASSADOR THE BREED WILL EVER HAVE AND THE MOST PHOTOGRAPHED IN THE U.K.

Jenny and the late Nigel Folds brought Jess in 2005 and had to let her go this year aged 14 years.

In 2008 the breed was invited to have a booth at Discover Dogs at both Earls Court and Crufts. She also went to the London Pet Show, Jess was not a show dog and not a happy Pod if put in the pen, but she came into her own in Nigel's arms being passed to anybody who wished to have a Pod cuddle at this she was brilliant she would just lay in their arm and look up them with her lovely brown eyes, and yes the cameras and phones would click.

At one time I sat for an hour and counted she was in some ones arms or on their laps if they were in a wheel chair not bothered if it was a child or adult at least 14 times, and she did this for about 7 hours just lapping it up and never wriggled, and would have done it longer if Jenny had not taken her and put her in the cage for 10 minutes or so, that as long as she would stay there, She will be sadly missed by all who knew her, and the people who asked about her at Discover Dogs in London this year. She was an absolutely super little star for our breed.

Web news



Our web site has had a makeover. The old site was getting very difficult to operate so when the web hosting service told us that it would no longer be supported (the software is now obsolete) we promptly took the opportunity to give it a complete refresh. It's got a new, more modern look and feel

to it but still has all the information that people look for. We plan to update it more regularly and publish more up-to-date news for members, too.

The old site is still on the web but will disappear in due course. In the meantime, please delete any bookmarks you have and instead go to <https://podengos.org> and bookmark the new version. Then keep checking back – it'll be updated more frequently now. If you have any news items, please contact webmaster@podengos.org

News from the shows

With our new website up and running, we regularly publish results and photos from shows. Visit our news page to see what's been happening: <https://podengos.org/news> So far this year, the overall results are:

- Top breeder:** 1. Stormwitch (Diana Curtis) 2. Plushcourt (Betty Judge)
- Top Podengo:** NL/GER/BEL CH STORMWITCH CARROUSEL TULPE WW'18 (MRS D CURTIS)
- Top Puppy:** PLUSHCOURT BORN TO BEWICH FOR HUNVIZ (MRS B & MR G E EYLES)
- Top Stud:** NL/DEU/BEL/INT.Ch Zoran do Vale do Juiz WW'11 (Jacqueline Claessens)
- Top Brood Bitch:** NL/INT Ch. ARRANBOURNE DELICIA AT STORMWITCH WW'12/WJW'11 (Mrs. D Curtis)



The next major show is the Ladies Kennel Association show at the NEC on December 14th – we hope to see as many of you there as possible. The last big show was Midland Counties: well done Norma Watts and Caldermist Carina, who made one of her rare appearances with Angela Pedder handling her and knocked it out of the ring by taking Best of Breed. Well done, too, to Ann Foscoe's Luis who took his first BD. Ann and Angela are pictured with the winning dogs and the judge, Jenny Startup.

And finally, winter is coming so be watchful for winter salt on pavements. It can burn your dog's pads and can be toxic, so wipe your dog's paws – you don't want him or her licking it off. And do keep those walks up: although dogs may need an extra layer in winter, make sure it comes from a coat and not a layer of fat! Stay active...