

HEALTH REPORT 2010

First the unhappy news that very unfortunately we have two new fitters Bunnahabhain Ransom and Kingstree Rowena. Everyone involved is currently working very hard towards getting blood samples sent to the scientists in the US, to be run through new more sophisticated chips, alongside the 3 new fitters they have had in there this year, in the hope that this may reveal more information than we have gained to date, leading eventually to a DNA test for carriers of this disorder.

Uisaneach Absolute Joker has sired 2 hounds with Multifocal Retinal Dysplasia, this may be an inherited disorder but can also be caused by a virus infection (particularly canine herpes virus) while the pups are in the womb. It is hoped that Joker can be eye tested at the earliest possible date and the results be made known, as if it does prove to be hereditary then we will have to look seriously at having all breeding hounds eye tested.

The analysis of the World Health Survey is complete and the whole of the final report (approximately 40 pages) is with David Lindley for printing and binding into a booklet for distribution to the Members. If you would like me to email the report to you please do not hesitate to get in touch (jeashworth@btinternet.com) this will save the Club some money on printing and distribution. Our thanks must go to Jeff Sampson for obtaining Kennel Club support for this project for the world of Otterhounds and also for bringing on board Vicki Adams and Katy Evans of the Animal Health Trust. Many long hours of work have been involved in creating the Questionnaire, organising the distribution world wide and finally in the analysis and reporting, so a big thank you to everyone who played their part in this unique project. Katy is happy to answer any questions you may have about the Report, so please read and study it carefully and let me have any questions that I can put through to Katy, who I hope some of you met with Vicki at the Fun Day, or may have met at Crufts this year.

Beate Fandler from Germany wrote giving me full details of her A- Litter (PCOH Hannibal x Houndville Ariel) 9 puppies 4 female/5 male. 2 male puppies are not entire, also one of the puppies has got an serious illness. It's a dog puppy called "Abraxas". At the age of 41/2 months he began to limp on the left hindleg. Because he had an accident the day before, where he hit a fence with his back very roughly while playing with other dogs, the vet thought the haematoma at his spine causes him trouble. But when the haematoma was gone, the puppy was still limping. The vet does an X-ray, but without result. Than a MR-tomography was made and this detected a tumor at the 5. lumbar vertebra. In an operation (in November) as much as possible of the tumor was taken out but the vets doesn't think it was 100%. The diagnosis of the tumor is " spinal nephroblastom " a very rare kind of tumor and they do not consider it to be herediary. Abraxas is well at the moment (not limping) but he will get a ray treatment in near future. This treatment is extremely expensive and Beate wonders whether the Otterhound Club could make a small contribution to help his owners towards the costs to show our concern for a young hound who is bred by members of the Club.

Her B-Litter (PCOH Douglas x PCOH Fuchsia) 5 puppies 1 female / 4 males. One of the male puppies (Bilbo) has got an overshot mouth and one has a food allergy but otherwise they are all well.

Registration numbers have improved this year to 57 so hopefully we can maintain that level and start to build on it.

We have just received Hannes Lohi's final report on the Gene Mapping of the Otterhound for epilepsy and this is attached to this report. He makes it clear that there is still a great deal of work to do to establish the gene/genes responsible for epilepsy in Otterhounds, but he does ask us to collect blood samples from our older epilepsy free hounds for use as additional controls. He also mentions at the end of his report the recent availability of newer much more sophisticated chips and that Otterhounds could be run through these chips for the sum of 10,000 euro.

| 2009 | Hip Scores | | Elbow Scores | |
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| Bunnahabhain Ramsay | R50 | L50 | Total 100 | 2 |
| Bunnahabhain Ricochet | R7 | L4 | Total 11 | 2 |
| Bunnahabhain Ruthven | R35 | L34 | Total 69 | 2 |
| Houndville Basil | R13 | L12 | Total 25 | 0 |
| Keepcott Discovery | R5 | L8 | Total 13 | 0 |
| Magic v.d. Kweb ex Kingstree | R37 | L36 | Total 73 | 0 |
| Medler v.d. Kweb | R29 | L30 | Total 59 | 1 |
| PCOH Hannibal | R34 | L36 | Total 70 | 0 |
| PCOH Henley at Keepcott | R48 | L52 | Total 100 | 0 |
| Teckelgarth Xanthic | R23 | L23 | Total 46 | 0 |
| Uisneach Brave Ballerina at Ottaryx | R33 | L42 | Total 75 | 0 |
| Wildan Joyful at Ottaryx | R51 | L51 | Total 102 | 3 |

OTTERHOUND - DECLARED FITTERS FROM ANY CAUSE

(in alphabetical order)

BALTHAZAR SORCERER Ottersdream Playboy of Balthazar ex Ottersdream Prudence of Balthazar

Siblings: Swashbuckler, Solomon, Sultan

Full Siblings later litters: Teaboy, Teddyboy at Cairo's, Tomboy, Topboy, Toyboy, Taffeta, Maestro, Magnum, Masquerade, Musketeer, Mimosa at Dineleas, Minuet at Cairo's, Mistletoe

BARILLA DESTINY Actaeon's P'Nash ex Boravin Dancer

BARILLA DECOROUS

Siblings: Barilla Dominant, Dynasty, Dance Away, Dauntless at Ladestar, Destiny, Dewdrop, Donna, Dutiful

BORAVIN DRAYMAN Boravin Ostler ex Actaeon's Promise

Siblings: Daggler, Dancer, Daylight

BLACKCAP OF TWINRIVERS Kentenes Razor ex Falconcrag Nutmeg of Nanhelen

Siblings: Blazor of Twinrivers, Blackberry, Bryony at Teckelgarth Kingstree Belmont, Barley, Bilbery of Carlbay, Bluebell, Bramble

Full Siblings earlier litter: Annan Kingstree, Acorn, Allspice, Angler of Twinrivers, Amethyst of Drakesleat, Aniseed, Wise of Nanhelen, Amber of Nanhelen

BORAVIN GALA Boravin Yankee ex Boravin Easter

Siblings: Gaoler, Goshawk, Galaxy, Gossamer, Graceful, Greybird

BORAVIN PLAINSMAN Dumfriesshire Clansman ex Kendal Pastime

Siblings: Peeler, Plover, Puffin

Full Siblings from an earlier litter: Kendal Tempest, Kendal Testa

BORAVIN QUINTAIN Dumfriesshire Tracker ex Boravin Oakleaf

Siblings: Quantock, Quarryman, Queensbury, Queller, Quail, Quaintly, Quarley, Quaver, Quicksilver, Quillet

BORAVIN UMPIRE Boravin Ostler ex Vison Treasure

Siblings: Urchin, Unity, Useful

BORAVIN VANNER Dumfriesshire Cypher at Trevereux ex Boravin Nutshell

BORAVIN VANITY

Siblings: Valesman, Vanguard, Verderer, Villager at Teckelgarth, Vivid, Vixen, Viva of Trevereux

BUNNAHABHAIN RANSOM PCOH Donald Bunnahabhain ex Bunnahabhain Liberty

Siblings: Ramsay, Ranger, Ricochet, Rafferty, Rangle, Ruthven

CAIRO'S DUMBLEDORE Lutrakai Maskell ex Balthazar Minuet at Cairo's

CAIRO'S GRYFFINDOR FOR SPINNOTTA

CAIRO'S HOGWARTS XPRESS

Siblings: Arry Otta, Padfoot, Hufflepuff, Madam Pomfrey, Ravenclaw

CULMSTOCK WATCHMAN Boravin Woodman ex Songstress Songbird

Siblings: Wader, Wellington, Wizard, Saucy, Seagull, Sunset, Seaweed of Cilgwri

DUMPDON SCANDAL Sothic Sailor ex Boravin Echo

HALSDON SANDPIPER

LOVERSPIT SHOWMAN

WINDGATE SONNET OF CILGWRI

Siblings: Beacon Sinbad, Dumpdon Scandal, Hensemoor Stormer

KINGSTREE CLUDEN Boravin Peeler ex Acorn Kingstree

KINGSTREE CHESTNUT OF MAYCUP

Siblings: Chieftain, Craftsman, Cedar, Classic, Clover, Credit

KINGSTREE FOREMAN AT CAVANERO Otterbobs Orbit with Kingstree ex Actaeon's Precocious with Kingstree

Siblings: Ferryman, Fisherman, Footman, Freesia at Cairo's

KINGSTREE HULOFF Kingstree Governor ex Kingstree Dewdrop

Siblings: Hannibal, Highlander, Hoddom, Hussar, Hazel, Heather, Holly

KINGSTREE KENTUCKY Am. Ch. Scentasia's Doonesbury ex Am. Ch. Aberdeen's English Ivy

Siblings: California, Michigan, Nevada, Texas, Connecticut, Indiana, Minnesota

KINGSTREE ROWENA Teckelgarth Damacles ex Kingstree Nutmeg

Siblings: Rugger, River, Reiver, Rebel, Rascal, Rapid, Rambler at Ottaryx, Russet

OTTERS DREAM PAVLOVA Ottersdream Pedro ex Lyonesse Columbine

Siblings: Pippicorn, Poet, Protégé, Prelude of Crosswinds, Parthan, Perfection of Dinaleas

OTTERSDDREAM PHANERA Ottersdream Protégé ex Ottersdream Phloozie

Siblings: Potiphar, Pandemonium, Pandia, Pavalla, Pendle, Preponsa, Prote, Pinup at Keepcott, Pizzazz of Crosswinds, Primadonna of Crosswinds

SAFRANIN SAFFRON Boravin Verderer ex Boravin Silverleaf

Siblings: Sandpiper Tussock, Slipstream Bullrush, Sothic Sailor, Vansitart Magnum, Viking Warrior, Songstress Songbird, Venus Venusian

SHREENWATER CAPRICE Hazzard at Otterbobs ex Boravin Frolic

SHREENWATER CALAMITY with Clunebrae

Siblings: Chancer, Caprice, Careful, Caution, Cautious, Chaotic

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